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J.R. Comments... It is a pity to have to discuss the Cracoe affair again in this editorial. However, events have determined that for me, I promise not to descend into the depths (a word chosen advisedly) that certain people in Yorkshire have reached of late. All I am interested in is how this issue affects the UFO subject in general. And it certainly does that.

Many readers will have seen the Sept/Oct 1986 Quest, produced by YUFOS in late December. A great deal of this consisted of personal abuse levelled at WYUFORG - a group whose case files have often been summarised in NUN and whose records on the archives are ample testimony to their status. More was aimed direct at me, for reasons I can but guess at since my involvement in the Cracoe case is minimal.

Whilst I have been informed (via a third party) that YUFOS will not even talk to me any more (hence the stupid decision to post their letter to that third party), and I regard any such behaviour as way beneath those who expect to be regarded as serious ufologists, I am not about to comment. Answering such remarks tends only to add fuel to the cause of those who make them in the first place. I have nothing that I consider I need explain or apologise over. WYUFORG have every right to express their views on the Cracoe photographs and YUFOS should answer them in a sensible fashion - not with rhetoric. They have, after all, sold a case report to the public for £5, and are now advertising a second one at £7.50. If WYUFORG believe they have hard evidence that the case upon which these merchandise are based is (shall we say) tenuous, then it is their responsibility to make you all aware of it. They should be applauded for their efforts to resolve a case, not abused.

YUFOS counter with the suggestion that they have much confidential evidence on the Cracoe lights and a sixth photograph, far better than all the rest, which they have never yet presented. Now that may be. However, I am concerned about the manner in which a case, now admitted to be mostly secret, was presented to the local and national media in 1983 and then sold in a case report. Both actions were down to YUFOS and were quite deliberate. If the case contained significant data that they could not make public, and which fundamentally affects anyone's perception of it, then I am hard pressed to see either the logic or fairness of using it in the way it has been used to promote YUFOS.

A great deal is happening around this case and it is really up to YUFOS and WYUFORG to state their evidence. I can only tell you that people who have seen the WYUFORG photographs (taken at the Cracoe site on two separate occasions last year and seeming to show identical light effects to those on the famous pictures) have been persuaded by them and perplexed at the YUFOS attitude. Frankly, to now claim (as they do) that the WYUFORG photos might seem to show the same thing, but they do not really (because of secret data YUFOS have never publicised) is going to be a mighty hard thing to swallow even for the most open-minded. I am not doubting the word of the YUFOS team. But it seems a curious way to go about things - coming up with this vital new evidence, which they have supposedly had all along, only after much doubt has been cast on their original material.

I should add the doubt include Klaus Webner, one of the two photo experts used by YUFOS to support their case, who (having seen the WYUFORG data) has plainly stated that the case is now resolved.

In my opinion the interests of ufology will not be served by dragging this case and the subject through the mud for endless months. And to start blaming individuals on either side is stupid. From written evidence over the past month that I have seen there are major differences of opinion within the YUFOS hierarchy. I will name no names (although those I could name are well known YUFOS members). One has said he thinks the images on the Cracoe pictures are explained, as some kind of flares dropped by the RAF. Another that the original (£5) file was "a very brief and poorly written version of affairs... (from which) masses of connecting data and relevant information were omitted". A third has expressed his opinion in a very physical way, of which it is not up to me to comment.

Whether the case is unknown still, or now a certain IFO, there is clearly much doubt (even within YUFOS) and it must be accepted that the selling of a case file under the circumstances was a debatable decision. That said, it surely is in the

manifest interests of common sense for YUFOS to stop crying foul and simply get on with publishing the full facts and allowing the UFO community to make a choice about the status of this case. All attacks on people are side issues. Distractions of this magnitude engineered by YUFOS at this stage are only going to suggest to some people that a raw nerve has been struck.

The silliness of some of the YUFOS comments is evident. For example, in Quest they dismiss me as a ghost hunter. Yet in practically every issue of their journal they promote books about ghosts over Chesterfield. I recently looked at one of these books ('More ghosts in and Around Chesterfield' by the late RA Pearson). On page 6 of this we read how the author and his team rushed to Yorkshire to follow up a poltergeist case after an urgent request from YUFOS! Yet, if you are to take YUFOS seriously, they reject even contact with any group that would give a spook the time of day. Perhaps someone should purchase a dictionary with the word 'hypocrisy' in it!

Worse still - in letters to WYUFORG of late YUFOS have been threatening legal action if any word from Quest on Cracoe is reproduced anywhere. In the Sept/Oct issue Quest includes a cartoon of me being dragged towards a UFO. Some of the obvious malice behind this I found it quite amusing and original. Sadly this is no such thing. The cartoon is a barely altered copy of one that appeared in the book 'Visitors from Outer Space' (Doubleday 1976) - authored by BUFORA founder Roy Stemman. In Stemman's version the copyright sign and holder ('The Denver Post') is plainly visible. The Quest artist spirited this away very cleverly. Alexis Colby would be proud of them!

Frankly both these issues are petty and irrelevant. But it was worth expressing them to make a point, because they are the sort of fabric from which YUFOS appear to be making all their decisions and producing all their written material of late.

I hope that they see the error of their ways. The best outcome for this would be for YUFOS to quickly extricate itself from the problems they have created and escape to self respect through their own actions. I have no intention nor desire to blacken the name of a group that can do good. But the solution lies in the hands of YUFOS. Only they can resolve this matter with honour - which, even now, is the one solution that will reflect well on ufology. Mud sticks, whoever it belongs to.

NEWS ROUND-UP:



:: Andy Collins has advised me of the demise of his journal 'Earthquest News'. However, much of his time has been spent in producing booklength specials in recent years. The decision is intended to facilitate this - and so there should be much more to come from the pen of this veteran research writer in times to come.

:: Winner of the free subscription competition was Andy Roberts. Congratulations! He scored 8 right out of 10. Hard luck to Clive Potter who managed 6. For the record the answers (in order) were: - Bill Roache (Ken Barlow - Coronation Street), Shirley McLaine, Jacques Vallée, Uri Geller, Nicholas Witchell (BBC news reader who once wrote a book about the Loch Ness Monster), Michael Pentine, Juri Lina, Edgar Mitchell, John Grant and.... Sherlock Holmes (Jeremy Brett plays him on TV, Gerry Rafferty had a hit single with 'Baker Street', Supernature is written by Lyall WATSON, and the BUFORA lectures are near the Baker Street tube).

:: Raymond Broderick was one of several readers who enquired whether UFOs might have caused the "two hour loss of radar at Heathrow Airport on 15 Nov 1986". Peter Warrington kindly supplied me with a full report. A capacitor shorted out and caused the radar systems to go off line until it could be replaced. Luckily no incidents resulted and the affair seems to have no sinister overtones at all. It was a still inexplicable freak accident - according to reports.

:: I gather F-19 model kits are on sale for £4.99. Quite a feat when the plane still does not officially exist! Ray Beche in the USA has been delving into the California desert crash last summer and thinks there may be more to it (ufo-wise) than a secret plane. He is promising to publish his data soon.

:: Hands up those who watch the repeats of "UFO" on TV just now? The first episode features a UFO crashing into an English forest and being surrounded. The series was made in 1969 - but is set, as each programme announces, in 1980. Sound familiar?

BOOKS OF THE MOMENT



TONY WEDD: New Age Pioneer by Philip Heselton 1986 160pp illustrated.
£4 (inc post) (one-third trade discount):- 170 Victoria Ave Hull HU5 3DY

Tony who? If you have to ask this question then you need to read this book. If you already know, then I suspect you will want to read it. Wedd was a leading light in earth mysteries research in the sixties and one of the first to link this with UFOs. Almost forgotten now, because he published little on a grand scale, Philip Heselton, who met the man when he was just a child and grew up on his 'teachings', has decided that this ignorance must be corrected.

This softback volume is self-produced but so large, impressive and visually appealing you will never know. Well done ENJAY. Plenty of photographs of first-rate quality and for £4 you get a book that would do any major house proud. As for the content it is a loving look at the life and work of this extraordinary individual, who died in 'exile' in the Australian outback a few years ago. It is the sort of story that a movie could be made from even without the paranormal aspects. Wedd's life was full of incident and is so delightfully portrayed in this volume you can enjoy it on that level as well as any other.

Beyond that we see his UFO sightings, paranormal experiences, ley research, thoughts on the Adamski movement that first got him into ufology, his time spent with contactees building practical alien devices (including a cosmic coffee pot and extraterrestrial foot warmers!) and the basis of his 'STAR' Fellowship. It is all fascinating, and you even get a full account of how to build one instrument yourself.

The insights into the formative days of earth mystery and UFO research are of great interest. The 'what can possibly happen to him next' style of the life story saga always keeps your interest. A book is soon promised on the work of Philip Rodgers, the amazing blind contactee from England who was the channel for most of Wedd's ideas. That looks set to be well worth waiting for.

I have no hesitation in recommending this smashing book. Whatever you think of contactees or leys you won't want to miss the treat in store that will come from a few hours absorbed in this volume. Buy it!

SKY MAP MANUAL By Ronny Blomme 32pp A4 size 1986

This is an unbelievably useful idea by the Belgian astronomer and UFO researcher. A large computer programme specifically designed to help UFO investigators seek out stellar objects that might ~~seem~~ UFOs. In other words, you plug in the date, time and place of sighting and a circular sky map is created showing the stellar patterns (even linked together into their familiar 'shapes') and the positions of the planets etc. No excuse for not spotting stellar UFOs now.

There are a number of astronomical programmes on the market for home micros, but this is bigger and better because it is specially designed for a large Apple II. The manual that I am reviewing describes the programme, gives an introduction to using it and astronomy to help track down UFOs, includes sample 'report forms' for computer use and gives several worked through examples. These plug a case into the computer and print the resulting maps. I will give nothing away. One of them, however, is the famous Betty and Barney Hill CE4.

Blomme appears to be offering this as a service. No price is quoted, but I am sure an amicable arrangement can be struck with serious UFO groups. He is also offering copies of the programme on disk or the binary code so you can re-design it for your own group ~~micro~~ (assuming you understand these wretched things better than I do!) The English is impeccable. No Franglais here. And just 200 Belgian Francs is asked for the code (400 for the programme) (International Money Order:- R. Blomme, Pierre Curielaan 31 Box 2, B-1050 Brussels, Belgium). At under £4 and £8 respectively (present rates) you need your head examining if you don't immediately take up this incredible offer.



FOR YOUR PERUSAL :-

Major articles elsewhere

News-stand journals are still going strong, although I did not think much of the brief discussion of the 'circles' in 'Beyond Science'. Incidentally, those who wonder if the appearance of a travel article about the Canary Islands in that magazine (Jan-Feb 1987), and written by me, suggests I now find the journal to be a serious outlet should be advised they were given it for nothing simply because nobody else wanted it and I liked it!

'Exploring the Supernatural' is still the cheapest at 90p. It is getting harder by the issue to tell the junk from the serious stuff. But it is still worth the investment. In the Jan and Feb issues Peter Hough has a two-parter on contactees and asks 'Contact with what?'. There is an interesting piece on dream states by Lois Bourne (Feb) and JR has the first two of a three-parter on Bedroom Visitors which has much overlap with CE4 cases. The book reviews are honest too!

'The Unknown' is identical in appearance but generally of a higher consistency, with frequent articles of merit. Price has risen to £1.05 from Feb. Hilary Evans concludes his last century contactee cases (Jan and Feb), there's an interesting look at the search for anti-gravity (Feb) by Paul Harns, Peter Hough (Feb) reports an interview he and I did with paranormal fiction author Ray Leonard (a computer scientist in his 'spare time') and the concluding parts of JR's photographic cases history look at the Peter Day film (Jan) and Project Hessdalen (Feb). In the March issue there will be a test of your skills at identifying real and non-real UFO photos. So swot up for that! (Jan and Feb also launch a six-part Treasure Hunt, based on the paranormal in the UK, which you do from your own armchair. At the conclusion in June you will have to use PSI to find the treasure! Since I am setting it I know the answers - and nobody else does - not even the editor! No bribery will be accepted. But you can try!)

FORTAN TIMES 47 (£6, 4 issues, 96 Mansfield Rd London NW3 2EX)

TONS of stuff as usual in this indispensable publication. All the latest weird tales on everything you can imagine (and many things you can't). Includes a report on the Congo hunt for the living dinosaur - involving Bill Gibbons - long time readers of NUN will probably recall his UFO investigations when he lived up north.

EARTH 4 (£4, 6 issues, 61 Ranelagh Avenue, Ravenscliffe, Bradford HD10 0HF)

I cannot even begin to tell you the 'different' things in here (as usual). All told in the best possible haste. Earth mysteries, leys, visions, wolves, UFOs and a long piece by Peter Southwood on Jungian archetypes in UFO encounters. Another huge fiendish crossword too. The most eccentric (yet readable) offering on the market.

MAONIA 24 (£2.50, 4 issues, 5 James Terrace, Mortlake Churchyard, London SW14 8HB)

Bit of a makeshift issue but an earthlights special with a critical commentary on the Persinger theory from Claude Mauge, Michael Goss on the Japanese fire spirit and David Clarke on spotlights in connection with modern UFOs. Good value.

UFO PHENOMENON (Monthly, £12 Aus-surface- 41 Scott St Koongamia WA6056)

The WAUFOIC Australian newsletter retitled but still a good source of news and cases from the land of summer (Remember that?) Aside from these often reproduces Aussie newspaper stories too. Good investment (£18 Aus -for air mail)

IUR Sep/Oct (B32, US, from CUFOS 1955 John's Drive, Glenview, Illinois, USA 60025-1615)

Reports the sad news of the death of APRO founder and UFO pioneer Jim Lorenzon late last summer - making 1986 a very bad year indeed for ufology. Condolences to his wife Coral, who still runs APRO. A reappraisal of the Rex Hefflin case, a look at the future of ufology by historian David Jacobs and some hot debate in the letters section from Chalker, Devereux, Klass, Moore and others also here.

MUFON Journal (\$30, US, 12 issues, 103 Oldtowne Rd Seguin Texas 78155-4099)

Nov is a particularly full issue with a fascinating Michael Swords piece about ET logic and why UFOs may seem so baffling to us. There is also a review of the Great Falls, Montana, movie film and masses of new data on the May 1986 Brazilian aircraft sightings. The ones that created media stories over here - but which, of course, were never followed up by the press.

BEDROOM VISITORS OF TWO KINDS By Raymond Broderick

There are two kinds of visitors in the bedroom. The first is one that you manufacture in your mind. The second is that which comes when you are not prepared for it. Let us take a look at the .

How do you explain a situation like the following? A husband and wife are sat up in bed during the early hours drinking tea in the twilight, when suddenly they both see a robot float through the room. Imagination? I don't think so. Maybe it was something in the food they ate for supper? If so we shall all end up on the funny farm!

I always ask myself - why is that each time two or more people in a room see the same thing the experts always reach for the quickest answer. In their books you are either hallucinating or written off as a nut. In my book NUT stands for Not Under Treatment!

It has been said that children fear the dark and can have imaginary bedroom visitors. Not so. The seed of fear is planted in their minds by adults. A child will trust anything and do not know the word fear. He or she would even walk into a lions den - one in the eye for Daniel!

You will discover that people who have these bedroom visitors (contactees?) often begin with a ball of light that oreeps through their room at night. This is intelligence. When this light becomes a visitor it could be anything - a ghost, robot, dwarf, hideous creature, alien. The worst part is that you can do nothing to stop it. This lack of control surely proves that something - or someone - is far more clever than we are.

We might say that the human race has got a sickness. I call it a China Syndrome because we fight amongst ourselves. In governments all over the world right down to our own lives in our own homes. It seems to be a self-fuelling destructive urge that creates a personality meltdown. Everyone has lust and greed. Whatever it is that is out there it seems to have the upper hand.

There are two kinds of truth. The first is truth that is limited - when you only get told so much. The rest is conspiracy to hide the deeper truth.

So I must speak out for others and from personal experience. Yes - we are being visited by 'them'. At this moment it is not a case of asking where they come from but what they want with us. I say to them - like Qbd said to Adam 'Why do you hide?'

I want to know what these visitors want when they come into our bedrooms at night - a time when we are most vulnerable.

(This article presents forthright views on the bedroom visitor CE4 and is apparently based on personal experience by reader, Ray Broderick. Perhaps he will share them? You will have read some of his UFO sightings in earlier issues of this journal. I thought it a good idea to present the other side of the coin to the one most often heard, eg in the recent article from Clive Potter (and which I happen to accept) - that CE4s are subjective experiences, although possibly triggered by a real source. Ray Broderick shows we must never be certain of anything.... Editor)

MEDIA MATTERS

A look at UFOs in the public eye

The story of the past two months has been the latest in a disturbing line of aircraft/UFO encounters (see my next book 'The UFO Conspiracy' for some thoughts) It was faithfully reported in many places with almost no scepticism. One tiny item in The Times told how Philip Klass (naturally) has explained it as bright planet. But The Times main report was far larger and serious in tone. "Plane crew describe UFO scare" (6 Jan) tells how the Federal Aviation Administration in the USA is investigating the sighting of "an enormous walnut-shaped UFO reported by a veteran pilot and confirmed by government radar. It was described as the size of two aircraft carriers." Witness was Captain Kenju Terauchi of Japan Airlines. His co-pilot and flight engineer also saw the UFO. They were flying from Iceland to Anchorage,

Alaska, over American territory - hence the FAA interest and radar tracking. Date was 17 November 1986, late evening, but details only emerged when the FAA released the story in Washington! Another hint of an "education programme"? Terauchi was ordered to drop 4000' and make turns as the lights followed the 747 Cargo jet for 32 minutes. Ground radar said it came within 5 miles of the plane.

On Jan 11th it happened again! This time Terauchi was piloting a jet from London to Alaska and saw a bright light pass under the aircraft. There are speculations about it being ice crystals. (Daily Express, 14 Jan). Harry Harris - someone we haven't heard of in quite a while! - resurrected his UFO interest with this case and has made enquiries at JAL. The Airline told him it was no big deal. Their pilots see UFOs several times a year. This one just happened to get out! He then established direct contact with Terauchi, who is under some pressure. It seems, but has promised to try to talk when the fuss dies down. Methinks neither he nor JAL realised the hornets nest they have unsettled. If I find out more I shall let you know.

More prosaic sightings have exercised British minds. YUFOS seem very keen on a multi-witness report of a formation of LITS whizzing over early on 23 December. Numerous appeals in Lancashire and Yorkshire have asked for witnesses. The Bradford Telegraph (23 Dec) was instantaneous in its story "Expert to probe UFO sightings" Said expert is one David Barclay, who has a book about UFOs due soon (let us hope it is less boot-licking than his book reviews in 'The Unknown!') and who is representing ASSAP in these investigations (certainly news to me!) Whilst no data on duration was offered by the press stories they do very much sound like space debris re-entry (or a meteor break up) - and I ponder where Mr Barclay gets the nerve to suggest that it may be something more sinister. "There are all sorts of things flying over our heads that the authorities choose not to tell us about". Perhaps WYUFORG will demonstrate there is more to this than seems likely on face value.

An even more fascinating IFO comes from the Kidderminster Times (11 Dec) with "Residents mystified as havoc hits homes". The story begins 'Was it a UFO...', so you can see what the press think. In fact people in one small area of the town were woken in the early hours of 9 Dec by a "weird whirring noise" and a "siren-like sound" which made houses vibrate. Garden fencing was then found torn down. "Like a child's spinning top" is how resident Derek Perks describes it. He speculated that it was as if "something had been coming down on top of us and at the last minute regained control and pulled up". His daughter claims she saw strange lights in the sky at the time. Despite this, a tornado does seem the most plausible answer. WYFORA is looking into this and we shall bring you Clive Potter's report in due course.

The Cambridge Evening News (12 Jan) went to town with a full page story dominated by photos and artists' impressions, tracing the history of sightings around the town and (ironically - see the reports this issue!) claiming that a green light seen by a truck driver, pretty obviously a meteor and the cause of all this fuss, was "the first time UFOs have been reported in the Cambridgeshire skies for six years". Perhaps they should have asked NUN!

I know its winter and we are far away from those corn field circles, but.... A good mystery never dies, it just comes back to haunt us. That is why it is hardly astonishing to find a huge picture of the Alfriston, Sussex, rings (remember Dennis Healey's 'comat?') in Sussex Express (24 Dec). A woman and her family saw a light in the same area. No circles there for yonks, but what the heck. A light is a light if you see it somewhere ordinary. Over Alfriston it is big news. Barry Goding, hilariously described as colkating "reports of British sightings for an American scientific establishment" was excited. WYFORAs Philip Taylor took no time to figure out it was almost certainly an aircraft. End of story? Don't take bets on it.

Patrick Moore is back in action, recovering quickly from his exposé last summer. A woman in Hampshire had seen "the star of Bethlehem" over Waterlooville. The rather aptly named Mrs Heater Cross gave a straightforward report, but Mr Moore was happy to advise the Portsmouth News (23 Dec) "The close proximity of mars and jupiter (in the sky) had obviously confused Mrs Cross". Mrs Cross, I gather, was rather.

Beware "The Toy of 1987" - destined to hit your store any day. My local MP - Doug Hoyle - about as interested in UFOs as he is blue ties - is demanding a 'danger to aircraft' enquiry. The toy is a kite that can reach 2000 ft. Its brand name? UFO-SAM. Heaven help us!

WELSH WAVE - AUTUMN 1986 (1) Margaret Fry

We must be grateful to Margaret for more detailed accounts of an August-October wave in Clwyd and Gwynedd that makes North Wales again the focus of attention.

On 23 August (Case 8626) Mrs Griffiths was walking her dog near Mold. It was 09.30 am, a bright sunny Sunday. In the sky was a conical object that was just hovering and rotating. As it spun it gave out a ray of light at an angle. This was like a laser beam, she remarks, and was coloured white and blue/green in different flashes. It elongated some distance and then cut off. During about thirty minutes observation it was mostly static but then began to drift off towards Loggerheads and Ruthin. As it did so it seemed to turn on edge, with the beam now appearing to come out of the base. Two boys were the only people to pass by during her vigil, but they refused to look and passed by as if she were mad. An aircraft did fly over near the object, from which Mrs Griffiths got the impression it was not very high. I imagine we must consider some military helicopter as a possibility.



On 25 September (Case 8627) the wave really began in earnest, and for the next two weeks North Wales was a blaze of interest. The location was Llanfair Talhaiarn (Llanfair TH as it is known!) This is a small mountain village some miles south of Abergelle, Clwyd. On this occasion two school boys reported a cluster of lights over the valley. Time was 9pm. As they are interested in stars they were puzzled by them. Other people in the area saw things that night too, it seems.

Whilst investigating this innocuous case Margaret uncovered quite a story. Most of one boy's family had seen things. These included his uncle, who lives near Mr Preston, the man who saw a 'shrimp coloured bullet' near his oak tree on 5 July 1984. The uncle, Mr Hughes, had quite unbeknownst witnessed the same thing at the same time!

The boys' father had seen something even more interesting. This was late August 1985 and he was returning home by motorbike on the small (un-numbered) road that passes between Llanfair TH and Llanefydd. The thing he saw was on the ground! It was dome shaped with large windows. Despite the narrow road and precarious hilly position he shot off from there as fast as he could into the gathering twilight. Quite by chance an independent witness to this (or an identical) event was found by Margaret and her husband when he stopped in the midst of the road to chat to a CB enthusiast! The man's wife - Mrs Hawley - was able to report the sighting of a domed object with windows, yellow stone in colour and like a "Moslem Mosque". It was on the ground near Llanfair TH - although there are no farm houses to explain such a sight. And it happened in bright sunlight in the middle of the day! Date is uncertain but "it was about the time of the earthquake - we think it was 5 July 1984".



Of the other sightings on that late September 1986 night, we should note the one from Mrs White of Prestatyn and Mrs Lambert of Rhyl, returning from their yoga class on Rhyl promenade at 9.10 pm. They saw what they term "a rectangular room with a couple of windows" that moved slowly from the sea, across the front and over their heads. "It was the length of two saloon cars and at this stage had only the suggestion of windows. It made no sound." It headed off to the SSW and was estimated as only 200' high.

Prestatyn was now destined to become the centre of the interwoven cases which brought the wave to the attention of the national media and TV. It would involve UFOs, poltergeists and photographs. The story will be continued in the next issue.

BRIEF CASES:-

Some current investigations



My thanks to reader Alan Foster of Wallasey who sends details of sightings by a workmate at Manweb John, who wishes anonymity, was evacuated, age 12, during WWII and spent time at Coed-Talon, near Mold, Clwyd (see previous page).

In 1941 at this venue John saw a bright object glinting in the sky, which he took to be a free floating barrage balloon. The sun reflected off it so brightly he had to shield his eyes as it suddenly began to drift off east. Then 'it began to climb very rapidly at a speed which in 1941 was unheard of'. Of course his friends 'just smiled when I told them'. Alan wonders if this was a foe fighter?

John's second sighting was a long time later - during 1973 when he was on a wall at Heswall, Wirral, and saw a cylindrical object over the Dee Estuary which hovered for a time and then shot off very fast towards Oakenholt/Flint (where else!)

Then, early in 1986, he had his final encounter - at another hot spot! He was in his van on the M53 heading for Woodchurch, Birkenhead, and close to the Bidston Hill location of two recent encounters! Over St Saviours Church, Orton, he saw a wallnut shaped object which seemed to sway from side to side before heading off towards Greasby.

Alan Foster comments about this last sighting that John did not know about either Bidston Hill encounter on the M53 until he was shown NUN and Peter Hough's article in the November issue of 'The Unknown'. He adds, 'It is quite correct that I.O.M. flights into Liverpool Airport do regularly use a flight path over the Hill. However, about four or five years ago two of my workmates witnessed a UFO over Bidston Moss Viaduct on the M53. It was cylindrical in shape and suddenly vanished from view as they joined the motorway from the New Brighton feeder road. I am trying to coax one of them to put the story down on paper.'

Perhaps someone should plan a skywatch on Bidston Hill!

MUFORA Case 5914 August 1959 10.00 Chester, Cheshire Level C SP 2-6

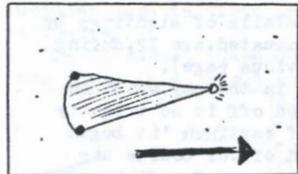
This report comes from a 67 year old retired naval officer and aircraft designer, who is now a consultant. His experience in aviation matters was sufficient for MUFORA to look into this seemingly mundane case, and Roy Sanbach handled enquiries. FHL, the witness, first saw it at 10 am on a dull, overcast day with no wind. It was in the S and looked hazy with the misty cloud but was "comparable to say Jodrell Bank telescope in complexity". The object drifted very slowly NNW for eleven hours and was last seen in fading gloom - apparently very high. FHL studied it through binoculars and says many others must have seen it. De Havilland, Chester, sent up a Vampire to investigate it, he alleges, but at its ceiling of 40,000 feet the object was no nearer. This strongly implied it had to be a high altitude research balloon. A check of the MUFORA records shows no case that fits for August 58, 59 or 60. But on 19 June 1959 what is almost certainly the case did get reported. There are three accounts. One from Derbyshire in the morning. Bolton at lunch time. And Clitheroe, north Lancs, at 16.30. All describe identical things. All were positively ID'd as a weather balloon. At Clitheroe two girls claimed they saw 'some jet aircraft hovering over the UFO' (!) CASE CLOSED AS BALLOON.

MUFORA Case 7347 September 1973 22.00 Lake District, Cumbria Level B SP3-3

Witnesses (now married, aged 18 and 23 at time) were in Lake District at unknown pub! The best they could offer investigator Georgina Mills was 'it was a bit hilly' - which narrows it down to about the whole of Cumbria! They were getting some fresh air when two white 'stars' appeared in front of them and then two more and finally, after breaks of a few seconds, more - making eight in all. They milled about in a random motion covering many degrees. One witness says they left the LITS still visible. The other says they vanished. It was a warm, dry night and the likelihood is that this was some kind of atmospheric haze effect on ordinary stars. MUFORA considered no reason to rate this case as unexplained.

AN EARLY F-19? November 1976 Lerwick, Shetland 03.00 Level C SP 5-5

If you wanted to test fly some new kind of jet plane where would you take it? The Californian desert, perhaps? Or - the remote Shetland Islands north of Scotland. When JT - a docker aged 35 at the time - saw his 'UFO', that was exactly where he was. He had been to a friend's house and was walking home in the early hours of a calm, dry but overcast night when he heard a strange low humming sound. "It was like a swarm of bees," he says. It was low pitched and with the street lights on he glanced up and down the deserted road in this small town to find the vehicle he assumed to be causing it. There was none.



However his 'truck with engine trouble', as he was thinking it to be, began to hum so loud that he had to cover his ears because the piercing noise was hurting. Then suddenly, below the low cloud and at an estimated 200', he saw the object apparently connected with the weird noise. It was a 'strange craft' moving at 'a fantastic speed' and he only saw it for a couple of seconds as it literally whoosed over him heading north. He was familiar with military aircraft, but not this one. It had the form of a triangle with curved back and with lights at each apex. The fore one was yellow. The other two red. When it had gone "I got a strange cold sensation and I can truthfully say it was no man-made craft from this planet"... Although, of course, it has many similarities with the F-19 and the 'silent vulcan' cases reported last issue. Next day JT went to the road and asked several people if they had seen anything. None had, but several reported getting out of bed at around 3am because of a terrific humming or buzzing in the sky. We do not seem to have any obvious answer here.

WAPIT Case 77-342 Unknown 1977 14.30 Wigan, Lancs Level D SP 5-3

Boy aged 9 at time says he saw two UFOs on playing fields of St Cuthberts School. Day was bright, clear, warm and dry and there was almost no cloud in the sky. A group of about ten were getting ready to play football with one teacher when the boy, M G, looked up and saw a stationary silver object with an arrow-head shape. The other boys looked, but the teacher, Mr Dean, dismissed it as a plane. Those who kept a look out say a second identical object appeared and drifted slowly towards the first one. When the tips touched there was a flash and the sky became empty again. The teacher was not looking at this point. The shape was clearly remembered 'because they were the same as the emblems on the officers shirts in Star Trek' WAPIT leave the case open. I can but suggest an electrical phenomenon. Seagulls, simply kites, or even planes turning line of sight and vanishing. Perhaps the question is Star Trek or Star Trick?



WHAT WOULD YOU DO? Case 78-284 March 1978 02.00 Heywood, Lancs Level D SP 6-3

Here is a poser for you: Miss KS, who 'was not drunk, as I am not keen on alcohol - I don't like the taste' advises how she was coming home by taxi from the Candy Peel, a local nightspot. In a field she saw a white shining globe with the top hidden in mist but apparently close by and low. Whilst superficially this sounds like the moon and ground mist - she then adds, 'the strange thing is that neither the taxi-driver nor I spoke... Everything stopped, even my thoughts. The next thing I remember is that I was almost home. I don't recall the distance between'. She did not mention it to her sister (who was babysitting) because 'I just seemed to have forgotten about it'. But, in the morning when her boyfriend called to collect her sister (who had stayed the night) he told of a light in the sky seen by him at 2.30 am - as he was leaving his job as doorman at the Candy Peel! This immediately triggered the memory of KS about her sighting. She claims that since that day her life has changed. She now cares about animal rights, stopped smoking, stopped eating foods with additives and became 100 per cent more happy overnight. What would you do with this? Try regression hypnosis? MUFORA has passed on that.

MUFORA Case 8176 Howden Reservoir, Derbyshire Level B SP3-5 Georgina Mills

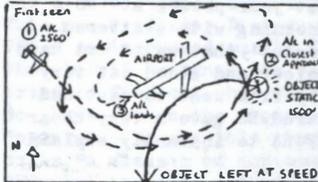
The date was October/November 1981 - a Sunday at about 23.45 hours. The two witnesses Mr IM (now 34 and an engineer) and Mrs ED (now 38 and a teacher) were bored, so went for a late night drive into the High Peak. They turned off the A57 'Snake Pass' to the desolate terrain around the reservoir - virtually no habitation for miles around here (ten miles west of Sheffield on the border with S. Yorkshire). The road reaches a cul-de-sac on the north-west shore of Howden and they stopped here and turned around. Then IM saw a blue/white LITS NW of the water and glowing "ten times as bright as venus". There was no sound. It moved at a fast speed "like that of a military jet" but then slowed on its SE course to a virtual standstill. Then it began to 'descend at 10 miles an hour like a very slow parachute into some trees'. It then moved either into or behind these trees WSW of them, just over a mile away. The hills are high and steep at this point and there is no road. It then appeared to climb again to about 1000 feet above the hills, after being 'in' the trees for a couple of minutes. They turned around again, so that the object was out of sight, and drove away fast. The sky was cloudy with patches of clear sky, but quite bright, as a three-quarter moon lit part of the sky elsewhere. They drove home to Gossop, near Hyde, and stopped at Gossop police station to report it. They suggested it might have been a distress flare (although IM says it was in the sky too long - about 3/4 minutes in all). The police had no missing persons reports and were not interested in it as a UFO. Aside from suggesting an aircraft heading into Manchester (West of them), with landing light on, MUFORA has no other ideas as to origin.

MUFORA Case 8541 Hadfield, Derbyshire Level B SP 4-3 Georgina Mills

Mr AJ is a childrens book illustrator who was aged 41 at time of sighting, in October 1985. He had been in the RAF police and heard tales of UFOs then, but claimed no interest and to have read no books. However, he saw several on his bookshelf (including ones by Berlitz). The witness claimed they were not his, but 'just there to fill up space on his shelf'. AJ also alleges that whilst based at RAF Coleby Grange in Lincolnshire he was witness to the sounds of a phantom Lancaster bomber on the anniversary of a WWII bombing raid that ended in its fatal crash at the base. Many others have also seen or heard things. As to his UFO encounter, AJ was walking along a town centre road at 1pm on a sunny autumn day. He saw an oval rugby ball shaped object over houses at the end of the road. It seemed to be motionless and he had it in view about 2 minutes as he walked towards it. As he got nearer perspective made it disappear behind the rooves. Within 15 seconds he had moved to a position where it should have been visible again. There was no sign of it. AJ says the only place it could have gone is along Longendale Valley, but so much of this is visible that to be out of sight in such a short time its speed would be phenomenal. He considered and rejected both airships and balloons. One possibility MUFORA considered was a tethered balloon or kite that was pulled down in the 15 seconds of invisibility.

ANOTHER MID-AIR ENCOUNTER Case 8625 7 June 1986 Cambridge Airport Level C (4-8)

Witness SS saw an article by your editor in the AIR UK 'in-flight' magazine. He is a former RAF pilot who now, at 46, is a company director for a precision systems firm. He also has an MA from Oxford and is clearly an excellent witness. At about noon on the date in question he was piloting an RAF Chipmunk into the Airport. Weather was warm and breezy with scattered cumulus cloud but excellent visibility. He was at 2500' on his descent in a circuit over the field when he saw a bright point of light that he took to be a child's toy balloon with sun shining off it. It seemed stationary at around 1500' on the SE margin of the airport. After about 45



seconds of a descending turn, heading towards it, the object began to move very fast SE in an arc that was diametrically opposed to his. He was by now level with it and within 500 yards of the object (seen only as pinhead sized light). The move gave a sense of utter disorientation and made the ground spin. He was asked about possible canopy reflections, but is certain the object was real with a

definite motion. The ground radio was very busy at the time so he decided not to report it. He was able to follow the light as it accelerated away over the Gog Magog Golf Course (site of some locally famous ancient hill figures, now obscured). On the ground he reported it in the crew room. Nobody else had seen it or had a solution to offer h.m. Earthlight - perhaps?

ANIMAL DISTURBANCE IN OLDHAM?

Georgina Mills

MUFORA Case 8628 30 September 1986 22.15 Shaw, Oldham, Lancs Level B SP4-3

Miss AP is a stallholder on a local market, aged 22. On the date in question she was walking her dogs on waste ground in front of Hawk Mill, which makes cushion covers. As she was throwing bricks for the animals to chase she observed a row of lights in front of and to the side of the factory chimney. There were five or six and they were yellowish/white. The top of the chimney was covered by mist and so the shape of the object surrounding the LITS was not very apparent. However the bottom was sharply defined and the sides appeared rounded. There was no sound. At no time did the UFO move and her total sighting lasted 15 minutes. Height above the ground was 120 feet, based on the chimney height. She went in, because the night was cold and tried to interest her boyfriend to come and see the object, but he said it was too cold to bother. There is no direct evidence that the dogs saw or responded to it, but both (a Jack Russell and an Afghan/Alsatian cross) ran around the field ignoring her calls - an allegedly unusual behaviour pattern. MUFORA did consider the suggestion of a lighted gantry doing repair work on the chimney. However, no evidence of this exists and the weather conditions seem inadvisable. Next morning there was no sign of the object by the mill.



NLUFOIG Case 8629 11 November 1986 17.15 Lancaster, Lancs Level B SP 2-5

Woman, daughter and granddaughter travelling north on the A6 from Preston to Lancaster, near the University. Observed silver/blue LITS in north that passed by slowly as they drove and then stopped. As it passed, heading south, it changed to orange/red and vanished into cloud. Total duration 6 minutes. Considered by witness to be unusual - although light aircraft possible. Investigation by Gordon Barraclough and Ian Crewswell.

NLUFOIG Case 8630 14 November 1986 19.50 Morecambe, Lancs Level B SP 3-5

Man and wife aged about 20 were returning from shopping when they saw an orange LITS in south. It appeared to move north in surges and hover over housing estate before disappearing when car went over hill. Returned home - half a mile away - and discovered battery clocks in both kitchen and lounge had lost 20 minutes. No other clocks in house effected, and watches worn during the estimated 2 minutes of the sighting kept normal time. Investigation Gordon Barraclough.

MUFORA Case 8631 17 November 1986 05.40 Hemlington, Cleveland Level C SP 2-2

RO - 39 year old dock worker - reports sighting to test your powers at IFO spotting. He was waiting for the works bus, on a cold morning with scattered cloud, when he observed an object 'like a fireworks rocket', that would not have been out of place on November 5th. It was orange in colour and stood out very markedly against the darkened sky. It flew horizontally from west to east and was in view about 2 seconds before it simply disappeared. RO gave a very clear account in letter and on report form that allowed MUFORA to instantly explain this case. Can you? (Turn page upside down)

(RO was told he saw a bright fireball meteor. He had not thought of this because he assumed it would fall vertically from the sky. In fact long duration ones often skim the atmosphere and so appear to travel horizontally.)

CASE HISTORIES



THE AMAZING HISTORY OF A DUBIOUS PHOTO

The original letter from Mrs AL was very promising. An honours graduate and head of classics teaching for 22 years the now retired lady was clearly very well educated. At 60 and retired she had undergone her first strange experience and in true academic style had tried hard to have this correctly evaluated. Some of the responses are most intriguing.

Mrs AL was at a country park near Lower Penarth, Wales, about 5 miles south of Cardiff by the coast. It was between 14.00 and 14.30 on 16 November 1983 and the weather was clear and sunny. However, within half an hour it clouded over and caused her to quit her photographic exercises early.

She was using a Praktica camera which was a new model to her and she was having problems with the light meter - so her attention was very distracted. Her subject was swans on a lake - this being a nature reserve - and she also adds that one Cob was heading for her in a rather aggressive manner, so she had yet another thing to pay attention to. Because of all these things she took one shot of the swans and paid no attention to the sky, before departing for another lake area.

As soon as the prints were returned she saw that this picture of the swans had a peculiar object in it. This was 'above and beyond the projecting branch of trees in the background of the lake' (these being about 900 feet from the camera at the time). It was, to her mind, rather like the UFOs she had heard about - being 'disc' like with a 'tube' over it and surrounding by a 'haze' (it has been a cold day - so there was no heat haze).

Ultimately, she took the print and negative to the shop which had had them processed. The photographer there pointed out they had been factory processed but he examined the image and stated it was not due to a film or developing fault but appeared to be a real object in the sky. He confessed to being baffled and made the proposal that Mrs AL have an enlargement made. She agreed.

Meanwhile the photographer had been checking other sources for ideas. RAF St Athan, about 8 miles west of the 'sighting' area, were called and expressed enough interest in seeing the print that they were sent this and an enlargement. Later they told the witness that both had been forwarded to the MoD in London as part of their routine UFO investigation work! In a further approach a Mr Harpur had locally expressed interest in UFO cases and was sufficiently excited to send it to Ground Saucer Watch in the USA for computer study. Mrs AL never heard any more on this.

Randall Jones-Pugh, former MUFORA investigator, also got in on the act in early 1984. This was just at the time when he was quitting ufology because he had put the subject down to 'dangerous demons' and his correspondence with Mrs AL was, as she puts it, "hinting at the occult (but) so difficult to read that I still have not deciphered some of it". RJP took a print to an Italian UFO conference where it was pronounced a "genuine UFO" - the witness being informed to this effect.

She also contacted a Professor at Cardiff University (Head of astronomy there). This man, Professor Disney, wanted to take the picture to show Allan Hynek in the USA - so impressed was he. This, of course, never occurred due to the sad events that befell Dr Hynek. So - having heard nothing for months from the MoD - Mrs AL tried to find out what they were up to. The MoD would, as we know but witnesses never do, have sat on the photographs and said nothing. When she demanded them back "pronto" - as she told them! - they obliged with an explanatory letter which she calls "a class of noncommittal wordiness". This, said the MoD, don't investigate UFOs, but they are all stars, balloons, aircraft etc. As she says, "I know they didn't investigate UFOs - which is why I did not send it to them in the first place!"

All these ports of call - each reinforcing Mrs AL's verdict of a UFO on the film. Then, at last, it found its way to MUFORA.

After preliminary assessment and study of our own enlargement MUFORA was fairly



certain of the answer. This was easily confirmed by getting a professional photographer to look at it, with full details of the background situation and circumstances of how the photograph came to be taken. Our verdict was verified. The object on the picture is a bird - possibly a seagull - frozen in flight by the shutter speed of the camera. Its wings are at an odd angle

which accounts for some of the difficulties in evaluation. And there is a white streak - which might be thin cloud - that is a little confusing, as it appears just above the object. Given the coastal location and it being a wildlife area it is utterly incredible to MUFORA that professors, UFO 'experts' and RAF officers should have spent more than five minutes considering this to be a UFO!

ON A RATHER FAMOUS NIGHT

MUFORA Case (Phil Powell & Roy Sandbach)

Case 8097 29 December 1980 21.00 Oakgrove, Macclesfield, Cheshire Level A (6-6)

Mr RH runs his own business and is married with two small children. He is sure about the date for two reasons. He knew it was only just after Christmas and the following week the Stockport Messenger carried stories about many UFO sightings, which turns out to be the Cosmos breakup of 26 December. Indeed he called the paper when he saw these stories but his was 'just another' and they were not interested! RH had seen a good deal more than the lights in the sky which the press had been excited about.

Assuming the date is correct two points spring to mind. It is the same night as the famous Rendlesham Forest "Halt tape" was recorded. It is also the same date and time (locally) as the Cash-Lundrum affair in Texas.

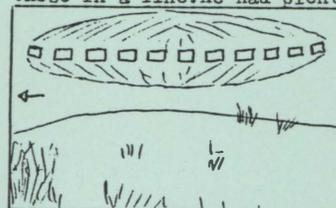
RH was driving home to Congleton, where they lived at the time. He was on the A523 Macclesfield-Leek road and had just passed a pub called the Fools Nook. This is about two miles south of Macclesfield and close to the village of Oakgrove. To the roadside there is a canal and some reservoirs and the slope rises quite steeply to the east, beyond which is Macclesfield Forest. Many trees obscure the view from the road, even during winter. My fortune the MUFORA reconstruction took place on 31 December 1986. This may explain why, although other traffic passed by whilst RH was parked looking at the object, nobody else appears to have seen it.



In the car with RH was his son (then 4). Immediately behind, in a second car, was his wife and her other son. It was a clear night with a little cloud. To the left (ie SE) RH noticed a reddish light. He momentarily lost this, as the road went through some bends at this position. When he straightened up again it was still visible above a hill. He took about a minute to drive towards it and was able to see - as he approached - that it took the form of a dome and appeared to be hovering above the hill.

Finding a lay-by RH pulled in and stopped. His wife did so behind him and was now shown the UFO. It did not appear to be more than 50 feet above the top of the hill. RH was out of the car and set off to climb up the hillside that rises steeply right from the edge of the road. As soon as he began this movement, he claims, the UFO responded by moving off towards the NW (ie towards Macclesfield). This was an extremely slow motion. He estimates that it travelled at no more than 30 MPH. As it began to move away its appearance altered. The red dome disappeared and in its place was a rectangle filled with glowing lights.

RH says that the object at this stage was about 80 feet across and just 10 feet deep. The windows were about 7 feet by 4 feet and there were approximately 11 of these in a line. He had plenty of time to take these details in as the speed of the craft was so extraordinarily slow. Another very strange feature was recognised at this point. As the thing travelled away to the north it retained the same appearance. Perspective did not alter the manifestation of these windows. The implication of this is that they were circular around a circular object. On the phone to JR he also said that it passed almost directly overhead at one stage and then was almost invisible. 'It must have been black underneath' he concluded. It took several more minutes for the object to be lost from view behind trees off to the north west.



During this flight a low rumbling noise was heard. This was not loud. Obviously the question of an aircraft was discussed at length. Living near to Manchester Airport these are frequently seen by RH, and his family, but the sound is totally different. 'Had it been a Harrier jet as close as it was then we would have been deafened' he told JR. The windows were also the wrong shape for aircraft (ie very definite rectangles and not ovals) glowed much too bright. The height was so low that an aircraft would have been in deep trouble, he added.

MUFORA seriously pondered the aircraft theory. There is no question that the flight path followed by the object would take it straight into Manchester, just a few miles north. A low flying, slow moving, idling plane could be seen like this. JR pointed out how she has been on the hills near Macclesfield and seen airliners flying straight into Ringway during the day - so low that you are momentarily convinced they must be crashing. The height and at which you are yourself creates an illusion of low height for the plane. Manchester Airport had no records to say one way or the other whether a plane might have been landing on that date. But 9pm is a common time for landings at the airport.

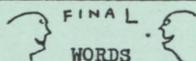
All factors considered the aircraft evaluation seems probable, despite RH's certainty. But, of course, there are other factors. The similarity with the famous Ashbourne UFO case investigated by NUFOS in 1979. This is only a few miles of the area. There were also 'mystery helicopter' sightings from the Macclesfield area in 1971-73 (see UFO Brigantia-Jan/Feb 1987) which have much similarity. Were these all aircraft? Then there is the Rendlesham Forest incidents. And, perhaps most important of all, the second sighting - this time by RH alone - in broad daylight the very next day (ie 30 December 1980)!

It was about 09.00 (ie about twelve hours after the above sighting). On this occasion he was driving on towards Macclesfield and was only a few hundred yards further north. This time he only saw an object for a few seconds. It seemed to rise up from fields to the north west and cross the road very low down. It then vanished towards Sutton reservoirs to the west. He saw no detail of this particular object, but it was bright silver and shaped like a coke tin. He estimates its size to be similar to that of a mini car.

MUFORA can think of no obvious solution to this case, except perhaps a balloon of some description. But it would be quite a coincidence for the two UFOs to be seen in such close up fashion at practically the same spot within less than one day!

RH professes no sightings before or since December 1980 and no paranormal experiences - except, at age 3, when he saw a 'ballof light' hovering a few feet over the road where he lived. This he had always been told was ball lightning and from his description does seem like it. The gentleman seems to have quite a propensity for seeing unusual aerial phenomena!

On the map marks the next closest village with (amazingly, in view of the Rendlesham Forest link) the name of WARREN !!



1987 is a year that has been anticipated since the last British wave in 1977. But a lot has happened since then. Spielberg's movie seems to have killed off the UFOs. Will the 'ten year cycle' be repeated and '77, '78, '79 and '80 be followed by a brand new resurgence? The next few months will tell. But certainly - with the 40th anniversary of the Kenneth Arnold case in June there is bound to be media attention. MUFON are staging a major event in Washington DC, spread over three days at the weekend immediately following the 24th June. Hilary Evans will be representing UK ufology. It promises to be quite a celebration. Even before then two ~~new~~ books will emerge in the USA with huge promotion budgets. First off (indeed I will be reviewing it next issue) is "Communion" from Whitley Streiber - a famous novelist. This is a true story of his recent CE4 experiences and, as it is the first time a big American celebrity has gone public with his abduction account, it is bound to focus attention. Soon after, Budd Hopkins (who was involved in the Streiber case) publishes his long awaited sequel to 'Missing Time', detailing recent work on hypnotic regression CE4s that he believes to have proven alien reality and to have uncovered the reasons for contact. As Budd is a serious and careful researcher this will be no oversensationalised twaddle - and let us hope ripples make it over here this Spring. Keep your eyes open.

Keep a look out between April and June for UFO books here. The 40th anniversary will not pass un-noticed. Tim God's book 'Above Top Secret' is about the cover-up and should stir feelings. I also have a book called 'The UFO Conspiracy' - which is focused on government research worldwide, but is also a review of the first forty years of UFO study. And, of course, the BUFORA book edited by Hilary Evans could be the UFO event of the decade - a 400 page survey of the entire field, forty years on, with chapters contributed by a galaxy of famous ufologists which I could not possibly name, but include new works from Keel, Vallée and so on.

Who is going to be able to ignore the UFO phenomenon this spring and summer?

THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS: - UPDATE

Papers for this are shaping up nicely (more next time). But there will be presentations and representations from all over the world, and if you are not there you will be one of the few serious ufologists who won't be! Three packed days - and almost certainly optional events on the Thursday and Monday too - if you really want to make a holiday out of it. PLACES ARE LIMITED IN NUMBER - so do be advised to reserve one in advance. Cost is not prohibitive. £10 per day or £25 for all three. Gala dinner on first night is £12.50. But all other meals will be taken as you wish in your own little clichés. There is a wide choice near the centre from full restaurants to open-all-hours burger bars. Many delegates will be visiting Garfunkles - just down the road. Accommodation is up to you also. There are A FEW B & B rooms at the centre but much cheaper hotel accommodation is on offer locally and if you know a BUFORA member or have a friend in London why not ask about a put-me-up. Flexibility is part of the planning of this event. Nobody should feel outpriced. DATES: - JULY 10 / 11 / 12 1987. VENUE: - LONDON BUSINESS SCHOOL, near Baker St Tube. SEND SAE FOR DETAILS/ORDER FORM TO: - CONGRESS 87 (16 South Way Burgess Hill Sussex RH15 9ST)

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