

"The Surrey Investigation Group on Aerial Phenomena is affiliated to the 'British Unidentified Flying Object Research Association' and their united aims are to promote the unbiased investigation and research into Unidentified Flying Object Phenomena".
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December Activity Reports.

A very quiet month for reports, due partly to the extensive overcast skies experienced and no doubt with everyones preoccupation of the festive season. We actually received five reports, including three concerning sightings in November, they are listed below.

S79 a & b 15/11/67 5.30pm.

Bruge Button (SIGAP) and two other witnesses watched two red lights flying over West Wickham, Kent. They appeared from the South and headed North, the lights did not flash as on an aircraft and they travelled extremely fast. There was no sound heard at the time of the sighting and the angle of elevation was 20 to 25°. When the lights were in the Eastern part of the sky, they suddenly became stationary and then moved off to the South again, disappearing behind a building. After approx three minutes, they re-appeared again, this time accompanied by a third object and it was noticed that all three lights were pulsating and they performed various aerobatics until approx 6pm when they were lost from sight.

S80 5/12/67 5.30pm.

Miss C.D. Nelson reported a star like object moving from North to East, this was later identified as the satellite Echo 2.

S81. 5/12/67 5pm.

Miss Brenda Nixon and two other witnesses watched a flashing red circular object, travelling from the North East to the West, over Guildford. It made no sound and was described as being 'considerably bigger than a star'.

S.78. 5/12/67 1.50pm.

Murray Holt reported seeing a strange object in the sky, while walking by Guildford Grammar School. He first noticed the object glistening in the sun at an elevation of 60° while looking towards the South East. It was seen for half a minute before being lost from sight behind a building.



Car Stickers

We are enclosing one of the new SIGAP car stickers with each Newsletter this month. The stickers are free to members and any additional stickers may be purchased from Dick Beet at 3d each. We have been able to supply one free sticker per member, as a result of finding a lower cost supplier. We have further enquiries out for envelope stickers with similar wording and these may also be available in the near future.

Reserve the 16th of January.

Our NEXT MEETING will be on January 16th at 8pm in the canteen of Plastic Coatings LTD, on the Guildford By-Pass.

The speakers will be :- John Adams, B.Sc., F.R.Met.S. "Spectroscopic Analysis" Contd

This talk will be invaluable to the members of the group who are equipped with the 35mm frames containing treated film which is capable of showing a spectra .when held in front of a light source (UFO we hope).

Mr Ron Toft (who has written an article this month) will give a talk on 'Astronomy', a helpful guide to all sky watchers.

We look forward to a 'full house' on the night, (SIGAP now has 47 members).

In The News This Month.

The Group received several write ups' in the local and national press over the 'Creature Report' (S77.) and the investigation of the Caravelle crash (S75). We declined to give an opinion on either incident, but we succeeded in drawing the public's attention to both cases. It is only by such publicity that we can make the public aware of the strange incidents that are happening in our countryside and thereby increase the chances of even more strange happenings being reported and investigated by our Group - BUTORA.

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UFO's and Air Disasters.

Date. 10th June 1960.

Location. Mackay Australia.

E.H.Tindale, Radar observer in charge of the Mackay 'met' office, stated that he had twice plotted an Unidentified Craft on the night on which an airliner mysteriously crashed. Both plots of the UFO were made in the area where the main wreckage of the airliner was found. Tindale testified that he had plotted the UFO at 10.30pm and again at 11.30pm. The Brisbane board of enquiry stated that the cause of the crash was unknown and that aircraft experts were unable to offer any explanation.

Date. 29th Sept. 1959.

Location. Buffalo U.S.A.

10.37pm. Braniff Airways Flight 542 left Huston for New York.

At about this time UFO reports were coming in from around Buffalo, including a report from a U.S.A.F. Major who was piloting a C-47 aircraft. :- Within minutes, the Braniff airliner had been torn into thousands of fragments..... Bomb or UFO ?

R.Beet.

Now UFO's In Poland.

Poland's network of meteorological stations is to keep an official watch during 1968 for 'Flying Saucers'.....

Newsletter Articles.

We welcome contributions for the Newsletter from all members of the Group, but we do wish to point out that the printed articles do not necessarily reflect the views of S.I.G.A.P.

A Stop Press UFO Report.

The very latest UFO report to arrive concerns a golden cigar shaped object sighted over Mytchett, Surrey in mid October. Mr Paul Hodges of Grove Farm stated that he saw a long cigar shaped object that was golden in colour. It appeared to be a size of 5" at arms length and was in view for two minutes and no doors or windows were visible. Suddenly the cigar began to disintegrate and within three seconds it was gone.

WAS CHRIST AN INTELLIGENT BEINGFROM ANOTHER WORLD?By Ron Toft

Flying saucers first hit the headlines in June 1947 when American businessman Kenneth Arnold saw nine silver discs darting in and out of the snowy peaks of Mount Rainier, in the State of Washington. He estimated their speed at between 1,200 and 1,700 m.p.h.

But this wasn't the first sighting by any means, although many people seem to think so. Records of mysterious aerial objects go back hundreds of years. They are even mentioned in the Bible. As well as sightings of saucer, globular and cigar-shaped objects, there have been numerous reports of these craft actually landing and even contact made with their occupants. Reliable people have described a variety of alien beings which they claim to have seen. Last November, for example, we had a report of a bell-shaped entity with a white rectangular head, seen near Winterfold, Surrey. Unfortunately few people, other than ufologists, believe such reports. The bewildered layman finds it difficult enough to even consider the possibility that unseen eyes in the sky are watching his every move, without being told that a many tentacled creature was seen proceeding through Epping Forest! But as with UFO reports, a number of contact claims are undoubtedly the work of hoaxers. George Adamski and his Venusians come to mind here, although I should like to be proved wrong. Yet there have been so many contact claims that it would be absurd not to believe them.

However, of the visitation of one extraterrestrial there can be no doubt, for he was seen by literally hundreds of thousands of people. He even had a name - Jesus Christ. I believe that Christ was not the son of the Universal Creator but a messenger of goodwill from another civilisation - almost certainly outside our solar-system. In my view the Universal God is not a supreme being, but merely some sort of dynamic force, perhaps akin to but certainly billions of times more powerful than gravitation or magnetism, both of which we still know little about. It is pointless speculating on the nature of this force or attributing any qualities to it. Our ignorance of it is complete. We are being very big-headed indeed, if we think that the supreme being - even if there was one - would send his only son to this insignificant speck of cosmic dust. The Earth is only one of nine known planets orbiting a very average star. The sun is only one of 100,000 million other stars in a very ordinary galaxy. And the Milky Way is only one of countless other galaxies in the observable Universe. There must be therefore, millions of other inhabited planets distributed throughout the Cosmos. Why should our hypothetical supreme being choose us?

I find it much more plausible to look upon Christ as an alien being from a tremendously advanced race of creatures, whose sole purpose was to show Man the error of his ways. Who then, you might say, is the God mentioned in the Bible? As well as being Christ's father, I think he was the King, or a sort of ruler if you like, of the planet where Christ came from. Obviously our "planetary" God could not have created the Universe, although the one mentioned in Genesis, The First Book of the Bible, apparently did. Though I am inclined to put this down as speculation by the ancient scribe who wrote Genesis, especially as a large part of the Book is inaccurate. For example, according to Genesis, God made the Earth, the seas, dry land, grass, trees and herbs, before the sun, moon and stars. One wonders how the plants carried out photosynthesis without sunlight! Genesis also states that land creatures were created before sea creatures, contrary to geological thinking.

Ask any religious leader how long life has existed on Earth and he will tell you: "A few thousand years". Geologists on the other hand say that primitive forms of life were in existence well over 1,000 million years ago. It seems therefore, that Genesis is a mixture of speculation and legend, and the material contained in it need not be considered in the present argument.

The suggestion that Christ was an extraterrestrial may shock and indeed disgust many people, especially those who are deeply religious. But let us examine the facts. First of all, Christ arrived on Earth in very mysterious circumstances. Angel Gabriel, God's messenger and also an alien, came to Earth and told the Virgin Mary that she would give birth to Jesus, the Son of God. The Holy Spirit would make her pregnant. Jesus would be miraculously transformed from his "heavenly state" into a human baby in Mary's womb. The real Christ, as he existed on his home planet, may have been invisible to our eyes or even repulsive. So in order to carry out his work he had to take on a human appearance. But if he suddenly arrived on Earth as a mature man, awkward questions may have been asked. The most innocent way of arriving was to be "re-born". We all know the story of Christ's birth. Mary and her husband Joseph travelled to Bethlehem in order to comply with a registration decree. However, there was no room at the inns for them, and Christ was subsequently born in a stable and laid in an animal's food manger. Less than two years later three astrologers from the East saw what appeared to be a brilliant star in the sky. This "star" led them to Jerusalem, where they asked: "Where is the one born King of the Jews. For we saw his star in the east". (Matthew; Chap. 2 v. 2). Only those three men knew exactly when the star would appear. This seems to indicate that the aliens had told them - perhaps by telepathy - that Christ had been born and that they were to look out for his star. And it was that very star which later guided them to Bethlehem and hovered over the house where Mary and Joseph were staying. Was this "star" in fact a UFO. From the description we have of it, it seems to have been very similar to the one seen by the Devonshire policemen last October. Astronomers may say that the Star of Bethlehem was a supernova - or an exploding star - a comet, or merely several planets in the same line of sight. But no planet, comet or star moves and then hovers, which is exactly what the Star of Bethlehem did. Last October Government officials tried to explain away the star-like object seen by the policemen as the planet Venus. However, although Venus may be a mysterious body, it certainly doesn't travel at 80 m.p.h. and hover at tree-top height! Not a very intelligent explanation from supposedly intelligent men.

When Jesus was 12 years old Mary and Joseph took him to Jerusalem for the passover celebrations. Afterwards he was found in the temple discussing God's Word with the prophets. The fact that Jesus came from a very intelligent race of people is shown by the wealth of knowledge he possessed as a boy. Then when Christ grew up there were his fantastic healing powers. People from far and wide brought their mentally and physically sick friends and relatives to him. He cured them all. Remember Lazarus? He fell sick, died and was entombed. When Jesus arrived on the scene he had already been dead for four days. But the stone was rolled away from the entrance to the tomb and Jesus called out. Lazarus rose from the dead and walked out into the sunlight. An alien being capable of travelling from his own planet to Earth would not only be tremendously more advanced than us in technology.....but medicine too.

+The form in which Jesus existed on his home planet.

After Christ's crucifixion one of his disciples took his body and placed it in a newly hewn tomb. To prevent theft of the body the evil religious leaders had a boulder rolled across the entrance and a guard placed outside. On the third day after the crucifixion Christ was raised from the dead by God. There was an earthquake. An angel - also an alien - descended and rolled away the boulder - to reveal an empty tomb. After his resurrection Christ appeared before his disciples on a number of occasions. There was no question of it being Christ, for the marks of the nails and blows were clearly visible. Yet he was different. He appeared and disappeared suddenly and could pass through closed doors. Christ was probably existing in a different plane of matter now. On the fortieth day of his resurrection, Christ led his disciples to the summit of the Mount of Olives, near Jerusalem. He told them that they would find strength in the special power ("The Holy Spirit") which he would send them. Then he ascended into the sky. "He was lifted up and a cloud caught him up from their vision. And as they were gazing into the sky while he was on his way, two men in white garments stood alongside them, and they said: 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus who was received up from you into the sky will come thus in the same manner as you have beheld him going into the sky'" (Acts of Apostles; Chap. 1 v. 9-11). Undoubtedly this brilliant cloud which took Christ away from his disciples was a UFO. And the men in white who spoke to the disciples afterwards were in all probability aliens too.

Ten days after Christ's ascension the disciples felt new power surging through their bodies. "Now while the festival of Pentecost was in progress they were all together at the same place, and suddenly there occurred from heaven a noise just like that of a rushing stiff breeze, and it filled the whole house in which they were sitting. And tongues as if of fire became visible to them and were distributed about, and one sat upon each of them, and they all became filled with Holy Spirit and started to speak with foreign tongues". (Acts of Apostles; Chap. 2 v. 1-4). This was the special power which Christ had promised his disciples. However, it is impossible to say what sort of power this was. Clearly even today we do not know all the forces at work in the Universe.

Without a doubt the greatest event in history would be the demonstration to mankind as a whole of the existence of flying saucers. And it may just be, that a mass landing is nearer than we think. When Christ was ascending into the sky he told his disciples: "I am with you all the day until the conclusion of the system of things". (Matthew; Chap. 28 v. 20). Christ must have been referring to Armageddon when he said "the conclusion of the system of things". Armageddon - when everything evil will be wiped out - will take place in 1975 according to Jehovah's Witnesses. If this is so, we haven't got long to wait. The ridicule we bear now as UFO investigators will have been well worth it if we witness a mass landing of saucers in our lifetimes.

I can't wait to see a saucer land in Hyde Park and hear red-faced officials at Whitehall saying: "It's only Venus you know!"

