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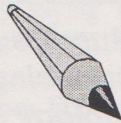
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From the Editor:



I would like to express a special thanks to *UFO ENCOUNTERS'* readers who have supplied us with all kinds of news tips in the form of newspaper clippings, letters, faxes and videotapes. On more than one occasion our subscribers have directed us to new cases. Keep up the good work! Even though our research team has developed an extensive network, the world is still a very large place, and we strive to deliver the latest info on this ever-changing phenomenon. So we would like readers to continue forwarding anything they feel is newsworthy. It will be much appreciated!

Here at the office we have received many letters from *U.E.* readers. And although I personally read each and every one, responding immediately is sometimes difficult because of our continuous research. However, please continue to write. I want to know what readers are thinking. Do you enjoy certain articles but dislike others? Would you like to see more coverage on one topic but less on another? Your opinions matter!

In addition, we plan on publishing a number of letters to the editor in our future issues. So get those pens ready!

By the way, I would like to briefly mention the recent story about a branch of the NASA SETI (HRMS) project picking up 164 unknown radio signals. Unfortunately, there is nothing to celebrate just yet. The signals that were received are believed to be interference from unknown, but earthly emissions. There are thousands of frequencies that have not yet been programmed into NASA's extremely large data base of interference signals. NASA

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HBO Plans New Film on Roswell Crash

New Witnesses to Alien Bodies Emerge

by Michael Norris

HBO is presently in the casting stage for a new movie that will appear on the cable station sometime by the end of this year. The movie will be a dramatization of *UFO Crash at Roswell*, a 1991 book written by Kevin Randle and Donald Schmitt. The film's release will occur simultaneously with that of a new book by the two authors, which promises to rewrite what happened on an extraordinary day in July 1947 near Roswell, New Mexico.

After learning of HBO's plans, I called Don Schmitt for the inside info and the latest on their continuing investigation into the most important event of our century--the crash of a craft from another world and the recovery of alien bodies. Before I cover my discussion and interview with Schmitt, I would like to briefly discuss the history of UFO crashes.

UFO Crash Reports

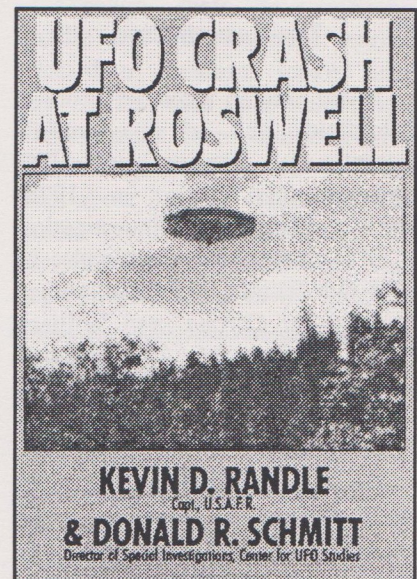
The first stories about flying saucer crashes unfortunately were hoaxes. The *Nebraska Nugget*, in 1884, wrote about a blazing object that plunged to the Earth spreading "fragments of cogwheels and other pieces of machinery . . . and glowing with heat so intense as to scorch the grass for a long distance around each fragment and make it impossible for one to approach it."

The crash was reportedly witnessed by a few Dundy County cowboys, and the object was

supposedly so bright that it blinded one of the witnesses. Well, it was later learned that the incident was a fanciful hoax, which made interesting reading for the *Nugget's* readers, and perhaps sold a few extra papers as well.

More Hoaxes

Frank Scully, author of the 1950 book *Behind the Flying Saucers*, wrote about crashes of Venusian spacecraft in New Mexico and Arizona. Two years later, it was learned that Scully's informants were nothing more than professional con artists. These and other spoofs left a bad taste in the mouth of principal UFO organizations of that time, such as the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomenon (NICAP), the Aerial



Phenomena Research Organization (APRO), and the Civilian Saucer Intelligence. These organizations dismissed most of the crashed saucer stories, desiring not to be embarrassed victims of hoaxers.

The early UFO organizations felt the U.S. Government was covering up information about UFOs, but they never felt the government had actually recovered any of them. Perhaps if their attitudes were different, ufologists would have suspected sooner that our government possibly had at least one UFO in its possession.

Fictitious Claims?

Rumors began surfacing in early ufology that Wright-Patterson A.F.B., Ohio, was where flying saucer remains and *gray-skinned humanoid beings* were being studied by scientists. The whole matter was rumored to be highly classified because of fears of public panic, and to keep the Soviets from realizing that the U.S. had access to alien technology.

Again, these were only rumors, almost impossible to verify, and serious ufologists continued to dismiss them.

The Roswell Case

It was veteran ufologist Leonard Stringfield, one of the world's present day experts on UFO crash/retrievals, who, in 1978, began to push for the investigation of UFO crash stories. It was also in 1978 that Stanton Friedman, author of *Crash at Corona*, and William Moore, author of *The Roswell Incident*, got together to discuss an event that took place in early July 1947.

On July 8, 1947, the *Roswell Daily Record*, a small paper in Roswell, New Mexico, printed a story headlined, "RAAF Captures

Flying Saucer On Ranch in Roswell Region." The story broke like wild fire. Calls flooded into the area from around the world. However, the next day, the same paper ran a story announcing that officials from Roswell Army Air Field were mistaken; the debris recovered from a desert ranch was nothing more than a crashed weather balloon. After being shown debris from a weather balloon rather than from the actual wreckage, the reporters were convinced, and so ended the story . . . at least for a while!

Friedman and Moore decided to begin investigating the incident, and discovered enough evidence to strongly suggest that it was not a weather balloon but an actual extraterrestrial craft which crashed on that day. The two also learned that the military organized a retrieval operation, reprimanded local officials for their press release, and created a cover-up story involving a weather balloon to kill interest. The plans for a cover-up originated from high ranking officials at the Pentagon.

An illustration of the extent of cover-up can be seen in one story Friedman looked into. Linda Sleepy, a teletype operator at the KOAT radio station in Albuquerque, received a telephone call on July 7, 1947 from Johnny McBoyle, a reporter at sister station KSWs in Roswell. KSWs had no teletype of their own, so they used KOAT's whenever they wanted something to get out.

McBoyle excitedly told Sleepy

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that a genuine flying saucer crashed near Roswell, and that the Army was presently picking it up. He claimed that he had seen the object himself, and described it as looking like a "big crumbled dishpan." McBoyle also said that the Army personnel were talking about "little men" that were found with the craft. McBoyle asked Sleepy to begin putting the story immediately on the teletype.

As McBoyle began dictating the story, Sleepy typed. A few sentences later, the teletype stopped. Thinking there was a mechanical problem, Sleepy explained to McBoyle what happened. However, McBoyle was distracted and Sleepy could hear him talking to someone else. In a strained voice McBoyle said, "Wait a minute. I'll get back to you." Immediately the teletype began again, this time it said: "ATTENTION ALBUQUERQUE: DO NOT TRANSMIT. REPEAT DO NOT TRANSMIT THIS MESSAGE. STOP COMMUNICATION IMMEDIATELY."

Now amazed, Sleepy told McBoyle what she was reading.

Roswell Daily Record

RECORD PHONES
Business Office 2268
News Department
2267

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO, TUESDAY, JULY 8, 1947

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RAAF Captures Flying Saucer
On Ranch in Roswell Region

Claims Army Is Stacking Courts Martial
Indians Senator Lays Protest Before Patterson

House Passes Tax Slash by Large Margin

Security Council Paves Way to Talks On Arms Reductions

No Details of Flying Disk Are Revealed

Ex-King Carol Weds Mme. Lupescu

12 1947

McBoyle answered by saying she could forget everything he told her; she wasn't supposed to know what he had said. Later, when Friedman asked McBoyle about the incident, McBoyle was quoted as saying, "Forget about it . . . It never happened."

Eventually, Friedman and Moore gathered about 100 informants involved with the case, and they pieced together a fascinating tale. Each man later co-wrote his own book about the investigations.

In 1988, the J. Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies (CUFOS) decided to conduct its own separate investigation into the Roswell incident, spearheaded by Kevin Randle and Don Schmitt. Randle is a former Air Force intelligence officer, and Schmitt is the Director of Special Investigations for CU-FOS. They were able to turn up

of Roswell, New Mexico.

On the following day, Brazel discovered a large amount of debris in a remote pasture. The debris was scattered over a 3/4 mile area, and there was a gouge in the ground 200 to 300 feet wide and some 500 feet long. There appeared to be some sort of metal scattered about the crash site. It was very lightweight like balsa wood, but was much stronger. The metal was as thin as foil, but couldn't be cut or dented. There were also some I-beam shaped pieces with purplish geometric symbols on them. The language was unidentifiable to the witnesses. Brazel found one large circular piece of debris and stored it in his shed.

On July 6, Brazel drove to Roswell and reported his discovery to Sheriff Wilcox, who in turn

four alien bodies, for later that evening, a Sgt. Melvin Brown looked under a tarp on the back of a truck at the impact site and saw several alien-looking bodies. Also that evening, local mortician Glenn Dennis received several calls from the base about preserving tissue, and was asked about the smallest caskets that he had.

Dennis was told that there were three mortalities--two of which had badly mangled bodies, but the other was in good condition. Records show that there were no deaths at the Roswell Army Air Field during that time, and there were none at the base hospital either.

After the inquiries from military officials, Dennis drove to the base hospital out of curiosity, but was warned by a nurse friend of endangering himself by being present.

"My God, you are going to get yourself killed," the nurse told him.

He was then abruptly forced to leave by two military police, who grabbed him, lifted him off his feet, and carried him outside. Later, the nurse told Dennis privately why he was so rudely treated. The military, she told him, had recovered from the desert the remains of bodies that were not human!

Through their investigations, Randle and Schmitt have learned what these creatures looked like. The bodies were non-human, and were smaller than adults in size. They weighed about 40 lbs. and were about 3 1/2 to 4 feet tall. The hands had four fingers with no apparent thumb. Heads were very large in proportion to the bodies--

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more informants than had previous investigations, and disagreed with some of the information from the Friedman/Moore research. Their results were later published in a book, the basis for the upcoming HBO movie.

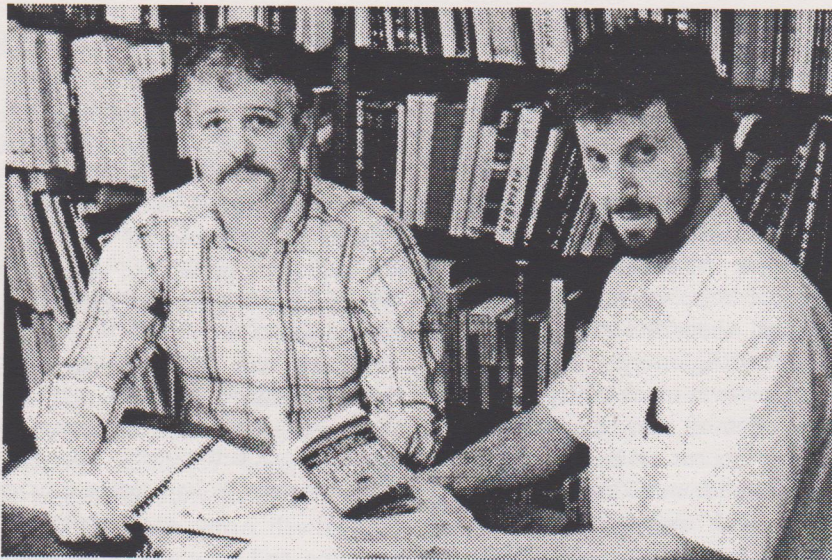
Information From The Case

Despite some differences, all investigating parties agree that a craft not of this world crashed, there was a military retrieval of debris (followed by a cover-up story), and alien bodies were discovered. With all this in mind, we can briefly summarize the Roswell case as follows:

On the evening of July 2, 1947, Mac Brazel and others heard a loud explosion near his home northwest

notified the Roswell Army Air Field. Officials from the Roswell base examined the crash debris at the site, along with the piece in Brazel's shed.

On July 8, Roswell Base Commander Col. William H. Blanchard, dictated a press release to Public Information Officer Walter Haut that a flying disk had been recovered. Meanwhile, military officials began flying out the debris, and guards were posted on the access roads to the debris field to turn away visitors. That same day the *Roswell Daily Record* printed the "RAAF Captures Flying Saucer" story. The military at that point was flying over and searching the area. At some time during these early events, the military discovered



Kevin Randle (left) and Donald Schmitt. Photo: *The Roswell Report*, CUFOS

larger than human's--and were bald. Their eyes were large with a concave shape. In fact, the nose, ears and eyes were all slightly concave. They had a slit for a mouth, an indistinct nose, and small openings on the side of their heads for ears. The bodies were pinkish gray in color, and overall, the skull and bones were very fragile.

An interesting feature of the bodies were the arms. The bones from the shoulder to the elbows were shorter than the bones from the elbow to the wrist. Allegedly, the bodies were frozen and flown to Wright Field, which is today Wright-Patterson AFB.

This case, along with the tremendous amount of witness testimony surrounding it, surely represents one of the most important events in man's history. If all is disclosed (the craft and the bodies) by our government, it would represent solid evidence for the existence of other life in our universe.

It would curb the narrow-minded thinking among the NASA SETI folks that life is everywhere in the universe but just never comes here. It would also humble humanity. No

longer would we view ourselves as the highest forms of life in the universe. And, it would create a domino effect, revealing that the government has orchestrated large-scale cover-up programs on this subject, and perhaps countless others.

We may be able to learn more about our past, our future, and possibly our links and relationships to extraterrestrial lifeforms, when we fully know the truth. Many questions researchers have asked may be answered by those who we elected to rule over us, but who have lied and denied us the truth.

So this case represents a lot. And although for over 45 years the cover-up has been successful, it may not last, for the efforts of researchers such as the one we will introduce next are making a difference, and may turn things around for us all.

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Interview with Don Schmitt

After learning that HBO was going to do a movie based on the book *UFO Crash At Roswell*, I was elated about the idea. I immediately contacted Don Schmitt to find out more, and he had quite a lot to say.

Schmitt told me that HBO first approached him and Randle with the idea for a movie before their book was ever released. The co-producer for the project wanted to write his own script based solely on their information. The movie will be a dramatization of the Roswell event, based 100% on their book. Schmitt and Randle will be working as technical consultants for the film. Location for the shoot will be somewhere in the Southwest with the exact location still undetermined. HBO is striving to release the movie by the end of this year. At the moment, no filming has been done--they are "still in the process of casting." Schmitt was asked not to release any info on characters.

I asked Schmitt if the movie will portray any actual ufologists. He told me that so far all scripts submitted have included Kevin and Randle, played by actors. However, they asked to be taken out so as not to appear "too self-serving." HBO also offered Schmitt and Randle small appearances but they declined.

I switched the conversation to the recent movie "Fire In The Sky," and the harsh criticism it received from ufologist for fictionalizing the abduction events (See *U.E.* Vol. 1 #6). I asked Schmitt if he was worried that the HBO movie might suffer the same fate--criticism because the movie makers change the story to create mass appeal. Schmitt explained that they were very fortunate to have met numerous times with the co-producer, the director, and the writer for the movie to ensure that the story remained accurate. In going through

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the different drafts, Schmitt explained that there was a great deal of effort to stick to the original story.

The challenge was how to depict the events. Should they be described by retired military officers reminiscing about them, or should they be presented in a story set at the time of the incident? There were many different avenues to chose from, "but they always depicted the event itself almost entirely as we described it in our book," Schmitt explained. What HBO had to create was the dialogue, and even for this they consulted experts.

"What do you think about this line?" Schmitt said the producer would ask. "Would this person say this?" and so forth. "They kept very close contact with us," Schmitt explained.

As technical advisors, people are generally involved in the production, but are seldom allowed to have much input into the script, as have Randle and Schmitt. And to make sure everything is correct, HBO's legal department has been heavily involved in verifying the testimony of Randle and Schmitt's key witnesses.

I was curious to know what those involved with the production actually thought about the Roswell story.

"What's great about the entire production," Schmitt explained, "is that everyone from the producer, to the director, to the screenwriter, is 100% behind the Roswell case. . . . They really didn't know much about it until they read our book. Now they stand behind us."

To give me an example of the

commitment HBO has to the story, Schmitt read me a statement from Mr. Kopit, the screenwriter: "Randle and Schmitt's work is based on hard, extensive and rigorous journalism. *UFO Crash At Roswell*, a scrupulous examination of a purported government cover-up, is such a work. It makes a very serious charge. If proved true, *and I really think it is true*, what is being covered up is of major historical significance."

Latest Investigations And The New Book

Schmitt told me during our discussion that their investigation has uncovered a staggering 600 first-, second-, and third-hand witnesses to the events at Roswell. What is even more amazing is that they now have over a half-dozen living, first-hand witnesses to the alien bodies! And with their new book, "we will be including first-hand drawings--and certainly all first-hand testimony," Schmitt said. "Based on first-hand testimony, we will be rewriting much of what people's overall conception of what the Roswell case is. It isn't what most people have thought all these years. It won't be just an update. It is in fact a complete rewrite. I would say about 75% new information."

In Randle & Schmitt's first book, they were relying solely on second-hand witnesses to the alien bodies, such as "the Glenn Dennis story," Schmitt said, "even trying

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to tie in the Barney Barnett story, which we have thoroughly dismissed." That's not all they have dismissed from previous investigations. "As far as everything that we have been unable to uncover, the entire Plains of San Agustin story is nothing but a rumor," he said.

Schmitt hopes that the simultaneous releases of the movie and their book will motivate some of the remaining witnesses to come forward. Their previous book, which was released in paperback, brought

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in hundreds of letters with leads and information. Their future work will be published in a hardback edition, a more climactic ending to their years of investigation.

I asked Schmitt if he hoped to help initiate a congressional hearing on the Roswell events using the witnesses he and Randle have. He responded by saying that has been in the works for a couple of years, but because of the sensitive nature of the material, they were not ready to release all of their witnesses--not without more reassurance that the individuals won't be harassed into silence.

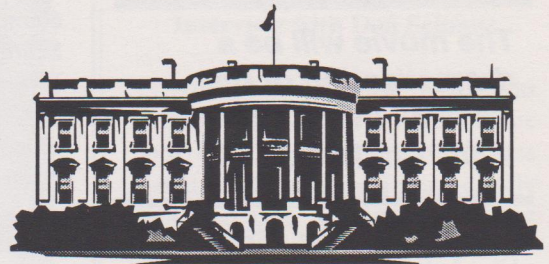
"Has there been any evidence at all," I inquired, "of any effort by any agency, government or civilian, to stumble you in your investigations, or keep you from getting your information out to the public?"

Schmitt answered, "Sadly, and as you mentioned earlier, Torme' [screenwriter for *Fire In The Sky*] ran into the same situation. Most of the roadblocks, most of the distractions, most of the harassment, if not

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END UFO SECRECY!

**CITIZENS GROUP PROTESTS UFO SECRECY
AT WHITE HOUSE.
CHARGES GOVERNMENT COVER-UP OF
EXTRATERRESTRIAL PRESENCE.**



Washington, DC -- The people have a right to know the truth about UFOs! That is the rallying cry of the organization Operation Right to Know (ORTK), which sponsored a White House demonstration on July 5, to protest the federal government's policy of withholding UFO information from the public.

The White House march and rally was set for Monday, July 5, 1993 (a federal holiday), 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Lafayette Park and the White House sidewalk.

Demonstration organizers have sent a letter to President Clinton requesting a meeting to discuss UFOs.

"We call upon President Clinton to tell the public the truth about UFOs," said Ed Komarek, an organizer with ORTK. "UFOs are real. They are extraterrestrial. And the President, the military and the intelligence agencies are fully aware of it. The Government is lying about UFOs, and we want the President to tell the American people the truth."

Simultaneous UFO protest demonstrations were also held on July 5, on Long Island, New York and in Rosario City, Argentina. The Long Island UFO Network, directed by Suffolk County, NY resident

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John Ford, held a rally at Suffolk County Police Headquarters in Hauppauge, NY to protest police harassment of UFO researchers on Long Island.

July 5 is the latest in a series of protests mounted by ORTK. On March 28, 1992, at the White House, the group sponsored the first UFO demonstration in history. On February 16, another protest was held at the home office of Florida Senator Bob Graham in Tallahassee, calling on the Senator to seek a Congressional investigation of the 1947 Roswell UFO crash.

"For years we in the UFO movement suspected a government cover-up," Komarek said, "but since publication of the Roswell case we are certain of it." Komarek was referring to recently published research on the recovery of a "flying saucer" by the US Army Air Force near Roswell, New Mexico in 1947.

UFO Crash at Roswell (Avon, 1991) by Kevin Randle and Don Schmitt, marks a major development in UFO research. The book represents five years of investigation by the co-authors and marshals the testimony of hundreds of persons who witnessed one phase or another of the retrieval operation. High ranking former military officers, including three generals and six colonels, are among the witnesses named in the book and subsequent publications.

According to co-author Randle, who is a Vietnam veteran and a

captain in the Air Force Reserve, the team's investigations to date have yielded a total of 37 witnesses who say they personally handled pieces of the flying saucer debris recovered in 1947, and 8 witnesses who say they saw the dead bodies recovered at the crash site. Randle and Schmitt say they will publish a second book on the Roswell crash in 1993.

"Why do you think 'UFO' is a household word?" asked Elaine Douglass, another organizer with ORTK. "In the last 50 years millions of Americans have seen UFOs," Douglass said. "We have thousands of close encounter reports, ground trace cases, sightings by pilots, multiple-witness sightings, radar/visual reports, and photographs and videos."

"What is the government's response? Since the 1960s, a deafening silence," Douglass observed. "The Air Force is supposed to defend the skies, and you'd think they would be interested in UFO reports. Why aren't they? Because the Air Force, at the highest levels, already knows what UFOs are."

"If a civilian reports a UFO sighting to the Air Force, the Air Force says, 'We don't accept UFO reports.' That's how the government has maintained the cover-up and kept a lid on the situation all these years. They pretend to ignore it. They also ridicule witnesses, which is a powerful way to shut people up."

"President Clinton didn't learn about UFOs when he became president. He had to know about

them when he was Governor of Arkansas," said Mike Jamieson, another organizer with ORTK.

"In Arkansas and Oklahoma during 1991 and 1992, there were many low-altitude sightings of UFOs, and in some cases military aircraft or helicopters appeared and chased the UFOs away," [see reports] Jamieson said. "We simply can't imagine this kind of UFO and military activity going on in Arkansas without coming to the attention of then Governor Bill Clinton."

The political activism of ORTK marks a new direction in the UFO movement, which historically confined itself to public information campaigns.

Why the new direction? "The Roswell case. That's one reason we've decided to get political," said Jamieson. "The U.S. Government has orchestrated the most spectacular deception in the history of the world. They've had the physical proof for almost 50 years!" Jamieson said. "We feel the people have a right to know, and that's why we're going to picket the White House July 5.

"Second is that people who have experienced close encounters are contacting researchers in record numbers," Jamieson commented. "There are so many cases, we don't have time to debrief them all."

The breakthrough in UFO abduction research came in 1987

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with publication of *Intruders* (Random House) by New York City investigator Budd Hopkins, and the book *Communion* by Whitley Strieber. Both were best sellers. These were followed in 1992 by *Secret Life* (Simon & Schuster), written by Temple University Associate Professor David Jacobs, Ph.D., with an introduction by Harvard University professor of psychiatry John Mack, MD.

In 1991, wealthy Las Vegas real estate developer Robert Bigelow commissioned a national poll by the Roper Organization to investigate the extent of the abduction phenomenon. Results indicated that 2% of the adult U.S. population, or some 3.7 million Americans, reported experiences suggesting close encounters with UFO phenomena.

UFO ACTIVITY, ARKANSAS & OKLAHOMA 1991-1992 SELECTED EXAMPLES

8 October 1991: Reeves Knob, Boston Mountains, Arkansas, USA

I am grateful to Christine Lippert for sending me details of a wave of sightings (1991-92) which she has investigated in four counties surrounding the Marshall, Arkansas area in the Ozarks. Accounts of some of those sightings follow. Note interesting parallels in these cases with the Williamsport, Pennsylvania wave of sightings in February 1992, as well as the jet fighter chases in Puerto Rico.

Vickie (surname omitted by request) has been observing these strange craft since 1990. She has an excellent view of the area from her home, high in the Boston Mountains, near the Ozark National Forest. On 8 October 1991, about an hour after dusk, a very

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large boomerang-shaped object appeared, which seemed to be stationary or traveling extremely slowly. It tipped upwards as if standing on end, and a red glowing ball of light dropped down out of it and headed south. Two jets came from the north as if to chase it or escort it, then it moved slowly and disappeared.

21 November 1991: Witts Springs, Arkansas, USA

Here follows investigator Christine Lippert's account of a personal sighting:

At approximately 6:30 p.m. or after dusk, while out tending my cows, I looked up into the sky to see a brilliant red/orange ball of light, stationary directly to the east. It appeared approximately ten times as big as the brightest star. Then I heard jets and turned to focus on them to the north of the object. Suddenly, the jets (which appeared to be military fighters) looked as if they were trying to intercept this object. The object just blinked off and disappeared, then it reappeared farther to the east, with the jets pursuing it. Again, it just blinked off and was gone. This was over several minutes, and was like a game of cat and mouse. Afterward, the night sky was full of jet aircraft, which was unusual for this area. Later, I was to find out that this same event was witnessed by many others in the area . . .

On the same day, Vickie (see 8 October 1991) observed a V- or boomerang-shaped craft move from the east towards Reeves Knob. Four huge red spheres were seen leaving the main craft from the underside. Smaller, triangular-shaped objects

appeared to be following the larger craft. Again, no noise was heard. (Christine Lippert).

30 January 1992: Near Marshall, Arkansas, USA

At approximately 9:10 p.m., a giant 'flying wing' with numerous bright white lights was observed south of Marshall, flying silently about 1,000 feet above treetops. The size was estimated to be that of an aircraft carrier, or larger. Jets were said to be in the vicinity, either observing or escorting the craft. The aircraft appeared to be very tiny in comparison. (Christine Lippert).

15 November 1991: Near Marshall, Arkansas, USA

A group of coon hunters observed a tremendously large object hovering silently over them in the woods near the Alred area, south of Marshall. The craft was boomerang-shaped and estimated to be as large as at least three football fields, with very bright, pulsating white lights. At some point, three big red lights evidently separated from the main object and moved away.

The men were so afraid that they fled. Later, jet aircraft activity was noted in the vicinity, which is unusual in this rural area. (Christine Lippert)

Source: *Alien Update*, Timothy Good, 1993, Arrow Random House, London.



"Mrs. Twilley gets up to walk to the door [Mr. Twilley is disabled] to see who is coming to visit. Well when she opens the door there is an enormous bright, white light that is floating from the east to the west over their home.

"Their son lives diagonally across the road from them in a mobile home. Mrs. Twilley watches this and this bright, white light drifts across the road and descends out of sight behind her son's trailer.

"She gets on the phone and calls her sister-in-law up the road to see if she could see what was going on, and by the time she gets done and everybody is looking, the light has since drifted back into view, has risen, and is drifting east again over a large pasture maybe a quarter of a mile to the nearest patch of woods. The witnesses state that the pasture is lit up so bright that you could almost read a newspaper by it.

"The light goes down over the woods and hovers 200 to 300 feet above the tree line and just stays there. They observe it off and on for 20 minutes when something else caught their attention. The next time they looked, its gone--there's nothing there.

"At the time that this drifted, there's a series of three white and three red lights in triangular formation that came from the west to the east, at about 1500 feet estimated. There's a white light with a red light directly behind it, and if you can imagine 500 ft. down either side of that, in triangular formation, at each point is another white light directly in front of a red light. The base of this series of lights, the witnesses estimated, was about 1000 ft. across.

"These lights, or aircraft, are making no sound whatsoever. If the white lights are on, the red lights are off, and vice-versa. They fly from west to east, and all this goes on at the same time."

I found this story to be quite

Alabama Update

The Phenomenon Continues . . .

by Michael Norris

The past few months for Northeastern Alabama residents have brought cattle mutilations, mysterious unidentified helicopters and UFOs, all of which seem to be somehow interrelated. In the course of follow-up interviews I had the opportunity to speak with a prominent Alabama state trooper who is assigned to the area where much of the activity is taking place. The trooper asked me not to print his name, but shared with me a few of the experiences that locals in his area have reported--experiences that he and other members of law enforcement have taken quite seriously. For simplicity, we will refer to the state trooper as Roger.

First, an update from the Sue Johnson incident (See *U.E.* Vol. 1 #7 pg. 6)

Roger told me that, in addition

to Sue's encounter with an unidentified craft hovering near her trailer, two other nearby sources stated that on that morning, "their homes trembled and vibrated at approximately the same time, but they saw nothing." The Johnson incident was on a Thursday morning, January 28. On the following Saturday night, an even more bizarre encounter took place not too far from Ms. Johnson's home.

"An elderly couple by the name of Twilley," who live about two miles away from Ms. Johnson in another small community on Lookout Mountain, were "in their home watching TV, shortly before eight o'clock, when the interior of their home lit up," Roger related. "They thought they had company and someone's headlights from an automobile had shined into their home.

"The light has since drifted back into view . . . witnesses state that the pasture is lit up so bright that you could almost read a newspaper by it!"

convincing, especially considering the fact that a high-ranking law enforcement official informed me about the incident. What is also fascinating about the Twilley's account is its similarity to one of the sightings of another woman, Pat Beard, who has had two amazing encounters, one of which she captured on video. I believe this video is the best physical recorded evidence of the UFO activity in the Alabama area to date. I've just received the video and am presently having it analyzed. To the best of my knowledge, only one other investigator knows of its existence, so look for a full exclusive story in next month's issue of *U.E.*

Roger explained that lately the sightings have tapered off. But, he said, they did have sightings of diamond-shaped craft, almost identical in description, in four different counties by people who didn't know one another or of the other reports.

The craft were seen "hovering at treetop" level, making no sound, and emitting blue and green light. "That's been seen by no less than eight or ten people," Roger said.

I asked Roger if there were any inquires to government agencies that resulted in explanations.

"The military, of course, wouldn't tell us anything," he commented. "We don't ask for their secrets. All we would ask is that they would tell us, 'Don't worry about anything. We know what it is. It's us, so enjoy the sights.'"

Roger, however, knows the

military heard their concerns. "The military took us serious when we warned them that if they were conducting low-level night maneuvers with their helicopters in North-eastern Alabama, that it would be wise to cease until such time as it was safe to resume there," he said.

The danger, Roger explained to me, is from farmers who are getting anxious to take matters into their own hands.

"We have people in Dekalb and Marshall Counties--about a 1400 square mile area--riding the roads with their rifles, their shotguns, or anything else," Roger remarked. "If a helicopter had flown over their cow pasture at any given time they were out, we might have found out who was actually piloting these helicopters."

Roger emphasized that none of the witnesses to these unusual sightings have claimed that "these were beings from another world."

"They don't claim they have been beamed aboard, or they don't claim that they have been taken to Venus or anything like that," he said. "All they want to know is what is it. They want an answer that we are unable at this time to provide for them."

I asked if perhaps, outside of the mysterious helicopter activity, there was any other evidence of possible government involvement with the events.

"There have been suspicious vehicles spotted," Roger remarked, "with out-of-state plates--government looking automobiles, and military-looking vans in areas where they shouldn't be."

Even though I have my own opinions, I asked Roger what people in his area feel is actually going on.

"There are about as many theories and ideas as there are people up here," he replied.

Upcoming Events:

July 17-18: SEATTLE UFO RESEARCH CONFERENCE - Hyatt Regency Bellevue, Bellevue, WA. Call (417) 882-6847.

July 26-Aug. 2: THE THIRD EARTH CONFERENCE - Salisbury, England. Call (800) 234-8687 or (714) 497-5138.

Aug. 1-5: ANCIENT ASTRONAUT SOCIETY WORLD CONFERENCE - Imperial Palace, Las Vegas. Call (708) 295-8899.

Aug. 14-15: INTERNATIONAL UFO CONFERENCE "UFOs: FACT, FRAUD OR FANTASY"- Sheffield Polytechnic, Sheffield, So. Yorkshire, England. Contact Independent UFO Network, 1 Woodhall Drive, Batley, West Yorkshire, England WF17 7SW.

Sep. 11-12: THIRD ANNUAL NEW HAMPSHIRE MUFON CONFERENCE - Yokens Convention Center, Portsmouth, NH. Call (603) 436-9283.

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Oct. 9-10: THE UFO EXPERIENCE - Holiday Inn, North Haven, Connecticut. Contact Omega Communications, P.O. Box 2051, Cheshire, CT 06410.

Oct. 15-17: THE NATIONAL UFO CONFERENCE - Days Inn, Bordentown, NJ. Call (305) 294-1873.

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WHO or WHAT is Behind the "Phenomena"?

by Christopher O'Brien

UFOs and cattle mutilations are real. The San Luis Valley in Southern Colorado and Northeastern Alabama are experiencing a "flap year" of increased anomalous activity. There have been almost 60 documented mutilations in the USA this past year, 9 reported in the San Luis Valley and neighboring counties with another 10 investigated by researchers.

Other portions of the United States are also experiencing an upsurge in unexplained paranormal activity. Northern New Mexico has had 3 (unconfirmed) cattle mutilations in Rio Arribas County and Taos Counties including a mutilation this past April 27 near the Colorado/New Mexico border in the southern portion of the San Luis Valley. There have been reports of cattle mutilations recently around Oklahoma City, southeastern Arizona, Mississippi and in Manitoba Canada.

The Questa Zone

According to Questa, New Mexico Police Chief Dan Pacheco, there have been numerous unidentified flying objects and unmarked mystery helicopter sightings in and around the Questa, NM area in recent months. Several of these reports have been filed by Pacheco's deputies who have chased mysterious lights around the Questa area. Several reports from the area rival a Steven King novel.

One extremely upset resident reported to Sheriff Pacheco that he "picked up a woman hitchhiker

dressed in red" late at night, only to observe the woman's legs turn into "goats legs with cloven hooves" before the woman dematerialized from the front seat of the startled witness' truck as they drove towards town. Pacheco said "if it had been any other witness, I would have told him to stop drinking." Pacheco went on to say that he had known this man all his life, that he was extremely honest and stable and that he wouldn't "make up such an outrageous story for any reason," let alone file an official police report.

Other reports from the Colorado/New Mexico border are too numerous to mention here, but reflect an obvious upsurge in paranormal activity in the area.

The Evidence Is Mounting

What are we dealing with here?

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Who or what is butchering cattle in ritualistic manner and arrogantly leaving carcasses strewn across the countryside? How can they (sic) kill over 10,000 cattle since 1967 without a single person or group ever brought up on charges? What are these bizarre lights people are seeing that exhibit non-ballistic flight characteristics?

In April 1992, NBC Nightly News Pentagon reporter Fred Francis described a secret government aircraft he and a film crew observed outside of notorious Area 51 (a secret, above top secret base north of Las Vegas Nevada) as "defying the laws of physics" and it "looked like a flying saucer." Francis was trying to find out what was causing the Southern California "Sky quakes."

Has our government been involved in a massive UFO cover-up, as alleged, for the past forty-five years? Is our government responsible for these as yet, unexplained mutilations? Let's take a look at the facts. . . .

U-Foe or Friend?

First, UFOs and related phenomena.

One of the most well-respected and eminent scientists in the history of ufology is Jacques Vallee who was the real-life model for the French scientist "Lacome" in Steven Spielberg's movie *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*. Vallee has investigated UFO-related phenomena for over 30 years and puts forth this conclusion in his 1990 book, *Confrontations*. "The UFO seems to represent an alien force that anticipates our own scientific development by decades, mocking our efforts to identify its nature and its long-term intentions. Understandably, the military establishment does not feel comfortable with the disclosure of our own weakness

any more than the scientific establishment feels inclined to confessing ignorance."

It can be assumed that a high percentage of so-called "UFO sightings" have a terrestrial explanation. Ten years ago the B-2 and F-117 stealth airplanes were seen by unsuspecting civilians and reported as UFOs. We are currently hearing about a new level of aeronautic technology possibly dubbed "Aurora" which could be responsible for a sizable portion of sightings in California as well as "sky quakes" experienced by Southern Californians. This only covers a certain percentage of sightings. A small amount of sightings could have natural explanations: ball-lighting, earthquake faults, weather balloons and other Project Blue Book/debunker type explanations.

Stories are circulating around the field of ufology of secret psychotronic weapons that our intelligence services are developing or have developed. These weapons reportedly are able to create common hallucinations in groups of unsuspecting people through the use of advanced microwave technology. Could some UFO sightings and or some of our "channeled space brothers" fall into this category?

A sizable percentage of unexplained UFO sightings cannot be explained with conventional explanations. It is obvious our government knows quite a bit more than they are willing to admit to an increasingly restless population.

They Can't Be Mute Any Longer

Why are so many "military-type" helicopters seen around cattle mutilations. In interviews with six different current or retired law enforcement officials who have had to deal with the mutilation and UFO phenomena, a common threat can be found.

They all believe that our government is involved to one degree or another, if not directly responsible for the mysterious cattle deaths.

Who Are these Guys?

We are dealing with complex, multi-leveled phenomena.

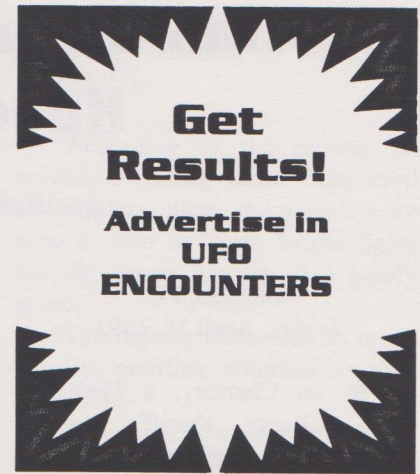
Some researchers (myself included) are convinced that the mutilations are the work of several different groups, all with their own agenda. It is highly possible that our own government is engaged in an above-top-secret program of biological/genetic engineering using specific cattle organs for experimental purposes. It has recently been established that cow DNA is the closest to human's DNA of all the earth's animals. You could probably survive an emergency blood transfusion of cow blood. Does this newly established fact have a connection to the phenomena?

The mutilation phenomenon almost exclusively targets poor, isolated rural ranchers with small herds. Could one or more mutilator groups be engaged in a systematic program of mythological engineering, tapping into man's deep-rooted connection to the age-old practice of animal sacrifice?

Could the phenomenon represent a form of high-tech ritual black magic? Could the mutilators be engaged in monitoring pollution or radiation levels through analysis of tissue taken from mutilated cattle? Is there a way to determine if gold or oil exists under ground where cattle herds graze? Is our government engaged in germ warfare maneuvers, using cattle as guinea pigs?

MacEarth?

A theory that has been



suggested to me recently that I have yet to encounter elsewhere, made my blood chill. It was suggested that someone (our government or a faction thereof) or something could be developing a biologically based, societal control mechanism through the vehicle of beef as food source. Has science developed a way to introduce into the food chain a device able to manipulate millions of people? In this arena, no theory is too outlandish or fantastic to be discounted. I won't even get into what the top researchers in the cattle mutilation field believe to be the most likely answers to these puzzling questions, i.e., cow parts as an alien food sources, alien genetic programs to bolster a deficient alien gene pool, genetic work to hybridize aliens with humans etc.

Mainstream humanity has a hard time dealing with these types of explanations, but the evidence is becoming harder for this researcher to ignore.

We are dealing with several givens. The UFO and cattle mutilation phenomena take place with the aid of undisclosed, cutting-edge high technology. You cannot completely drain a 1000 lb. animal of body fluids in as little as 15 minutes, yet it happens. You cannot remove major organs without breaking into the body cavities, yet

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Florida Deputy Encounters Huge UFO

by Michael Norris

Bayport, FL
Friday, April 16, 1993

Ron Chancey, a Hernando County sheriff's deputy, was patrolling on a Friday evening when he spotted an object he couldn't recognize. Chancey was traveling along Pine Island Drive--an area he was assigned to after a devastating storm the month before. What he first noticed, as he was looking north, were blue lights that seemed to be following him. Chancey headed southeast toward Bayport, when he again viewed the lights, which now appeared to be an object heading over a marsh.

"It was a huge something or other. The first thing I thought of was the Crystal River nuclear plant," Chancey said. "I don't know why, really. And then I thought of that movie, *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, with that big whatever-it-was that played the music." Deputy Chancey estimated the craft to be 200 to 300 feet long, and said it was totally silent.

Chancey pulled his vehicle over and then shined a spotlight at the colossal object. He couldn't see any markings, numbers, or even a cockpit. All he could make out was a faint and dark outline of something with a boomerang shape.

He continued to watch the giant craft for a few minutes, and then he entered his car and headed to the park in Bayport. As Chancey drove, the object kept pace with him. He would accelerate, and the object would do the same. He shined a light once again on the dark craft

and it turned west toward the Gulf of Mexico.

"Based on what I know now, no, I don't think it's from this planet," Chancey remarked. "Nothing on earth could hover and haul ass like that." Arriving at the park in Bayport, he met and spoke with six others who said they also saw the object.

Durwood Dortch, Jr. was with his wife, children and parents in the Bayport park that evening. They went to the park to fish. However, a previous storm in March had blown away the pier, so

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the family turned to leave after seeing the damage. As Durwood entered his truck, he looked up and said, "Do you see those lights up there? That airplane's huge."

Later, Mrs. Dortch commented, "Me and him both said there's no way that's an airplane. It's way too big. It didn't make a sound. It just hung there. We looked away and when we looked back, it was gone."

As the Dortch family was leaving the park, they were stopped by Deputy Chancey. "How long have you been out here?" he asked. Dortch told him a few minutes.

"I'm going to ask you a strange question," Chancey said, "but I don't know how to ask."

Dortch told the deputy to say nothing further, "yeah, we saw it--that thing in the sky."

Chancey found two others in the park, Donald Brown and Cassandra Smith, who also admitted seeing the unidentified craft.

Around 9:30 p.m. the same evening, Garth and Sandra Curtis were in Tarpon Springs when they saw the mysterious ship.

"We sat and watched it a good five minutes," Garth Curtis told reporters. "It was moving slowly to the west. I don't know what to believe. I've never seen anything like it."

On the evening prior to the Bayport incident, Mary McCracken spotted the craft.

"Through my bedroom window, over in the southeast, I saw a bunch of real bright lights not too far over the treetops, moving real slow," Mary commented. "I kept watching it. It was really big. I opened the window all the way, even with the rain, and listened. It didn't make a sound."

The object passed over Mary's house, and when it did the nearby street light winked out. After the craft disappeared from view, the street light came back on.

"I couldn't believe it not making a sound and going so slow like that," Mary noted. "It makes me feel better that somebody else saw it and it was somebody credible like a deputy."

Another witness, Lisa Curran, a 28-year-old woman from New Port Richey, said that on the following Sunday afternoon, in broad daylight, she saw the craft, which had hovered high above her and rose until it could no longer be seen.

In Chancey's official police report he states, "The craft appeared to be boomerang shaped with bluish colored lights (approximately 5) appearing from the bottom and white lights appearing from the back

side as it left the area. The craft did not have flashing red lights. . . . and was observed hovering at one point. . . . A check with McDill Air Force Base in Tampa revealed no known military flights in the Hernando County area."

Further inquiries to the U.S. Coast Guard station and to the

Tampa International Airport turned up nothing.

A special thanks to UFO investigator Fearon Hicks, who supplied "UFO ENCOUNTERS" with the official police reports, as well as his verification of the events after interviewing Deputy Chancey.



Communications released the following statement in relation to the sightings:

"According to the reports received, including those from civil and military pilots, the objects were seen as two or more bright lights moving across the sky at a steady speed.

"The objects were seen to move silently, emitting contrails as they did so.

"The reports varied widely in their estimates of height, ranging from a few hundred feet to 25,000 feet.

"Reports were received from most areas of the country, except the extreme north and extreme south.

"Reports were also received from an aircraft over Northern Ireland and from an aircraft over Wales.

"The times given by observers are remarkably consistent and indicate that the sightings lasted for a few minutes between 01.10 hrs and 01.15 hrs local time.

"A preliminary analysis of the reports indicates that the objects probably followed a flight path across the middle of Ireland essentially in a NW to SE direction and moving towards Wales in the same general direction.

"The objects were not seen to descend to earth at any stage. A check by air traffic control services could not relate the sightings to any known civil air traffic operating at the time."

Similar sightings from the Belfast Anglesey Dublin area were reported to London Air Traffic Control, and they also claimed that nothing was observed on radar.

York, England

On February 16, Mary Mountain and her neighbor Harry Prince observed a bizarre, glowing white

WORLDWIDE ENCOUNTERS

Czechoslovakia has reported many UFO sightings over the past year. Vladimir Siska, who heads the UFO group *Czech Archeo-Astronomical Association*, says his organization has received 350 unidentified sightings over the past year. Under former communist rule, reports of UFO sightings were squelched. Now, with the veil removed, interest in the subject has sky-rocketed, and book stores can't keep material on the topic in stock.



"It couldn't have been a plane's lights because it was too big. It moved across the sky one way and went out of sight behind some trees

then it came back," the man commented.

Mr. Parsons contacted the police about the incident, but no one believed him. He searched the area the next morning but found nothing unusual.

After the incident was published in a local newspaper, a woman by the name of Mrs. Hurford, wrote to the paper stating that Mr. Parsons wasn't the only one to see the mystery object. She reported that on the same evening around 11 p.m., she went to draw the curtains in her home and saw a huge, round, red object tinged with orange behind some trees on a crest of a nearby mountain. She said it was very strange and was quite massive. The woman remarked that it remained where she spotted it for a long while.

Ireland

On March 30th and 31st, large numbers of UFOs described as bright lights, which didn't show up on radar, were seen all over the country of Ireland. A report from the Air Navigation Services Office (ANSO) at the Department of

Taunton, England

Twenty-three independent witnesses claimed to have seen two large UFOs over the Taunton and West Somerset area on March 30. Police notified Doug Cooper, investigator for the *British UFO Research Organization*, about the objects, which were about 500ft wide and 200ft long. Witnesses say the objects were emitting "light beams," and were seen at one point hovering at about 2,000 feet.

Glenview, Ynysddu, Wales

On January 16, Mike Parsons was walking his dog near his home around 10 p.m. when he looked up in the sky and saw "a great big red massive thing," which looked to be about 15ft in diameter and was perfectly round.

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VNIMANIYE: NLO (ATTENTION: UFOS)

By Vladimir Ajaja

Published in Severodvinsk, Russia, 1991

A Review
by Paul Stonehill

This brochure was written by a remarkable man about a remarkable subject, in a remarkable historical period in a country experiencing a remarkable change.

Mr. Vladimir Georgiyevich Ajaja, one of the leading ufologists in Russia, is an active and sometimes controversial figure. He is a prominent personality in the Russian Ufological Association. But he was not always a ufologist, and when he did become one, he tasted the bitter fruit of the Communist Party's dislike of those who had dared to question authorities.

Fifteen years ago Mr. Ajaja was approached by a famous and respected Soviet magazine *Nauka I Zhizhn* (*Science And Life*). Mr. Ajaja was asked to write a review of readers' letters about the Bermuda Triangle. Mr. Ajaja wondered why he was approached and not someone else. The editors of *Nauka I Zhizhn* told him it was because he was a marine researcher, who, on numerous occasions, studied the depths of the Atlantic Ocean from aboard a Soviet submarine (with many features designed by him). However, as he found out later, the main reason was that the mainstream Soviet oceanologists would not touch such a "questionable" subject. But Mr. Ajaja, a veteran of the

He is a prominent personality in the Russian Ufological Association.

Soviet Navy, did not hesitate. He found nothing about the Bermuda Triangle in Moscow's libraries, neither in Russian nor English. The only book he chanced upon was Charles Berlitz's *The Bermuda Triangle*.

In reading that book, Mr. Ajaja encountered for the very first time in his life the mention of the word "UFO." Prior to that time, Mr. Ajaja, like other Soviets, rejected "flying saucers," believing the Soviet debunkers who promulgated that UFOs were but a creation of

The Communist Party functionaries on all levels did their best to silence him.

"Western bourgeois propagandists." And so Vladimir Ajaja had begun his quest to find out what was known about UFOs in the USSR.

As an ex-military man, he was able to find his way into the Main Staff of the Soviet Navy. There Mr. Ajaja had a very interesting conversation with Vice-Admiral Y. V. Ivanov, head of the Naval Intelligence Directorate. Years ago, the two men had served together aboard submarines of the Northern Fleet. And from the Vice-Admiral Mr. Ajaja found out that the Naval Intelligence had long considered UFOs to be a subject of serious investigation. Mr. Ajaja was able to read reports of the intelligence officers, and most importantly, he spoke with the officers who recently encoun-

tered UFOs. Mr. Ajaja became quite convinced.

But his newly found conviction placed him on thin ice. His efforts to study and promote ufology made him a target of the science officialdom, and the Party "apparatchiki." His name was smeared in the Soviet media. Ajaja's works were blacklisted. His lectures were outlawed. The Communist Party functionaries on all levels did their best to silence him. Vladimir Ajaja was fired more than once. But the man persisted, and in the end, he won.

Back around 1977, he even authored a scientific paper titled *The Hydrosphere Aspect Of The UFO Issue*, for the Soviet Navy. He also wrote, for the same Navy, *Instructions Regarding Sighting Of UFOS From Ships And Vessels*.

Mr. Ajaja states in *ATTENTION: UFOS*, that the UFO wave of 1989, which is still in progress, has swept away ideological and censorship barriers which were placed against ufology in the USSR. But because of the years of silence, the country has been rendered totally unprepared for UFO phenomena.

Mr. Ajaja's organization (the Russian Ufology Research Center is in touch with the Association's UFOTSENTR) promotes scientific study of UFO phenomena. The SOYUZUFOTSENTR broke away from its cradle, the Soviet Academy of Sciences. There were valid reasons for doing so. I will write about the Academy of Sciences in my future articles. The main goal of UFOTSENTR is one of organization and coordination of ufological research in Russia, working in conjunction with scientific research institutes and universities, using

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all, has come from the field [ufology] . . . everything from efforts to censor our book, letters to our publisher and threatened law suits."

Schmitt commented that his only regret is that he didn't begin investigating Roswell years before when many of the first-hand witnesses were still alive. He said that looking back on previous investigations, there was "a very half-hearted effort, very incompetent in many respects."

"The Roswell investigation until Kevin and I started five years ago," Schmitt remarked, "was in limbo . . . nobody was doing anything . . . it was all MJ12. And all of a sudden we start and it's like, 'Oh my God, we have to stop these people . . . we have to stop these guys.' Again it raises some very serious questions. What are the priorities in this field? Is it the truth? Or, is it totally monetary--totally self serving? I mean, how do you claim priority on a historic event? There are over 200 books on the Kennedy assassination, and they threaten to sue because we are doing our own independent investigation of Roswell. . . . I'm not going to name names here--people know who they are."

Schmitt talked about another obstacle that, for the last 45 years, ufology has had to negotiate--the media. "I think once the media would start looking into this and asking the hard questions and pushing for the true nature of the phenomenon, we could really open some doors overnight."

I asked Schmitt what other

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difficulties he and Randle have experienced. "We've had some mild threats and have questioned whether or not our phone has been tapped," Schmitt said. "Vehicles with government plates, for example, have pulled in front of my house and even in front of my driveway on a number of occasions. . . . They occasionally put out little test flags, to see how we respond. 'What will it take to shake these guys?' . . . But we are encouraged by it; again, it must mean we are on to something."

I asked Schmitt where he would like to see the case go from here.

"There are still witnesses that we have been in hot pursuit (of) for the last five years--firsthand witnesses that we know were directly involved, not only with the debris and the craft itself," Schmitt said, "but certainly with the bodies. We've heard that there were hundreds of photographs taken. Certainly there had to have been a ton of documentation."

I asked Schmitt what it would take for him to back away from the case. He said he has been asked this before, even by two generals.

"Not by threat, not by harassment, not by intimidation and not by word," Schmitt responded. "They would have to show us--they would have to demonstrate to us that it would indeed be a threat to national security. Documentation won't do it; photographs won't do it. In other words, we would

have to see the genuine article, and then they would have to demonstrate why this is such a terrible secret. After all these years, why are we still unable to handle such an acknowledgment?"

"The point is if we can all concede that some event, some very extraordinary event took place down in Roswell and is still being covered up today, then the next question is, 'what?'"

"We have always been objective enough to go wherever the evidence leads us. And today, with over 600 witnesses unanimously telling us this was extraterrestrial, we are pretty well left with that explanation."

What Roswell has proven, Schmitt explained, is that no matter how old a case is, if there are witnesses still alive, there is great potential for significant discoveries. "There are files just sitting, begging to be reopened, because if a case is classified as unidentified, it is still an active case."

Surely there is another case as significant as Roswell that has never been investigated. We just have to keep searching. But who knows what tomorrow may bring? Another UFO crash could happen anywhere. This time we just have to beat the government to it.

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it happens.

There have even been cases where organs have been removed and no incisions have been found on the animal. Lasers that would require huge generators for power are being used portably in these fields. How do you carry a huge generator in a helicopter? Lasers or high heat have been used in these mutilations ever since they started here in the San Luis Valley in 1967,

Classifieds:

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years before the laser was supposed to have even been invented.

Where Does This Leave Us?

One thing is inescapable for sure. With the many mystery helicopters that are seen consistently around UFO sightings and especially around cattle mutilation sites, our government or a faction of our

government has to be directly involved in the phenomena. They know what is going on. I'll let you decide to what degree. Stay tuned, with your eyes open.

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light in the sky for 10 minutes.

"We stood watching it," Mrs. Mountain recalled. "It was a terrific, bright light with radiants coming out of it, the way a child would draw a star. . . . Then I saw it shoot at terrific speed to the northwest and the sky became completely black."

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had expected false alarms, and says that it will continue to happen. But, each unknown signal will be traced, and if just one cannot be identified, then we have something! More on this next month, as well as an update on the overall project.

As a final note, the *Space and Technology* section was omitted from this issue to make room for lengthy articles. But, don't worry! *S & T* will continue in next month's issue.

Enjoy the reading, and remember, we want to hear from you!

Michael Norris

Soviet, Russian and foreign data and experience. The organization has its own college of ufology ("BAZIS"), and publishes a magazine (NLO).

This brochure is the first in a series of immensely popular brochures, *What Everybody Should Know About UFOS*.

I read it three times, all 36 fascinating pages. The information contained therein is most interesting. The brochure needs to be translated into English! The series will consist of 20 such brochures, written by Russian ufologists. The distribution of the first edition is only 15 thousand. Russia needs millions of such brochures! There had been thousands of sightings all

over the former USSR last year alone. Mr. Ajaja and his UZUFOTSENTR receive countless reports every day, every year. Nowadays people are not afraid to discuss UFOs. The brochure also instructs the populace what to do in case of a sighting or a close contact.

After the demise of the SOYUZUFOTSENTR, and in view of the dire economic conditions of Russia today, it is actually highly unlikely that more brochures will be published. The SOYUZUFOTSENTR was a predecessor to the UFOTSENTR, but let's not get into the political battles of Russian ufology . . .

Those American ufologists who want to reach Mr. Ajaja, should contact me at the Russian Ufology Research Center, 5700 Etiwanda Ave., Suite 215, Tarzana, California 91356 USA.



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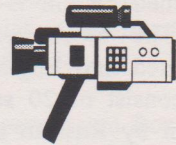
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