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At our January meeting Sid told us about an article appearing in the Dec. 29/81 issue of the National Enquirer. This article stated that four people had been murdered by a UFO, in Parnarama, Brazil. Sid phoned the National Equirer in Florida and spoke to Thomas Muldoon, the author of the article, requesting more information. Mr. Muldoon said he would send Sid more information - hopefully. Sid wrote a letter to Brazil, to the police officer involved in the case, asking for more data, if possible. We can only wait to see if Sid's efforts pay off.

The Dec. 29/81 issue of Toronto Star had an article about a policeman in Yorkshire, England who was kidnapped by a UFO. Sid has written a letter to this policeman to obtain more information.

Nick brought to our meeting a video tape of an abduction case which occurred in Charleston, South Carolina. Bill Herrmann first witnessed a UFO on November 12, 1977 and was physically abducted on March 18, 1978. Bill Herrmann took several photos of the UFO on November 27, 1977, January 22, 1978 and April 4, 1980. Wendelle Stevens investigated the case and printed it in a book called "UFO Contact from Reticulum." Nick attended a UFO Convention in June, 1977, in Wisconsin, sponsored by Jim Mosley. Wendelle Stevens at that time presented the case to the audience and Nick video taped the talk. We watched the taped presentation for 1½ hours. I have attached an article which appeared in "The Citizen" and a copy of the article which was written up in the "National Enquirer" concerning Bill Herrmann and his abduction experience.

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George Plagenz

Saints and Sinners

Credence lent to outerspace story

By GEORGE R. **PLAGENZ**

story seemed to lend a tracks. measure of credence to what he said.

home in Charleston, S.C., hours. at 7 p.m. on the night of alien space craft.

An hour later, from an overpass above a stretch of railroad tracks 20 miles from his his home. he was spotted by a state condition - along the alien people told Herrtracks. He sid that was mann they came from. where he was let out of They told him how to the UFO.

If you didn't believe his story, how did Herrmann get where he was? He couldn't have walked that distance in an hour. His car was in the garage at bome.

If someone had driven him the 20 miles, how did he get on the railroad A skeptic could find tracks 40 feet below the several holes in Bill Herr- highway? It was not mann's story of how he possible for a person to had been abducted by a negotiate the rough ter-UFO. But one part of his rain leading down to the

Had he hitched a ride on a boxcar? No train had Herrmann was seen by passed that spot on the several people near his tracks in more than two

I was one of about 200 March 18, 1978 — just people who heard Herrbefore the time he said he mann tell his story to a was taken aboard the Cleveland audience in 1979. Now his bizarre tale has been put in a book, coauthored by Herrmann and Wendelle Stevens.

The hard-cover book is entitled, "UFO - Contact highway patrolman as he from Reticulum." That is was walking - in a dazed the name of the place the locate this configuration of stars in our sky.

> This is Herrmann's story of his 1978 abduction:

He saw a bell-shaped craft hovering in the sky, 100 feet above the South

Carolina Gas and Electric transmission lines near his home on March 18. Within minutes he was taken aboard the shimmering silver flying craft and came face to face with beings from an alien

Although it seemed to him as if his abductors were speaking to him in perfect English, their thin, slit-like mouths never moved.

Their skin was marshmallow-colored. Their large heads resembled human features — without any hair. They were about 4feet-8 and all were dressed in red suede jump

He looked at their hands. Their fingers had no nails.

A recognized UFO investigator and professor at the University of California — Dr. James Harder — who put Herrmann under hypnotic regression to help him. recall the details of his spaceship ride said he had "no reason to doubt he was abducted by a

Two doctors who did a psychiatric profile of Herrmann after his experiences said he was mentally stable.

Herrmann's 1978 experience was followed by another on April 21, 1979.

He was, he said, in the bedroom of his mobile home when a ball of light appeared. As it was fading, Herrmann made out a faint object on the floor. It was a rectangular bar similar to an ingot of metal.

That was a finding that intrigued UFO researchers more than Herrmann's abduction story. If, on analysis, the artificat which seemingly had materialized before Herrmann's eyes could be found to be composed of materials alien to anything known on earth, that could be considered as evidence of the artificat's extraterrestrial origin.

The metal fragment was sent Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in Cambridge, Mass., for

testing. The analysis showed the specimen was made of a lead alloy not unlike something used in lead water pipes or in auto batteries.

Auto Batteries! It was not lost on some skeptics that Herrmann, now 29, worked in an auto repair

But Dr. Walter Walker, a Ph.D. in metallurgy who also examined the Herrmann artifiact, was not convinced that it was a fraud.

"Perhaps," said Walker. "the extraterrestrials use methods within our technology and materials available on earth and therefore their handiwork cannot be distinguished from ours."

The residents of South Carolina in the area where Herrmann lives have reported seeing UFOs for several years. The place is near major electrical transmission lines and is believed to be on a major geological fault. Does this somehow make it conducive to UFO travel?

INFORMATION, DATA. COMMENTARY AND SPECULATION

> BY JOHN SCHUESSLER P. O. BOX 58485

McQuisten, co-inventor of the Psychological Stress Evaluator (PSE), a device that measures truth by detecting the stress in a person's voice patterns, ran the PSE test on Herrmonn's toperecorded account of his abduction and concluded Herrmann was talling the truth. Here, exclusively for ENQUIRER readers, Herrmann's stunning story of his fantastic encounter with alien beings from another world.

By WILLIAM JAMES HERRMANN

I felt absolutely helpless lying there on an examination began to cry and scream like g table. Peering down at me were three of the most un- baby, and I was filled with an believable beings I've ever seen, about 4½ feet high, with an orange circle of light at my skin like marshmallow.

God, help me!"

kin like marshmallow. [feet in the air — then suddenly it feet.

Their oval eyes, which had no dropped like a rock and hovered "" pupils, stared penetratingly at about 60 (set above the ground, me out of their dome-shaped spinning counterclockwise. heads, which were halrless, I

been sitting around talking in with the fear I felt inside. our trailer home when I glanced out the window and saw a bright, round, silver object in die!" my mind screamed. "Oh the sky.

We all watched in fascination. Then I turned to my wife and sald: "I'm going to get my coat

I jogged down to a spot of trees. marshy land and looked up at I didn't recognize where I two hours. the object. It was about 1,000 was. I felt totally disoriented, For months afterward I tried

and I was shaking all over. I

"God, oh God," I prayed fran-Before I could think what to and leave me alone.

heads, which were hairless. I knew I was being scrutinized by beings from another world...

It was the most terrifying night of my life. Earlier, my wife Patti and I and a friend had view of the move. I was parameter of the move of the move. I was parameter of the move of the mov lyzed. I couldn't even yell out flagged down two cars but the to piece together what had hapup. Then a police car came "Oh my God, I'm going to along.

I was shocked to learn I was in Summerville, S,C., about 15 graine headaches, Suddenly everything went miles from my home in North Then I contacted the Aerial black. There was just a void . . . Charleston, and almost passed Phenomena Research Organinothingness. And the next thing out when the policeman told me zation, and they suggested I try can't explain about the exand blooculars and take a closer I knew I was standing in a look at this thing."

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ABDUCTION VICTIM Bill Herrmonn recolled under hypnosis "most terrifying night of my life."

drivers were afraid to pick me pened that night but my mind was a blank. I suffered through wound up with the agony of mi-

hypnosis.

It worked - I began to remember some of the incredible pened. details of that night

My first recollection is lying ENQUIRER

Bill Herrmenn, 24, a North Chericaten, S.C., eute mech-Hypnosis & Truth Test Confirm Man's Story: the three strange beings looking enk; asys he was abducted by me. They were dressed in red uniforms similar to warm-up suits. I cannot remember being taken aboard the UFO, however,

I was told by one of them not to be afraid and that no harm would come to me. They also said they could not tell me who they were or where they came from because the time was not right. They spoke in perfect English, not telepathically - I could actually hear them speak,

After the examination I was taken by three of the beings through a hallway and into another room with computerlike machinery, Strangely, during he entire time I was in the UFO, I failed to ask a meaningful question, and I don't know why. They told me the machinery was used for propulsion.

All the time I felt so small compared to the beings in the UFO, and that was weird because I stand 5-foot-8 and they were barely 4-feet-6.

Then they took me through a sliding door into a smaller area,. weeks of sleepless nights and like a closet, and that's the last thing I remember about being aboard the UFO.

I am aware there is much I traordinary trip. But I'm telling the truth - just the way it hap-

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breater unstances outing the course months together.

"Your booms are weak," said Dr. William Lamont-Doherty Observatory in Palisades, N instruments have not recorded any booms here or in the past few weeks.

Mrs. Bagwell said the vibrations probably are sound barrier. But spokesmen at local military supersonic flights or other activities that may be official at the Charleston Air Force Base said fig the Atlantic near Savannah and Myrtle Beach du that there were no reports of sonic booms. In Beaufort, an official at the Marine Corps Air been flying about 50 miles south of Charlesto traveling faster than the speed of sound. "Yet strange as they are, it's not impossible," he ad The recent rumbles usually have been reported and 3 p.m. and 5 p.m., Mrs. Bagwell said. She calls Wednesday, the most in the two-week per Though the latest booms may not be as powerfuther are more than enough for some. Mrs. F. H. said, "Everything in the house was jumping," booms frequently in the last few months, but them. "Those things just make me uneasy," M.

Like the booms that occasionally were felt single was were atmospheric and not connected with eaid. She has not received any reports of rumble reas, as were reported last winter. Mrs. Bag reater distances during the coldest months were the results of the coldest months were the results.

All Mrs. C.B. Vaught wanted to do Thursday a Then the doors of her James Island home started and the dogs barked. "I thought the house was coming down there Toyear-old Lighthouse Boulevard resident said. If that sounds faintly familiar here in the Lowe booms are back! Telephone calls trickled into The News and Coabout tremors being felt in Folly Beach, the East Charleston. Two seismographs, located about 1 Ashley and North Charleston areas, registered a Joyce Bagwell, who monitors the Baptist C vibrations have been registered in the mornings, two weeks, Mrs. Bagwell has received at least the 10 of shakes being felt in areas near the ocean. A two-month Navy study released in March a Military aircraft. Since December, East Coast resto Connecticut have reported sharp, distinct runter.

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By DAVE SIMPSON Staff Reporter



For our February meeting we had as guest speaker, Mr. Jessie Horst. He is Canadian representative for "National Investigations Committee on UFO's", out of Van Nuys, California. Frank Stranges is the President of the group and publishes "UFO Journal", which I exchange with.

Mr. Horst provided us with a most interesting evening. He told us about a UFO sighting he and his family had on their way home to Elmira. He talked about UFO's and the problems researchers encounter. He also talked about his background and his participation in missionary work in Africa. He is a very interesting person and has the art of conversing with people and groups.

As a result of Mr. Horst's talk, we are going to endeavor to bring Frank Stranges to Kitchener for a weekend seminar on UFO's. We are going to start working on this now and hopefully, in September, Frank Stranges will present a seminar. A lot of costs are involved in bringing him from California, so a lot of research must be performed before we go ahead with it. Other UFO groups will be contacted re their support and participation.

Update on MUFON Symposium, Toronto, July 2-4, 1982

The confirmed list of speakers are: Stanton Friedman, William L. Moore, Arthur Bay, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, David Haisell, Dr. George Owen, Iris Owen, and Dr. Michael Persinger. (He is from Laurentian University and will elaborate on his theories concerning the relationship between earthquake lights and UFOs). There will be a room provided on the main floor of the hotel, wherein Canadian groups can set up a display, advertising their group, memberships forms can be available, etc.



Update on MUFON Convention - July 2-4, 1982, Toronto, Westbury Hotel

Henry McKay, the symposium director, has arranged Dr. Allen Hynek to speak in conjunction with Dr. George Owen and his wife Iris Owen, of the University of Toronto. David Haisell, Director of UPIR, and author of "The Missing Seven Hours", will speak on the latest information from Project UFOCAN and its' interface with the first provisional international committee for UFO research. The committee hopes to set up an international computer data bank to store UfO data for use by ufologists and scientists involved in UFO research.

Stanton Friedman, who has moved to Fredericton, New Brunswick, will speak on the involvement of the Canadian government in the UFO field.

Arthur Bray, former RCAF pilot and former Lt. Commander, Royal Canadian Navy, will discuss "Professionalism in Ufology" (a tentative title).

On January 13th Nick, Si, myself and Pat Delafranier travelled to Toronto to a meeting concerning the Mufon convention being held. Henry McKay confirmed the above speakers and requested that the local UFO groups have a small display set up for the convention, so any person attending the convention can make contact with local groups. A hospitality evening will be held Friday, on Saturday, morning, afternoon and evening, sessions will be held. Sunday will be Mufon's meeting and Sunday afternoon will hopefully be devoted to a meeting of directors of UFO groups world wide.

A change of plans was just announced. Due to job committments, Stanton Friedman will not be attending the conference.

Bonnie Wheeler

Bonnie Wheeler, President, Cambridge UFO Research Group.



Canadian UFO'S will NEVER get credit for giving USA's ufologists something to REALLY talk about!



In the September, 1981, issue of the newsletter, I inserted an article by John Schuessler on an abduction case, which occurred December 29,1980, near Huffman, Texas. Mufon's November, 1981, Journal had a further article by John Schuessler on this case. I have attached same - "Copyright, 1981 by the Mufon UFO Journal, 103 Oldtowne Rd., Seguin, Texas.



"This is 'Earth.' We don't hang around here too long — they're all bananas."

WELCOME, UFOs... to the 'Planet of the Tapes'

CASH-LANDRUM RADIATION CASE

By John F. Schuessler

(Note: This follow-up report is based on a presentation to the Sept. 1981 CUFOS UFO Conference. The case was initially reported in the Apr. 1981 issue, No. 158.)

The problem of radiation sickness caused by UFOs is defined by these brief examples:

October 24, 1887: Venezuelan family exposed to a brightly lit unidentified flying object (UFO) and suffered burns, vomiting, hair loss, and extensive swelling.

May 20, 1967: Canadian prospector Stephen Michalak encountered a landed UFO and suffered burns, nausea, vomiting, swelling and an extended illness.

October 3, 1973; Missouri truck driver exposed to an extremely bright UFO, blinded for days, and had vision impairment for a year.

These and hundreds of similar incidents indicate that UFOs are seriously affecting people. How can these people be helped? What can we learn about UFOs by studying these human effects?

A small team of engineers, scientists, and medical specialists have formed Project VISIT (Vehicle Internal Systems Investigative Team), to be a clearinghouse for all UFO incidents involving medical injury or alleged entry into a UFO. VISIT members collect and analyze data on the physical effects of UFOs on people. This scientific and medical data is then examined to discover the probable mechanisms of the UFO.

The latest entry into the VISIT data base occurred on December 29, 1980, when three Texans encountered a UFO and suffered severe medical consequences. Betty Cash (51), Vickie Landrum (57), and Vickie's grandson Colby Landrum (7), were driving home to Dayton, Texas, on the Cleveland-Huffman road just north of Lake Houston. It was 9 o'clock at



Artist's Rendition of the Sighting (By Kathy Schuessler)

night and the road was deserted. The first indication of something unusual was the presence of a very intense light several miles ahead just above the pine trees. Betty remarked about the unusual brightness, but temporarily lost sight of it due to the many trees along the road.

Suddenly, hovering over the road only a short distance ahead was an enormous diamond shaped object. "It was like a diamond of fire," Vickie said. The glow was so intense they could barely stand to look at it. Vickie at first thought it was the fulfillment of biblical prophecy and expected Jesus to come out of the fire in the sky.

In addition to lighting the whole area like daytime, the UFO periodically belched flames downward. Fearing they would be burned alive Betty stopped the 1980 Oldsmobile Cutlass without leaving the road. They all got out of the car to get a

better look at the UFO. Colby was terrified and dove back into the car, begging his grandma to get back in, too. Vickie did and comforted Colby.

Betty stood momentarily by the driver's door and then walked forward to the front of the car. After much pleading by Vickie, Betty finally returned to the car. The door handle was so hot she used her leather coat as a hotpad to open the door. Although the winter night air had been about 40°F, the heat from the UFO caused the witnesses to sweat and feel so uncomfortable that they turned on the car's air conditioner.

Each time the object would shoot flames downward it would rise. As the flames stopped it would drop in altitude. The intense glow, however, never changed. In addition, the threesome heard an irregular beeping sound throughout the sighting.

Radiation, Continued

Finally, the flames stopped, the object rose to the south-west, and was lost from sight. Vickie and Colby commented that several helicopters could be seen above and beyond the UFO. Vickie said with relief, "we're safe and we're sound, but I'm burning and it's so hot."

Betty was directly exposed to the object 5 to 10 minutes, Vickie 3 to 5 minutes, and Colby only a minute or so. As Betty raced homeward she turned right on FM 2100. Five minutes had lapsed and just ahead was the UFO and a large number of helicopters. "The sky was full of helicopters," Betty said. Some were near the object and others lagged behind. She feared the helicopters would collide. They were dazzled as they counted more than 20 helicopters. According to Vickie, "The helicopter roar was like a tornado."

They sped onward towards home, turning on to the Huffman-Eastgate road, then to FM 1960. By this time the object had been in sight, climbing into the night sky, for another 5 minutes. On FM 1960 the threesome were going away from the UFO, but could still observe it as a diminishing bright light for 2 or 3 more minutes.

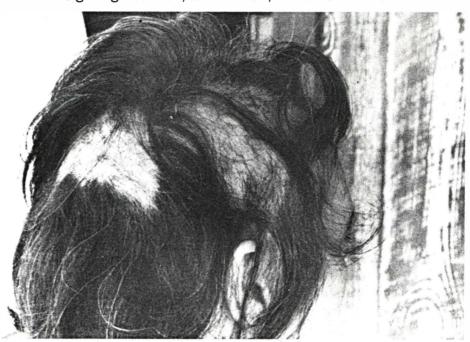
Unusual Medical Effects

Betty dropped Vickie and Colby in Dayton and arrived home at 9:05 p.m. where her friend Wilma was waiting. Vickie said as she left the car, "My head hurts, I'm sick." Betty felt even worse. In addition to a terrible headache and nausea, her neck began to swell and red blotches appeared on her face and head.

December 29th was a turning point in the lives of Betty and Vickie. Betty, an unusually energetic woman, had plans to open a new restaurant. The sickness that followed ruined those plans. For the next four days Betty's health degraded. Her eyes swelled closed, the red blotches became blisters of clear fluid, and she was weak with diarrhea and nausea. The headaches never ceased. Because Betty was unable to function, Vickie was afraid she would die and set out to locate her doctor.



Sighting Location; I. Alan Holt; r. Vickie Landrum



Betty Cash Showing Hair Loss

After a number of telephone calls a doctor instructed Vickie to take Betty to the hospital emergency room where the staff received and treated her as a burn patient. Over the next several days Betty lost patches of skin on her face and about 50% of her hair fell out.

After 12 days in the hospital Betty went home, even though she had shown little improvement. Her condition again degraded to the point where she returned to the hospital for 15 more days. During the weeks that followed the incident, Vickie treated herself and Colby with baby oil to stop the burning of their faces. Their stomach pains and diarrhea stopped after a couple of weeks but their eyes are apparently permanently damaged and treatment continues. Colby had nightmares for weeks and was ex-

Radiation, Continued

tremely frightened by bright lights in the night sky or by helicopters anytime.

SUMMARY OF THE MEDICAL EFFECTS

Colby Erythema (reddening of the skin) Eves swollen and waterv Stomach pains Diarrhea Anorexia (loss of appetite) Some weight loss Increase in tooth cavities

Vickie Erythema

Photophthalmia (eyes swollen, watery, and painful) Vision greatly diminished Stomach pains Diarrhea

Anorexia

Ulceration on the arms, resulting in scarring and loss of pigmentation Karatin affected resulting in fingernail damage

Hair loss

Hair regrowth of a different texture

Betty Erythema

Acute photophthalmia (eyes swollen closed, painful, watery) Vision impaired Stomach pains Vomiting, diarrhea Anorexia Loss of energy, lethargy Scarring and loss of skin pigmentation Excessive hair loss Hair regrowth of a different texture

The electromagnetic spectrum is divided into groups according to wavelengths. X-rays and gamma rays have very short wavelengths; ultraviolet radiation, visible light, and infrared have increasingly longer wavelengths. Since the regions overlap, an exposed person may suffer effects of more than one region - x-ray and ultraviolet for example.

Exposure to ultraviolet radiation can produce photophobia, photophthalmia (arc-eye), edema of the eyelids, and erythema of the skin. Exposure to gamma and x-radiation can provide a strong general weakness, anorexia, nausea, vomiting, apathy, severe headache, sleeplessness, and dizziness.

The symptoms provide a clue to the type of radiation exposure. The degree of illness depends upon the type and energy of the radiation, the



Vickie Landrum: Photophobia Eye Condition



Vickie Landrum: Sores Persist After 8 Months

dose, amount of exposure, and a number of other variables. However, there is no type of radiation that is not potentially dangerous to the eye. Certainly most of the listed symptoms can be found in the Cash/Landrum incident.

The Helicopters

All the witnesses were interrogated separately for information about the helicopters. They all agreed there

were at least 20. Illumination from the glowing object clearly showed details of the helicopters even though the night was dark and the moon was in the third quarter. At least two different helicopter models were present, but they referred also to the one large thing amidst the helicopters.

Through use of helicopter identification charts one model was clearly identified as the Boeing CH-47

Radiation, Continued

Chinook. Another was identified as being similar to the Bell Huey model, but not positively identified as such.

Each of the witnesses not only identified the shape and main characteristics of the Chinook, they also pointed out details such as the wheels, lighting pattern, and sounds.

Contact with the Houston International Airport FAA representative provided the following:

- 350-400 helicopters operate commercially in the Houston area.
- All are single rotor types (no Chinooks).
- Helicopter traffic flies Visual Flight Rules (VFR), consequently they do not contact the tower.
- Beyond 15 miles from the airport they must stay below 1,800 feet.
- The Houston radar is limited to 2,000-2,200 feet around Lake Houston due to the location of antenna.

Contact with military installations was of little help. Fort Polk, Fort Hood, Dallas Naval Air Station, and England AFB stated they did not fly into the Houston area that evening. The unit operating out of Ellington AFB in Houston had landed before the sighting time. Robert Gray Field had 100 helicopters come in from the field at one time "for effect," but claimed to have avoided the Houston area. Hence, no one claims the helicopters that filled the Huffman area sky that winter night.

Conclusion

This incident clearly points up several serious conditions. First, when a person is involved in a close encounter with a UFO they find it nearly impossible to obtain immediate assistance. The police, newspapers, and even doctors receive their plea for help with tongue in cheek. The doctors, being unprepared for a bizarre account like Betty's, spend a lot of time trying to determine what is wrong, as a standard treatment method has never been defined.

Second, military organizations could better serve the citizens of the



Distinctive Silhouette of CH-47 Helicopter

United States if they were prepared to relate the nature of objects such as the one at Huffman and others where public safety is at stake. Betty and Vickie have never said the Huffman UFO was a flying saucer with little green men. They believe it was a government-sponsored operation of some kind. Others that saw and heard the helicopters that evening have the same feeling.

Third, UFO organizations usually do not cooperate to the fullest to help the witnesses. The Huffman incident is an exception. The Mutual UFO Network of Seguin, Texas, the Center for UFO Studies of Evanston, Illinois, and the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization of Tucson, Arizona, all cooperated in a responsible manner to

assist the Houston-based Project VISIT to conduct the investigation by providing consultants, recommendations, and data pertaining to similar cases. Such cooperation is in the best interest of all parties involved.

The investigation continues. The future health state of Betty, Vickie, and Colby is yet to be determined. However, several radiation specialists have given freely of their time and talents to establish a program of rehabilitation and care. Full treatment is still lacking because the data on the source of the problem, the UFO, is still not available.

Project VISIT members are available on call for consultation. The address of VISIT is Post Office Box 877, Friendswood, Texas 77546.

(Photographs provided by John Schuessler)

MEDICAL NETWORK

Project UFOMD — a network of doctors to intensively study UFO-related injury cases — has been organized by radiologist Richard C. Niemtzow. Before being called to active duty in the Air Force, Dr. Niemtzow was active in MUFON and Project VISIT in the Houston, Texas, area. Doctors in the MUFON network are invited to contact Dr. Niemtzow and offer their services.

Over about a 2-year period he hopes to investigate and assess a minimum of 12 cases dealing with medical injuries incurred during UFO close encounters, and possibly produce a catalogue correlating the resulting data. Investigators aware of such cases are urged to have the witness consult a physician of their own choice, and Dr. Niemtzow will be available as a consultant to the primary physician. Clinical and laboratory tests should be conducted on the witness in each case.

Interested physicians, including doctors working with patients reporting UFO-related injuries, should contact Dr. Niemtzow at (707) 446-5050 or write to him at 532 Merchant St., Vacaville, CA 95688.

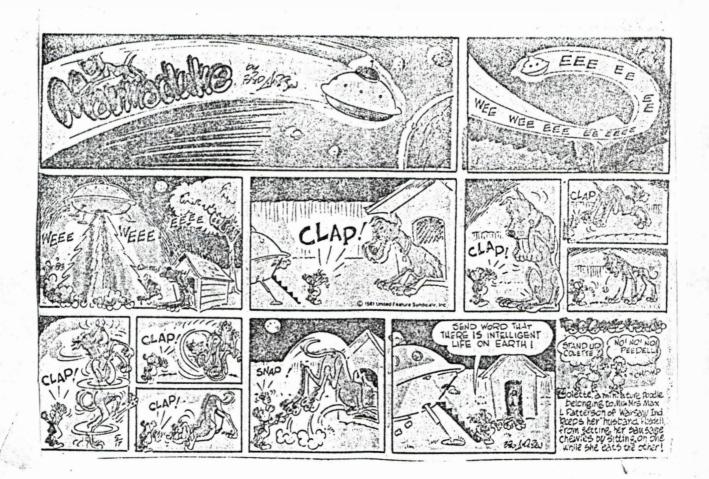


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Fate magazine, March 1981 issue, had an unusual article concerning a businessman who is presently building a pyramid to live in. Even though this article is not directly related to UFO's, I thought it of sufficient interest to attach same.



"I claim this planet in the name of Bluggrovia."

- and powerless to banish them.

Finally I was back in America and this new spirit which had taken command of me told me I must return to Natural Bridge, Va., where some of my kinfolk live.

Arriving there on August 12 I felt a peculiar prodding, an urge, to visit the cemetery where my brother Raymond is buried. Walking a bit too fast toward his grave I stumbled and fell. Prostrate on the ground I found I had fallen on an overturned tombstone bearing the surname which I had seen on a grave marker in Flanders fields

more than 3000 miles away!

Later that day, when I explained my muddy knee to Lloyd Tolley, the aged proprietor of the general store, he said, "Ah, yes, you were passing through the Schaeffer family's burial plot. The whole clan is buried there except the boy who got killed in World War I in Flanders."

Then it all came back. My journey had come full circle. I knew that a ghost — with supernatural knowledge of my eventual destination — had hitched a ride with me. Now he could rest at home with his family.



HAIR GROWS ON BALD HEAD

JAMES NASO, a 54-year-old New Jersey man, is getting hair on the top of his head for the first time in 30 years. He's not recommending his "treatment" for others, however. The new growth appears to be the result of severe scalp burns he suffered in a boat explosion in July 1979. Naso was severely burned over 50 percent of his body, including his scalp.

While recuperating at the St. Francis Medical Center Burn Facility in

Trenton, Naso noticed that his head, which had been "smooth as a cue ball on top" for about 30 years, felt like peach fuzz. The new hair was black, the same as the rest of his hair.

Naso was proud, his wife was amused, and friends teased him about growing hair in his old age.

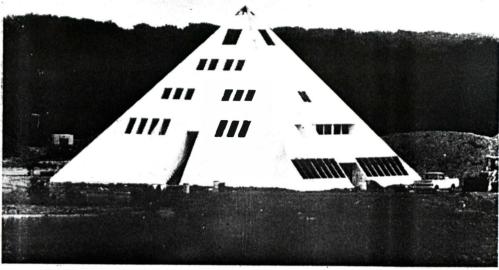
His physician, Dr. John Flood, had no medical explanation for the new hair and said he couldn't remember a case like it.

FIREBALL FUROR FRIGHTENS FERRARA By W. Ritchie Benedict

A NOTHER "end of the world" scare came to naught in Ferrara, Italy, although no one will admit to being frightened now that the appointed date for doom has passed uneventfully. Nevertheless, it is known that many residents made plans to visit the country after hearing the prophecy that "a huge ball of fire" would destroy Ferrara on October 28, 1978.

One Ferrara resident, Leda Torreggiani, explained her departure by saying, "Not because we trust the prophecy but because the skies are sunny and the country inns cook excellent mushrooms at this time of year."

No one knows how the rumor got started. A local photographer said hedidn't buy the likelihood of an impending catastrophe, "yet one can never know." He added, "I guess everyone will be laughing when the scare is over."



Jim Onan began work on his pyramid-shaped house in 1978. When completed in late 1981, the 56-foot-high structure will have cost close to two million dollars. Onan hopes to conduct experiments there to see if pyramid power is effective in healing

THE GREAT PYRAMID OF ONAN

A multimillionaire construction company owner has a dream — and Egypt's Great Pyramid is reborn in the American Midwest.

By Jerome Clark

JIM ONAN of Zion, Ill., became a believer in the effectiveness of pyramid power after he built five small pyramids in his house. Having heard that food stays unspoiled and razor blades stay sharp when placed under a pyramid, he conducted his own experiments which convinced him that such things sometimes happen. But that was good enough for him since they never happen under anything else. In due course he constructed a

13-foot pyramid and put it in his backyard.

That was just the beginning. Over a decade later, in 1980, Onan was half-finished with the construction of a 56-foot-high pyramid house, with an 85-foot-square base and 17,000 square feet of living area. He, his wife and five children hope to move into it in late 1981. The structure, located off U.S. Highway 41 near Gurnee, Ill., will have cost Onan, 42, close to two

million dollars. The pyramid will be covered with 23-carat gold leaf, just as Onan believes the Great Pyramid of Cheops was. Onan's pyramid is oneninth the size of the Cheops pyramid.

Onan is a quiet, modest man, more intuitive than articulate. A successful businessman, he heads a construction company in Gurnee and has a number of real estate investments. Onan himself won't say how much he's worth but a relative who prefers to be identified only as Cousin Nick claims Onan is a millionaire 10 times over.

Onan is also a dreamer. He "knows" things, such as that the Great Pyramid was built 40,000 years ago (Egyptologists say 4500) and the people responsible for it were "different than us." They built the pyramid to protect themselves from something, perhaps to divert dangerous energies. These ancient Egyptians knew all the pyramid secrets and any modern pyramid. if it is to work properly, must be built to the same scale as that of the Great Pyramid.

Asked how he gets such information, Onan shrugs. It just comes to him. He doesn't read much but he thinks a lot. And he has the money with which to realize his dreams.

One of his dreams is to help people. A devout Catholic, he already gives a good-sized chunk of his annual income to St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Waukegan, where he was once an altar boy. The church runs a school, most of whose students now are poor and members of minority groups.

But with the pyramid house Onan can do a lot more. He can store hundreds of gallons of water in the structure, "energize" the liquid and give it effects of pyramid power on living

to persons with health problems. With luck perhaps he can supply enough water for 10.000 persons a day. He intends to leave a part of the building open to guests who might be able to benefit from a stay inside.

If all this seems exotic, it isn't because there's anything particularly exotic about Jim Onan's life. He grew up in Waukegan, the youngest of four brothers, two of whom, John and Jerrv, work with him in his construction business. His father worked at the American Steel & Wire factory in Waukegan and the Onans lived a quiet, comfortable, middle-class existence across the street from St. Joseph's, whose grade school the boys attended. In 1958 Jim started his business with little more than a wheelbarrow and a shovel. Through sheer hard work he became, in due course, a multimillionaire.

Having lived his American success story, Onan may well end up a minor occult legend, although he has no interest in the occult as such. But the great pyramid of Onan, already the focus of national attention, is going to bring a lot of people — health-seekers, the curious, the skeptical, the crazy to his doorstep. Already Onan has put up an electric fence around the property and stocked it with guard dogs and security personnel. A man-made lake will surround the house. When the gold leaf is put on, Onan will move into the building to provide it with the additional security of his presence.

The pyramid has six floors. The first will serve as a four-car garage and also as a sort of laboratory in which Onan will keep plants and animals to test the

things. The second floor will be a living area, the third a sleeping area.

Onan is reluctant to discuss what he plans to do with the fourth and fifth floors. All he will say is that they will be reserved for "experimentation" of various kinds.

The sixth floor, at the apex of the pyramid, is a "dangerous" spot where the energy is so intense, Onan believes, that it is unsafe to spend any but the shortest time possible there. Still, he sees possibilities for further experimental work. He is especially interested in comparing the effects of pyramid energy from floor to floor.

Onan hopes he can get scientists and physicians interested in pyramid power, although right now he's too busy building his house to make any concerted effort in this direction. But when the time comes, he says he is willing to cooperate with any serious investigators who might want to do research inside the structure. He wants to talk with skeptics, too, to get their ideas and suggestions. One day he'll

write a book about it all.

No. he doesn't think he's anybody special and he certainly doesn't want anyone to see him as a guru. "I've got my problems, too," he says. "How can I help anyone else with theirs?" If anybody gets helped, it won't be because of Onan's powers; it will be because of the pyramid's powers.

Nonetheless, says Cousin Nick, Jim Onan's most energetic booster, "He's being guided. By what we don't know. But something is guiding him."

That sort of talk makes Jim uncomfortable.

"Jim just gets ideas and he acts on them," Jerry Onan says, "I've seen it happen any number of times. When he starts looking at something, things start to happen. Things are set in motion when he gets intense.

"It isn't psychic. At least Jim doesn't think it is. It's just natural to him, instinct, intuition — call it anything you want. I suppose some people would call it psychic. But it's Jim. That's just the way he is."

MORE KANGAROOS? By Loren Coleman

DURING the summer of 1979 Canada was the target of some more mystery kangaroo visitations. (See "Kangaroos from Nowhere" by David Fideler and Loren Coleman, April 1978 Fate.)

Early in the morning of May 31 a police officer radioed his station to say he had sighted a kangaroo in Scarboro, a section of Toronto, Ontario. A Metro Zoo official, when asked for his opinion, said, "We're not missing any wallabies or any other kind of creature. It's likely just a rabbit with long ears."

A few days later and several hun-

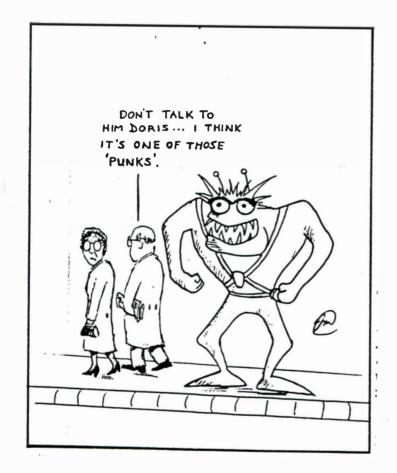
dred miles northeast, another kangaroo popped up. Roy Hanley, a guard at the Acadia Forest Products, Ltd., mill in Nelson-Miramichi, New Brunswick, saw a kangaroo at 3:00 A. M. on June 5, 1979.

"I was standing no more than 10 feet from him." Hanley said. "As far as I'm concerned it was a baby kangaroo. It had a long tail, big droopy ears and a grey-brown coat.'

A taxi driver and her passenger also had seen a kangaroo near the mill and other encounters were reported from Millton and Douglasville, New Brunswick.



Tim Beckley, editor of "UFO Review", has recently published two $\&2 \times 11$ booklets for sale. These, I have read both, and highly recommend their purchase. Particulars on both follow:





"I hope it isn't fluoridated!"

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HUNDREDS HAVE SPOKEN WITH UFO PILOTS

Timothy Green Beckley, the author of THE BOOK OF SPACE CONTACTS

(Global Communications, 303 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016; Retail \$8.95), says that hundreds of ordinary individuals from all walks of life have established an "open line" to the pilots of UFOs whom they are able to keep in touch with via mental telepathy after having experienced a face-to-face contact.

"We find in many cases that once an individual has had a close encounter of the third kind that they are able to maintain a steady flow of communication with the occupants of these other-worldly craft, usually by ESP."

Beckley writes about several episodes of this nature in his just released book, including the case of Oscar Magocsi, a Canadian, who since his initial sighting in 1975, has claimed to have gone around the world in a UFO, the entire voyage taking 48 hours. During the journey, the saucer he was traveling aboard was attacked by rockets, and a stop-over in Tibet enabled him to meet a secret group of monks with supernatural powers (including the ability to levitate).

Timothy Green Beckley tells of over 50 close encounters all of which have been drawn from the files of the UFO REVIEW, the world's only flying saucer newspaper, which he publishes.

A large portion of THE BOOK OF SPACE CONTACTS is devoted to methods which might enable the reader to become a UFO contactee and establish a communications hook-up with alien beings from outer space. The methods include meditation, chanting and building a light beam communicator -- which can be built from parts brought in a stereo store.

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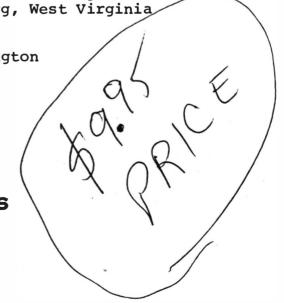
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In answer to my question, "What causes those burns on encounterees bodies in or near spaceships?" Mr. Chase (MA Penna State College; design engineer, NASA space probe; thermo-dynamics engr; lecturer) responded as follows:--

CE III burns? Yes, hmmm...let me see. Yes, well it's ole Ed's contention that UFO drive systems (anti-grav mechanism) are primarily electrical in nature. Perhaps a fusion drive to power the drive systems. But, the anti-gravity phenomenon is produced by bringing tremendously large electrostatic charges to the exterior surface of the ship. This charge causes the hull to appear to be giving off light: actually it is ionizing the atomosphere around and against the hull. As the hull is rotated (as they are often seen to do), this mechanical rotation of static charges in a circle acts the same way as an electromagnetic coil, with electrons speeding through it.

That is, coming in at one end, moving through the coil (as in a circle and then out the other end. It is the magnetic field produced by a coil that resembles the energy produced by static charges moving in a circular fashion, in this case, a UFO.

The difference being that when static charges move in a circle, they produce a lower frequency-magnetic field with two poles just like a magnet, but, the actual expression of the energy will appear as antigravitic!

"Things" would be either pulled or repelled to or from the perpendicular core of the field or the axis of rotation. The fact that the hull can only be rotated at a fraction of the 'speed of light' will cause a field that is substantially slower than the fast field, produced by an 'electrified coil' with electrons moving thru it at the speed of light. Thus, the field is fixed by the speed of the electrons which is pretty much fixed.

However, the superconducting magnets probably have different characteristics than regular magnets of the iron core variety. There are also permanent magnets which can affect 'other' metals, but, they are made of different materials. Ah, la, a different structure is is given to the field produced. But, back from that digression...

When UFO'S have been observed moving away from the ground and at

ED CHASE CET III burns

ever increasing speed, their hulls are observed to change color. In seemingly all cases, the change occurs as a smooth color shift from the slower vibrational colors of the red end of the spectrum to the higher vibrational qualities of the blue end of the spectrum, which includes Ultra-Violet. Yes, you guessed it! The dread ultra-violet... destroyer of billions of skin cells on our fair beaches every summer!

Our atomsphere of course shields our fair skin from the worst of the effects of ultra-violet burns but, there's still one hell of an industry making body oils for our protection. In the case of UFO'S, their hulls being the source of very high quantities of ultra-violet rays, is probably the reason for the burns associated with CET III incidents.

UFO changes in color indicates an increase of power as they accelerate away from the ground. The blue end of the spectrum indicates more energy per quanta than would be found in a similar quanta of energy at the red end of the spectrum. Which only shows they are "turning on the juice". So, what else is new?

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"We've taken so much money in the last couple of weeks that the odds have gone way down," Bernice

Kerr of the London betting house told The San Diego

Union in a telephone interview.

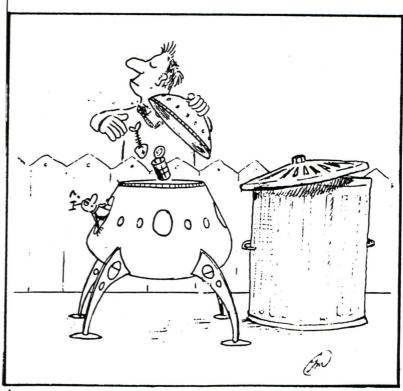


In the June, 1981, issue of the newsletter, I inserted an article by Kal Korff re the Edward Meier case. Wendelle Stevens wrote the book "UFO Contact from the Pleiades". Kal Korff felt the case was a hoax. In the October, 1981, issue of Mufon, Wendelle Stevens replys to Kal's claims. I have attached this reply -"Copyright, 1981 by the Mufon UFO Journal, 103 Oldtowne Rd., Seguin, Texas.

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KAL KORFF AND THE "MEIER HOAX": A RESPONSE — Pt. 1

By Wendelle C. Stevens

The following comments are intended as rebuttal to accusations made in Kal K. Korff's article, "The Meier Incident: The Most Infamous Hoax in Ufology," published in the December 1980 issue of MUFON UFO Journal.

Critics such as Korff have the advantage, in that it takes much more space to adequately respond to one-line unsupported accusations than it takes to make them. One thing which puzzles me is the fact that experienced researchers have allowed a relatively immature newcomer to become their collective spokesman in this case. Kal Korff raises so many misquotes and obviously unsound conclusions that I will have to take them in the order in which they appear in his article.

Korff's first mistake, or deliberate distortion, appears in the first five lines of his article, "recording over 3,000 pages of quotes from them" (Pleiadians). The book he refers to clearly says, on page 35 of the First Edition, "over 3,000 pages of notes on Mr. Meier's phenomenal encounters."

In the same paragraph, he suggests that we have said the rock and metal specimens "defy conventional explanation." The correct phrasing in our book is, "that, in reference to our present technology, was not immediately explainable." Nor do we declare, anywhere in the book, that all, or even any, of Meier's claims are genuine. The closest we came to that was on page 43 of the First Edition (page 45, Second Edition), where we said, "This could very well be the first authentic evidence-supported case of ongoing extraterrestrial contact with Earth humanity . . . "

In the third paragraph, we are also misquoted about Meier's "first experiences with extraterrestrials." Again, the quote actually reads, "first evidence of a man's ongoing encounters..."

We chose to start this book about the encounters with the Pleiadian contact team at the point where those contacts began. Space was our limitation.

There were no press releases of any kind ever indicating that Jim Lorenzen, or APRO, "endorsed the book as being a genuine representation of the facts." The statement, furnished in lim Lorenzen's own handwriting, still on file at Genesis III Productions, reads, "At least the preponderance of material is too much for an objective mind to ignore in good conscience" (signed, Jim Lorenzen). This was used on our own pre-publication flyer for the book. After the flyer was printed and in mailing envelopes, Jim (because of flak at home) wanted to add another line to say that at this time, he considered the photographs in the category of excellent art, not science. We agreed to make the change if he wanted to bear the cost of reprinting the flyers; he declined, so we retained the original statement.

I am not a one-fourth partner in Genesis III Productions, as Korff alleges, but I do insist that Meier sought no publicity from anyone concerning his experiences. He had already survived four assassination attempts by gunfire and certainly didn't seek any more attention. He refused to accept any money for the material he gave me and signed a rights agreement without accepting any money, believing that whatever we did in the United States would be a long time in coming back to him. When I asked him about the statement Korff attributes to Wilfried Falk ("that he planned to write a book about his experiences as early as 1977"), Meier said that Falk asked him if he planned to write this up as a book and that his reply to Falk was, "Perhaps . . . some dav."

In that same paragraph, Korff quotes Lorenzen as saying that I

described Meier as "a sort of person who gets great satisfaction out of fooling authorities." That is also completely untrue. The correct statement, which lim Lorenzen never published. is this: "I had mentioned that Meier was from a very poor family, and his poor clothes and lack of ability to participate in events at school, for lack of money, set him apart from the other boys, and that he was often made the butt of pranks, and was frequently punished for things he did not do. The statement was, 'Meier learned to smile inwardly when he had to suffer for things he had not done." He considered the inability of the teachers to see through the set-up as a deficiency on their parts. How Lorenzen, or anyone else, got the other completely different inference from that, accidentallv, is difficult for me to see.

The book does not say, anywhere, that any of the photographs of the UFOs are authentic. It says, "Nothing was found" to indicate trick photography, models, or other suspicious techniques. Nothing was found to indicate a hoax. Distance and size measurements are proper in relation to location measurements taken by the investigators and the reported size of the craft is appropriate to the calculations done with computers. Work on the photographs is continuing and we still have not found any way to successfully duplicate them with small models.

We did not say, nor does the book imply, that De Anza Systems "did some of the analysis." They aren't even mentioned anywhere in the book. We have stated elsewhere, however, that we used De Anza Computer Graphics equipment because it was the best we had found

'Meier Photos, Continued

for this kind of work. They also had the best "edge identification man in the business" working there at the factory and we consulted him. We did the testing. We were looking for the best equipment available for a model laboratory for this particular work, to be financed by a production company who was then interested in making a documentary film on this case. We turned in our report, but the project was later superceded by something else and the lab didn't get funded.

We have never demonstrated the photographs to be authentic. Scientifically, that cannot be done to any UFO photograph, short of having the ship at hand, with proof of its origin (which would also be unprovable, without going to its supposed point of origin for verification). We said only that we have eliminated the possibility of all known methods of trick photography and lab techniques known to modern photographic science.

I have no unpublished paper mentioning thorough analysis of "several" of the Meier photos by Dr. Neil Davis of Design Technology in Poway, California. I have Neil Davis' written report of the analysis of one photograph, which I furnished. The analysis was thorough and well done, but it didn't prove the photograph authentic. It did eliminate many lab tricks and hoax techniques. It concluded with a statement that, 'Nothing was found in the examination of the print which could cause me to believe that the object in the photo is anything other than a large object photographed a distance from the camera."

There are actually ten photographs of the Swiss Army Mirage jet fighter making passes at the UFO, with the ship high and low, nearer and farther. They are all in a correct sequential order. We have only released one.

There is a total of 23 witnesses to the various events described by Meier, each participating in some way at different times. We have taken statements and depositions, both written and oral (and on video tape), and have especially interviewed six of the main ones on audio tape for Psychological Stress Evaluation testing. They were analyzed by two different PSE agencies using different equipment and all were found to believe the answers they gave to the prepared list of questions. Lack of space prevented inclusion of these data in Volume 1.

The Pleiadians did not say "that they originated from the star system of 'the Pleiades.'" They told Meier they came here from the direction of the constellation we call the Pleiades. They have an entirely different name for it. The Pleiades are not "only some tens of millions of years old." Mr. O. Richard Norton, formerly director of the Flandreau Planetarium at the University of Arizona in Tucson, says that the latest calculations show the basic Pleiads are considered to be between 500 million and one billion years old, still relatively young stars, and not old enough to have produced mature life-bearing planets by the same evolution as ours. However, if they were helped from outside, there are other possibilities. The question is still open. The gaseous nebulosity seen around the Pleiades, as shown in the book, has been especially revealed by filters and special exposures. That effect is not clearly visible to the naked eye.

As for the quotes from the alien cosmonauts, we selected them, not Meier, and we selected the ones that seemed short enough and appropriate to most of the questions being asked, the most popular of which is, "Do they believe in Jesus Christ?" They do not advocate any particular belief. They were simply comparing their beliefs to ours.

The quotes attributed to James Hurtak have either been copied wrong by Korff or Hurtak doesn't read German as well as he claims, as the aliens contacting Meier said, first of all, that they do not count time the way we do, and secondly, that if we could compare evolutions, it might be said that theirs is about 3000 years ahead of ours, according to the way we count time. The aliens also suggested in another contact that, because of the curve of the growth of

knowledge, we might be able to achieve many of their capabilities within 300 years of our time, if we would sufficiently concentrate the energies of our planet. They didn't see any possibility of us doing that at this time. They observed that we can't even get along with each other, or nation with nation, very long, and that must be overcome before we can marshall the resources of the world.

Korff's next statement is also wrong. The book does not claim that Meier's camera was jammed for several years. This is an assumption made by Korff from my own statements that Meier's camera was jammed just short of the infinity setting, maybe 1/32nd of an inch on the rotating index, for most of the photos which were taken. What he also failed to consider is the fact that all of those photos were made over the first fifteen months of contacts with the aliens. For the first eight months, they did not let the secret out of a very small group who had only the broken camera that could be held and operated by Meier with his one hand. He had become familiar with it. Also, he never expected to get a second or third set of pictures. He thought each opportunity would probably be his last one. It would have taken weeks to have his camera repaired and he had no money for such expenses. The remainder of Korff's statement on camera optics fails to conform to the facts, as anyone with a basic knowledge of photography will know.

The metal samples were actually analyzed at three different laboratories by three different methods, one of which was the analysis done by Marcel Vogel. What Korff failed to note, or deliberately omitted, is that Vogel only analyzed one single specimen of metal. My very brief summary in the book on Vogel's work with the metal specimen was abstracted from two hours of videotaped analysis and three hours of recorded discussions involving dozens of photographs. All of this is in Mr. Vogel's own words and the tapes are in my possession. We did not release anything other

than the preliminary steps, because we agreed that Vogel should be the one to release any particular details at his own pleasure in his own choice of forum. He evidently did not consider Korff an appropriate spokesman.

We should not overlook the fact that Marcel Vogel is one of our most brilliant scientists who, as a chemist, has no peers. He is a senior research chemist at IBM's main research laboratory. He pioneered luminescence technology, including the development of fluorescent and phosphorescent products, did major research on liquid crystals, optical microscopy, magnetic films, etc., and invented the "floppy disc" so essential to modern electronic technology. He has pioneered new experiments in man-plant communication and also in energy transference using prepared crystals. He chose not to share his research findings with Kal Korff.

OMNI magazine arranged for a fourth analysis of a specimen of metal, to be conducted at MIT. The letter carrying the piece of metal for analysis took 29 days (First Class Mail) to get from Tucson to OMNI's offices in New York City. Harry Lebelson, an assistant editor of the magazine, advised me that he personally delivered it to MIT. The scientists who received the metal from Lebelson later told him that they lost it before getting a good look at it! We should not forget that MIT is a contract university used by many agencies of the government, including various intelligence agencies. Frankly, I felt from the beginning that if they did find anything interesting, we would be the last to know about it.

We did not connect the great structures of history to the Pleiades. We only reported a few of the connections which had already been made by others. There are, in fact, scores of such connections in our files. The references were identified with quotes from these other sources. Korff seems to take special issue with the reference to the Devil's Tower in Wyoming. Perhaps he is unaware of the extensive relationship of UFO

sightings with this landmark. There is even an old report of a UFO landing on top of the Tower. It is reported that Steven Spielberg's movie company had an actual UFO experience there while filming scenes for "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," but that he played this down to avoid being accused of staging it.

Korff's facetious references to Meier having met Jesus Christ stem from a misstatement by Colman von Keviczky, whose distorted views were acquired during his very limited (one day) "investigation" of the Meier case. He did not go to the Meier property, did not interview any of the current witnesses or civil and military authorities. He did not check or view any of the evidence available at the Meier property, only visited one of the "contact sites," and did not visit any of the photo processing agencies that developed Meier's film.

We have heard and are more inclined to accept for study, some of the claims to having flown in the spacecraft and to have traveled in time, but these are still only stories unfounded in demonstrable fact and we are unable to test their validity. We have reached no conclusions on such stories at this time.

Korff gives me far too much credit when he alleges that I have masterminded this development for some personal reason.

To summarize our feelings on the Korff article, it is our opinion that the analysis released by GSW is no more than subjective interpretation of Polaroid photos of non-specific tests, made by Spatial Data Systems from a standard catch-all program on file at SDS for the testing of all UFO photos sent to them by GSW. The results of such tests are neither scientific nor substantive and it seems obvious that Korff does not know the difference. (A discussion of the GSW analysis will be in Part II, next issue.)

There is one puzzling thing about this article. I have called a number of the individuals listed in the acknowledgements and they tell me that they did not give Korff the information he attributes to them in this article. Some, in fact, were quite angry to

Letter

OMNI Veritas

MUFON readers of the November 1981 OMNI magazine will conclude I have lost my marbles. A "UFO Update" I wrote on the Betty Hill star map has been editorially rewritten and now contains inaccurate and unwarranted statements that I neither authored nor approved. I did not write anything about the Hill case being "reveal(ed)" as the "most elaborate UFO hoax ever perpetrated." This editorial insertion grossly misrepresents my outlook on the matter. The breakdown of the Fish interpretation of Mrs. Hill's alien star map returns the abduction claim to unsupported anecdotal testimony . . . but not a deliberate hoax.

Other inaccuracies were introduced into my original text. I did not describe the Hill's UFO as "starlike"; they claim they saw it with large angular size. Also, Mrs. Hill never expressed a "belief" in which stars were the aliens' home. Finally, the sentiments of Terry Dickinson, precisely stated to me for *OMNI*, were not presented here. I regret that these problems seem attributed to me as the author.

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find that their names had been used. Is Kal name-dropping again? Or do some of these people really believe Kal is correct in his statements?

KAL KORFF AND THE "MEIER HOAX": A RESPONSE - Pt. 2

By Wendelle C. Stevens

(Part I, in the previous issue, dealt with accusations and alleged distortions in Korff's article in the December 1980 issue, No. 154. This part concentrates on the GSW analysis of the Meier photos.)

It is essential that a full response be given to Korff's lengthy section on the role of GSW and their "computer analyses" of the Meier photos. Korff's first statement concerning "first generation" copies of the photos is false. No first generation copies of the photos were let out of Meier's hands (except those which were stolen from him) until March of 1977, when the original diapositive of the cover photo of our book was released to a Munich TV station for a news item on the Swiss case. It was returned two weeks later. This is one of the photos we tested exhaustively. All of the original diapositives were taken in to have direct positive prints made. These became the master prints from which Hans Schutzbach made copy negatives by shooting the prints again on 35mm negative film with a handheld camera. These became the file

negatives from which all subsequent prints were made. As the pictures Herr Falk sent to GSW were in positive slide format, they had to be shot from either Meier's album or from stock prints in Meier's collections, both being prints made from Schutzbach's 35mm copy negatives. These prints were already four lens-systems from the originals. Shooting them onto slides again added a fifth lenssystem. This is the best Falk could have had unless he was one of those who stole some of the original diapositives. The slides I have seen from this lot do not look any closer than fifth generation.

Someone also provided a set of the same slides to Colman von Keviczky and it may have been the same Herr Falk. I have a set of these slides and mine are certainly dim and off-color. Some are even crops of the originals.

On the other hand, I have taken Meier's remaining original diapositives to the best custom photo shop in Zurich, Photo Kino, and had custom internegatives produced in 4" x 5" and 7 x 9 centimeter sizes. This is the

second lens system from the UFO itself. We did all of our testing on four of these internegatives. This is the closest to the original that has been tested, to our knowledge. We have not allowed any of the originals (except the cover photo) out of Meier's hands for anything. The rest are protected in safes and will not be produced until no further testing is possible on the internegatives and only if a serious question remains in doubt which only the original could resolve. Then that one original may be taken by courier to an appropriate testing facility for examination in the presence of the courier, to be immediately returned by him to its depository upon completion of testing.

As I have explained in other responses to criticisms, the modes of computer enhancement are quite specific and are most productive when particularly applied to each separate photograph. The "buckshot" treatment of running ten different photos in the same program is not much better than no test at all.

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suffered physical and emotional trauma during a UFO close encounter, which was apparently under observation by military helicopters.

* provided a grant to Ted Bloecher/Budd Hopkins/Aphrodite Clamar for intensive study of a group of witnesses who have reported being abducted by alien humanoids.

* made an award to UFO International Annual Review (UPIAR), the first scientific refereed journal devoted to the UFO phenomenon, Bologna, Italy.

* funded the writing and preparation of a carefully researched UFO slide/tape presentation for educational purposes, to be loaned to schools, libraries, and community groups.

Some of the additional proposals now under consideration, for which

adequate funds are not now available, are a computerized data bank study of UFO sightings; a study of Spanish physical trace cases; a compilation and astronomical analysis of pre-1947 sightings: and an extensive catalogue and study of the 1896-97 "airship" mystery. The Fund has also alerted MUFON investigators to the fact that financial aid can be quickly funneled to help pay for laboratory analysis or clinical tests in promising CE-II or CE-III cases involving potentially significant physical evidence. The Fund's "quick response" effort has a high priority, as long as the funds for it are available, to help assure that important evidence will not be lost due to lack of appropriate analysis or testing.

These are worthy goals to benefit all of ufology, but they require the support of everyone who wants to obtain meaningful, scientific evidence on the nature of UFOs. Contributions are deductible on 1981 (or 1982) Federal income tax returns (IRS#52-1164176). MUFON members who wish to earmark a contribution in the name of the organization may do so by indicating this on the check or in a covering note. We plan to report the amount of MUFON support in a future issue.

The Fund is also offering for \$30 (\$15 of which is tax deductible) a collection of 200 UFO documents released by the FBI and CIA under the Freedom of Information Act.

(Information supplied by Dr. Bruce S. Maccabee, Chairman, and Fred Whiting, Publicity Director.)

Fund for UFO Research, Box 277, Mt. Rainier, MD 20712.

Meier Photos, Continued

When I checked out the GSW methods in 1977, I found that GSW was sending batches of up to ten photos at a time to Spatial Data Systems of Goleta, California for processing in a program designed for them by Dr. Bruce Maccabee. This program was the best anywhere up to that time and Dr. Maccabee had done a good job of designing a program where none existed previously. Spatial Data charged GSW \$80.00 per computer hour for operating costs, which worked out to \$8.00 per photo in a batch of ten. For that, GSW got four steps - Edge Enhancement, Color Contouring, Pixel Distortion Test, and Digitization — for each photo in the batch.

This processing was done on the plant demonstrator equipment by the salesman, who shot a color Polaroid print of the video display for GSW, which was sent back with the print, with no comment. All of the "analyses" were then done subjectively by GSW from those Polaroid prints.

Perhaps that doesn't sound so bad until you talk to a computer programmer (and the science is so new that even they don't all agree), but they state that such tests are only meaningful if they are quite specific. In other words, there is considerable variation in these steps. For productive Edge Enhancement, you must know what you are enhancing for and this is true of the other steps also. Each case will be quite different. You can Color Contour for many different things and you have to be specific if you are to get meaningful results. This is also true in lesser degree for Pixelizing and Digitizing.

The most important step of all, however, is the first step — introducing the photograph into the computer. Everything else depends on this. Spatial Data was using an off-theshelf popular video camera in the \$1,500 price range to introduce the data into their display set-up. They didn't even have a light table and no filters and lens attachments at all for the camera. This alone could have negated the results of their testing. We used the most expensive camera

and lens systems at the SPIES Symposium in San Diego, listing at \$52,000, to introduce our images into the storage system. We also used the top-of-the-line Hammamatsu microdensitometer for digitizing at both 5 micron and ½ micron sizes for analysis. We also used their thermoluminescence burst-test equipment to study possible radiation effects on the emulsion crystals in the images. This was only the beginning of our analysis and we failed to find any evidence of fraud or hoax.

Regarding the GSW analysis; their first statement that most of the ten analyzed photos are extremely light above the UFO image (the image itself was washed-out too) should have told them that they had many-generation copies before them. That this would tend to mask any supporting structure is true.

Their second statement — that the UFO images are out-of-focus when compared to other features of comparable distance from the camera — is completely misleading. Unless they had walked over the photo sites and measured the distances, as well as marking the apparent position of the UFO based on the witness' best estimate, they could not possibly know what other features were at a comparable distance. In most of the ten photos they had, there were no other features at a comparable distance. And it does not indicate that the UFO is close to the camera. Those opinions are entirely subjective and have no basis whatsoever in fact.

The third statement, that considering the focal length of the camera, all calculations place the UFO at four to six feet, is also completely false. When I shot photos of a model, in focus, filling about 20% of the width of the image frame, as some of those in question do, at the mean distance of five feet (GSW said four to six feet), I got a model UFO measuring 6 inches in diameter and all other objects beyond 10 feet from the camera were badly out of focus. The titles of books in the background were indistinguishable. Something is wrong with Korff's reasoning.

The fourth statement, that atmos-

phere effects on distant features in the photos are not noticeable on any of the UFO images, is also wrong. A glance at the facing photos, in sequence, on pages 29 and 30 of our book, will demonstrate this misinterpretation. In Volume II, we will present a series of photographs in sequence, showing a dark point in the distant atmospheric haze as it approaches and grows larger, frame by frame, until it is recognizable as one of the craft in the photos tested by GSW.

The fifth statement concerning shadows is a strange one, considering the fact that the Swiss sky in this vicinity is usually white. In a white sky such as this, even the trees aren't casting any shadows.

In the sixth statement, we find that this handicapped man is supposed to have successfully employed three types of hoax photography. Let's look at these:

a. Suspended Model — This is perhaps the most likely method that could be used; however, no one has ever found the model or the suspension rig, nor has anyone ever found "the string" in any of the photographs. And here I specifically refer, also, to the very photographs which Korff used to illustrate his article. Despite the fact that the first photo is printed upside down, there is no evidence of a suspension line, top or bottom, in the photo. This is the same object depicted in the second photo, which does show "artifacts" (unusual lines), but the "string" doesn't start at the top of the UFO and it stops halfway up. The other "artifact" that crosses the middle of the image is conveniently ignored by Korff, as are three more such "artifacts" exactly like these which have been cropped out on this photo. They are completely outside the image area of the UFO. We did not find any of these on our examination of the second generation internegatives and we had sharp, clear, dense images to work with. We advised our colleagues in this research of GSW's discovery and they were also unable to find such anomalies.

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b. Double Exposure — Now this would be difficult indeed. Nearly all of Meier's photographs were shot on 36-frame rolls of positive transparency film and on more than one occasion, he shot more than three rolls of film during the UFO event. In some of the series of photos, he photographed the ship above the horizon and then descending below the horizon, with the frames in numbered sequence. Sometimes there were other obstructions in the photographs. To successfully shoot 108 frames, in sequence, of the UFO image against a dark background, then go out and shoot a ten or twelve-frame run in sequence, with the UFO in proper position relative to the new background scene, every time, several times in succession, without having the image get lighter by the second exposure and without having it in a position where it overlaps something else or crosses another line or is malpositioned in flight trajectory in sequence as it gets smaller in size going away from the photographer — this is stretching the point a little! We must also remember that while he is successfully doing this, more than once, he is using a camera that he can't look through or change the focus, plus being one-armed and having to do everything with that handicap!

c. Double Print Method — This admittedly could be done in a laboratory, even a home photo lab, but the nearest lab to Meier is 80 kilometers away. For him to do it himself is out of the question, so he would require collaborators. He would need equipment and facilities. He has no equipment and no easy access to any. He had no running water in his house, no temperature control, bare-bulb electrical power and no darkroom potential, no available space, no privacy and no storage place for equipment to keep it unseen. None of the witnesses there ever saw any photo processing equipment around and no one ever saw him using any or any evidence that he had used any. There were eight people living in the house, all potential observers. No photo processing chemicals were available near him and he would have difficulty going and coming with chemicals, models, equipment or anything else on his open moped transportation and he still had a one-arm limitation.

Of the spacecraft near a tree on facing pages 35 and 36 of our book. I measured that distance to be 52 yards (156 feet) from the camera. By "computer analysis" mentioned by Korff, I must assume that this was the one made by GSW through Spatial Data Systems, which included a color contour treatment on Dr. Maccabee's program. This was only a simple color-coding program for basic separation, in primary colors, of basic data, with no definite purpose. This photo, not shown by Korff, was published in Japan's UFOs and Space Magazine. It showed the entire object in the same shade of red as the entire tree and trees in the picture. Now even an untrained eye can see that the top of the object is not anywhere near the color of the tree, nor is the bottom. To get the same color for both means that the red was assigned for all values in the tree and the UFO. This is no analysis. On the other hand, contrasting colors could have been assigned, one to the shades of brown in the tree and the other to the shades of blue and gray in the UFO. We would then have a different picture entirely. When we tried this, we found the branches to be in front of the UFO. The photographer actually estimated the craft in the photo to be about 50 vards beyond the tree, out over the valley, even beyond the top of another big tree down the hill that looks like a bush at the base of the primary tree in this photo.

I don't know how GSW "interpreted" the branches of the primary tree to be behind the UFO, since they all came out in *exactly the same red color* on the color contouring used by GSW.

That the density (gray value) of the shadow bottom of the UFO varies appreciably from features in the tree should be expected. They are at different angles to the sun and of completely different textures. If they did not vary, something would be amiss.

The "double print" explanation for such a photo is ridiculous.

Korff states that "the computer digitizing scan of the edges of the UFO and foreground features . . . reveals that the UFO is in the same plane." First of all, this is fallacious at the 5 micron digitizing done by Spatial Data Systems. The pixel count would probably not vary at all across any of the edges in the picture at this broad a range. The second implication, that they are in the same plane because of this, is difficult to analyze because they don't mention which picture they are talking about. However, except for the shots with the movie camera, or the tripod, or the moped in the scene (which are not in the ten photos sent to GSW), there are no close foreground objects for comparison — except trees, and they characteristically have a different edge from a finished surface. The smooth edge of uniform density on the UFO is to be expected since it was hovering when the photo was made.

A model of eight inches diameter, as suggested, taking up 20% of the width of the picture frame as observed, would be seven feet from the lens; anything beyond fifteen feet would be out of focus at most settings. We do not find this in the Meier photographs.

Korff then goes on to state that all these frames can be duplicated with a basic camera and darkroom equipment. Von Keviczky stated the same thing, yet neither of them have come up with even one such photograph. In our case, we have a wonderful society here where we can obtain everything we need in the way of equipment, chemicals and facilities. We have running water, controlled temperatures, print dryers, darkrooms, special lights, etc., and we have both arms and as many confederates as we care to work with. Why haven't they duplicated just one of the photos in question?

The statement that the bottom portions of the UFOs are always dark is certainly unfounded as may be seen

"California Report" By Ann Druffel

Interpreting the Bailey Case

Following the publication of Part I of "Controversial Entity Photos from California" in this column (Jan. 1981, No. 155) a Pandora's box seemed suddenly unlatched. An account of Harrison E. Bailey's CE III in a wooded area outside Orland Park, Ill., on September 24, 1951 was received favorably by many researchers. The case did not seem to differ substantially from dozens of other CE IIIs and CE IVs² which have found their way into print in respected journals and magazines.

However, in January 1980 the same percipient, now a licensed Baptist minister in Pasadena, California, brought forward a dozen Polaroid pictures which were purportedly a

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by the photographs shown on pages 15, 17/18, 19, 37/38, 53, 55 and 58 in the book. I suppose that by Korff's line of reasoning, these are the 20-30 foot diameter craft.

There is no ground shadow visible in the picture frame on the cover photo of the book because the shot was made at 5:30 in the afternoon and the sun's low angle would cast it completely out of the picture to the left, if it were distinguishable at all in this white sky.

The photo sequence of a disc-shaped craft circling a tree is actually reported to have taken place over a time estimated to be 3 to 4 minutes. The clouds do, in fact, move faster in the higher valleys here. The nearest weather station is 80 kilometers away, in Zurich, in a large valley with a big lake, and their weather is completely different. Clever superimposition of the objects that are both below and above the horizon and cross the skyline, as suggested by Korff, with no evidence of the skyline showing, would be a clever trick indeed!□

film record of an alien visitation into his home. As a consequence, the Bailey case became unacceptable to some researchers, even though his unusual "visitors" seemed to be the same creatures whom he had encountered in 1951 and which had seemed to visit him occasionally during the intervening years by means of experiences he thought were vivid dreams.

These researchers seemed unable to accept implications of paranormality inherent within the visitation as described by Bailey, and also permanently imprinted on the pictures themselves.

Several serious questions have been raised regarding the manner in which the case was investigated, toward certain hypnotic techniques used, in 1977, to elicit details of Bailey's apparent abduction experience within the landed craft in 1951, and toward Rev. Bailey's character and emotional stability. These questions took the form of editorial comments by my good friend and colleague, Editor Richard Hall, in the January 1981 issue and also in a "Letter to the Editor" by Alvin Lawson, Ph.D., whose comments in the April 1981 issue reflected the feelings of W.C. McCall. M.D. as well.

I feel obliged to answer all the specific questions raised on this case. The main problem is lack of space, since the questions can only be answered by explaining complex situations in Rev. Bailey's life. Short replies cannot adequately clarify the misunderstandings. A good place to start, however, is with the comment by Editor Dick Hall that, during a May 18, 1977 hypnotic session, Bailey was repeatedly "prompted and was obligingly suggestible" as he

described an abduction aboard an oval craft, examined by two short-statured aliens with distorted features, and given a message which he was to carry back to the U.S. Government and to the American people.

Editor Hall picked out one paragraph in the 42-page transcript in which Dr. McCall, as hypnotist, asks Bailey to "use your imagination. I want you to imagine you were taken aboard." Studying the entire transcript, it becomes clear that this particular technique was employed by Bill McCall to try to break through a stubborn block, seemingly caused by fear of ridicule in Baileys's hypnotically regressed mind. Several techniques had been tried prior to this approach during the same session, but had produced no results. Seeking to clarify the situation, I asked R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D., a pioneer in hypnotic regression of UFO close encounter witnesses, to give his opinion on the session's transcript and received the following reply:

To Whom It May Concern:

I have been asked by Ann Druffel, 257 Sycamore Glen, Pasadena, CA 91105, to offer my opinion regarding the typescript of an interview with Reverend Harrison Bailey, with hypnotic suggestions by Dr. Wm. McCall and UFO investigators Dr. Alvin Lawson and Mrs. Ann Druffel.

I am happy to provide my opinion and I am willing to respond to specific questions or comments about this statement.

I have no way of verifying, or even evaluating, the information which came out of the hypnotic session; however, I believe that Dr. McCall has done an excellent job in providing suggestions which were acceptable to Reverend Bailey, so that Reverend Bailey might explore his memories, or impressions, of the experiences which had occurred to him in 1951. In

Dear Bonnie baby,

101 WAYS TO USE A UFO...

With apologies to author Simon Bond (101 Uses for a dead cat):---

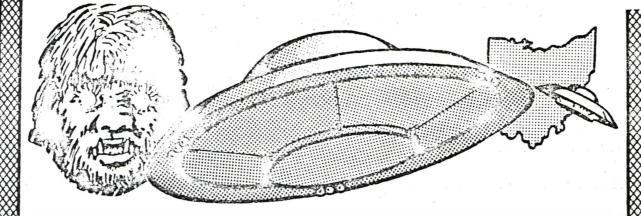
- Have you ever seen a UFO? No? Well, now you're looking at one: I'm ugly, fat and old?
- 2. UFO's have been in use by the Canadian Postal system for 19 years. They get the mail there at the speed of light. (But where in hell is "there"?)
- 3. EXXON's merger with UFO creates this new corporate name: OUFXXONE.
- 4. The US Post Office plans to issue a commemorative stamp honoring UFO'S but—they say it won't have glue on the back. When asked why, an official said, "Well, they don't stick around long, do they?"
- 5. Don't send a UFO to Carl Sagan: --he'll return it with a letter asking for authentication, documentation, and billions and billions in postage due!
- 6. Send your best picture of a UFO to the NATIONAL ENQUIRER: -- they'll headline it, "NATALIE WOODS APPEARS OVER HOLLYWOOD".
- 7. Don't send your best 3-D color picture to the WALL STREET JOURNAL. They'll run it on pg. 55 under, "DEMOCRATS LAUNCH A TRIAL BALLOON TO DETERMINE IF ANYONE REMEMBERS THEM."
- 8. George Siegel (Producer of CE III) committed suicide when informed that FO'S are unidentified.
- 9. Glue two pie pans together and when you see J. Allen Hyneck, throw them up in the air in frontof him. "Cause of death: Cardiac Arrest).
- 10. UFO is not in Websters new revised edition dictionary. They are ahead of his time.
- 11. UFO is listed on the American Stock Exchange under "highly speculative, returns on investments unknown."
- 12. One little green man walked into your office and exclaimed, "What do you mean my ship is unidentified, and unknown? It flies doesn't it? It's round, saucer shaped ain't it? It gives off green, blue, red, yellow, and white light? So, it is not a "U" as in UFO. It is an "F" as in "Flying". and it's an Object as in UFO, right? So then... it flies, it is known world-wide, its got color; Radar picks it up; hell editor, the U. S. Stealth Bomber Carter referred to is the real unknown flying object...That one you believe exists! What are you? Cranks? Get off my case." Compared to the Stealth Bomber, my craft ain't peanuts!"

13. If I were to list the other 89 uses for a UFO, we'd both be millionaires. Sorry.

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The Commerce Department's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration space-craft, NOAA-7, used to check cloud cover for Weather forecasters, is doing double duty by watching for forest fires.

The satellite is equipped with an infra-red sensor and is capable of measuring temperature variations on the earth's surface in cloud-free areas. Therefore, it keeps a particularly close eye on Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana, looking for the telltale black spots indicating heat.

I guess we could say it's Smokey the Bear in outer space.

From the Editor by Robert S. Easley

PHENOMENA, NOTES AND COMMENTARY:

Janet and Colin Bord's Alien Animals (1981 by Stackpole Books, P. 0. Box 1831, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17105; 258 pages, \$12.95) is by far one of the best books I have read on this intriguing subject! Their research is meticulous, and their knowledge and insights into this phenomena is extremely valuable.

The book is divided into six chapters, the first five dealing with the "animals" and the last trying to answer the many questions that are posed by the appearance of the "animals". The five "animals" discussed are (actual chapter titles): "elusive lake monsters," "cats that can't be caught," "mysterious black dogs," "giant birds and birdmen" and "man or manimal?"

The extensive photographs and illustrations, appendixes, bibliography, notes and index are also comprehensive and valuable to any researcher!

If you only read one book in 1982, make it <u>Alien Animals</u> by Janet and Colin Bord. It will make a difference in your beliefs!

If you decide to read two books in 1982, make sure the second one is <u>Missing Time</u> by Budd Hopkins (1981 by Richard Marek Publishers, Inc., 200 Madison Ave., New York, N.Y., 10016; 258 pages, \$12.95). It is "a documented study of UFO abductions" that is done extremely well.

Hopkins focuses on both known and unknown abduction cases, and his research and investigation into the cases themselves makes his book far more believable then if he had just reported on someone else's work.

After reading <u>Missing</u> <u>Time</u> I may have to re-vamp my thinking on the abduction cases. Hopkins paints a strong case for their existence, and forces one to accept the possibility that perhaps the "aliens" are indeed abducting humans for whatever purposes they deem necessary. It is a frightening possibility!

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Bookmaker drops odds against aliens landing on Earth to 100-1

Houston Chronicle

SAN DIEGO (AP) - A British bookmaking company says heavy betting from San Diego County has dropped odds from 500-1 to 10%-1 against an alien landing on Earth within the next

About \$10,000 has been wagered recently, most of it from followers of a San Diego area mystic, according to a spokeswoman for Ladbroke & Co. Ltd.

"We've taken so much money in the last couple of weeks that the odds have gone way down." Bernice Kerr of the London betting house told The San Diego Union.

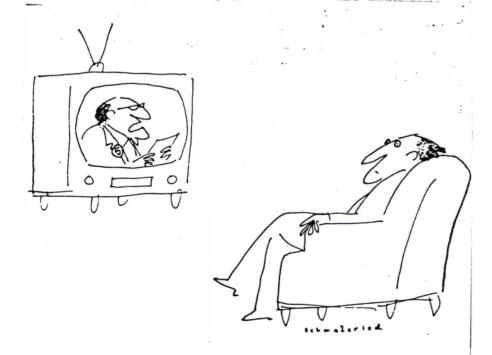
Under terms of the bet, the bookrhaker will pay off "if aliens from

outer space land or crash on Earth. alive or dead." within 12 months from the date the wager is accepted.

Kerr said the surge of bets came from followers of 80-year-old Ruth Norman, co-founder of the Unarius Educational Foundation in nearby El Cajon.

Ladbroke's routinely handles unusual bets, which range from the discovery of the Loch Ness monster to the chances of Princess Diana giving birth to a boy or girl.

Kerr said many of the bettors indicated that Ms. Norman had predicted a visit from interplanetary creatures this month.



"Scientists say more eruptions are possible, but, then, scientists say a lot of things, don't they?"

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UFO studies gain favor in China

By TIMOTHY McNULTY Globe-Democrat-Chicago Tribune **News Service**

PEKING - More than 200 people saw the "bright pearl" in the sky as it slowly descended over the lake for many days. It became bigger and oigger, frightening them. One scientist, Sher Kud. said its light was so intense — "like a big fireball" - he builde t look straight at it but judged its size nom the shadow it threw on the ground.

When Shen wrote about it later he titled his account: "The Guest from Outside the World." That was 920 years ago. Since then China has been publicly unaffected by stories of strange things that fly in the air, though similar tales have spawned believers and scoffers in the West for decades. But that indifference is changing.

Now "UFO-logists," as they call themselves, are emerging from Tibet to inner Mongolia. Reports of new and old sightings of UFOs make it sound like China is at the main traffic light between this world and numerous others.

More than 500 reports have come in since the "China UFO Research Organization" was established last May. Nearly that many professional believers also have signed up in UFO chapters set up in universities throughout China.

Two UFO magazines are published and letters to the editor columns print appeals for public investigations. The most recent sighting was in Tibet, where residents of five cities reported nearly the same UFO description: "A bright object surrounded by a ring of blue-white light of variable brightness As it moved, the center brightened and began rotating opposite to the movements of its surrounding rings, which began to dim and widen at the same time."

Later, the New China News Agency reported excitedly that an American construction worker witnessed a similar unidentified flying object on the same night as the one in Tibet.

"It was round or slightly egg-shaped in the center, with well-defined, Saturn-like rigs," said the American, who was not named but was quoted by the UFO Education Center in Valley City, Calif. "The ring closest to the craft was an intense blue-white, something like hot metal. It was so hot that it just turned a purplish color. There was a very thin red outline at the outermost edge of the rings."

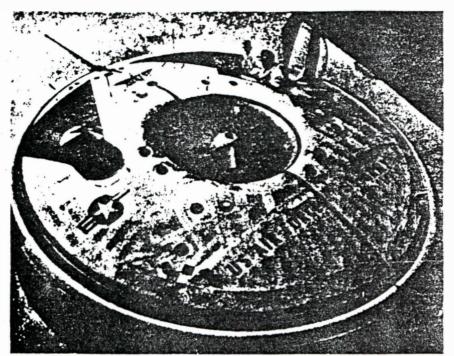
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The company is currently engaged on a re air and overhaul contract for its CF-100 twin-jet long-range all-weather fighter, a full description of which has appeared in previous editions of All the World's Aircraft.

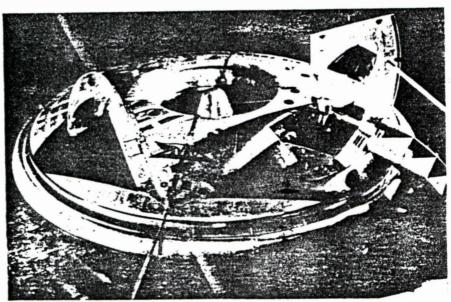
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The Avrocar is a VTOL aircraft which has been under development for the U.S. Department of Defense since 1955. It is a "saucer" shaped vehicle powered by three Continental 169 turbojet engines. These drive the central fan which provides a peripheral air curtain and ground cushfon for VTOL operation. In forward flight the body of the Avrocar develops aerodynamic lift and it is intended to have a maximum speed of 300 m.p.h. (480 km b.) at high attitude and range of 1.00. (480 km.h.) at high altitude and range of 1,000 miles (1,600 km.)

The prototype began its tethered flight trials on December 5, 1959 and was subsequently taken to California for development testing. It was returned to Toronto for its first tests in forward flight, which began on May 17, 1961.



The disc-shaped Aurocar, designed and developed by Auro Canada under a programme sponsored by the U.S. Army and Navy, is about to make its first flight. It is a VTOL research vehicle designed to explore vertical take-off and landing problems.

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Lasers may alter face of military technology

By PHILIP W. SMITH Newhouse News Service

WASHINGTON — The United States and the Soviet Union are on the verge of a new military technology that could be as momentous in changing the nature of warfare as the airplane and atomic bomb were in their time.

Or, the military could be facing the Edsel of weapons development.

Both military superpowers are making progress in turning science fiction's "death rays" — lasers — into more than fiction.

In an underground cavern about 30 miles north of Moscow, the Russians are building a laser weapon that may already be capable of "blinding" U.S. spy satellites.

AND THE PENTAGON has begun a six-month study that could lead to a crash program to build an orbiting laser beam capable of destroying Soviet intercontinental ballistic missiles minutes after they are launched.

There is one line of thinking that these "Star Wars" weapons may actually be the salvation of the world.

In theory, lasers and their cousins, "particle-beam" weapons, are so accurate over such great distances that armies will, for the first time, be able to shoot at each other without killing civilians in the process

At the same time, these weapons could make the world's nuclear arsenals obsolete.

"THE DEVELOPMENT of beam weapons is even more momentous than the development of the atomic bomb," says retired Maj. Gen. George F. Keegan, former director of Air Force intelligence. "Its implications for the security of the free world in this decade are so awesome that they are beyond the political comprehension of this government and most leaders of the free world."

Supporters of the U.S. beam program claim the basic technology is at hand, although everyone involved agrees many technical problems remain to

There are also many skeptics.

"It would appear that the actual, as opposed to theoretical, utility and effectiveness of these weapons are in serious doubt," says Rep. Joseph Addabo, D- N.Y., chairman of the House Defense Appropriations subcommittee.

DURING THE LAST dozen years, the Pentagon has spent \$1.5 billion on high-energy laser research. Intelligence agencies estimate the Soviets have spent \$5 billion during the same period.

The Air Force is already flying an experimental laser weapon aboard a specially configured KC-135 aircraft based at Kirkland Air Force Base in New Mexico.

Anti-tank missiles have been shot out of the air by an experimental Navy laser in California, and the Army has tested a high-energy laser mounted in a tracked vehicle similar to a tank.

Low-power lasers have been used in the military for several years, going back to the "smart" bombs of the Vietnam War. The gun on the Army's new XM-1 tank, for example, is aimed with a low-energy laser beam.

HOWEVER, TODAY'S lasers are not weapons themselves, but only make conventional weapons more accurate.

Technology now being studied would make the laser itself a weapon by generating tremendous energy and concentrating it in a narrow beam capable of burning a hole in an enemy plane or missile.

Because lasers deliver this energy at the speed of light, their power is delivered on the target instantly, eliminating the need to compute the lead time to aim and shoot a conventional weapon at a fast-moving missile or jet.

But because they are light beams, they are easily broken up.

"The simple fact is they won't work at all in fog," said a senior Pentagon official involved in laser development. Nor can lasers shoot through smoke or dust that is likely to be swirling all over a battlefield.

THESE PROBLEMS have led Defense Secretary Harold Brown to direct the U.S. laser development effort to concentrate on space-based weapons. In space, the beam can travel thousands of miles or shoot down through the atmosphere at targets on the ground, provided there is no cloud cover.

Senior defense officials today are looking at highenergy lasers primarily as defensive weapons to help protect "high-value" targets. CR. I. GURUEY

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Laser weapon fails test

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Air Force's push for a revolutionary laser weapon turned up a dud in a secret attempt to use high-intensity light to destroy a 2,000-mph missile, it was learned Tuesday.

"The test falled and we don't know why," said Col. Bob O'Brien, spokesman for the Air Force Systems Command, when asked about the airborne experiment over the China Lake, Calif., range on Monday.

Had it succeeded, the effort to destroy a supersonic air-to-air missile with a laser beam shot from a special laboratory plane would have marked significant progress toward a weapon that would drastically change the character of warfare.

O'Brien said a concentrated beam of light was aimed from a modified KC-135 i plane at a Sidewinder missile that had

been fired from an A-7 fighter-bomber. The Sidewinder is used by fighter planes in battle against other aircraft.

O'Brien said scientists are trying to evaluate the causes of the failure, posing two basic questions: "Dld we miss it? Or did we hit it and nothing happened?"

He promised future test efforts, but would not speculate on a time frame because this will depend, he said, on what the scientists learn from the failure.

Ground-based laser test devices of the Air Force, Army and Navy have knocked down pilotless drone alreraft, drone helicopters and an antitank missile, but high-energy lasers never before have been used in an effort to kill an air-to-air missile from an airplane.

A successful laser weapon could destroy even a fast-moving target instantly, before the target could take evasive action. Laser light can travel one mile in

the time it takes a supersonic plane making twice the speed of sound to move one-eighth of an inch, Pentagon scientists sav.

A laser weapon system would include both a generator of high-powered light and a key control device that would focus the beam on a vulnerable spot on the target.

"A successful laser engagement occurs only when the beam burns through the target's surface and destroys a vital component, such as the guidance system, or ignites fuel or a warhead," a Pentagon document said.

"While the energy is delivered instantaneously, the laser must dwell on the target to destroy it . . . Thus, the beamcontrol subsystem must hold the beam steady on the target aimpoint."

Scientists say there are considerable difficulties in propagating effective high-

energy laser beams in the atmosphere because atmospheric friction tends to lower beam intensity. Also, bad weather, clouds, smoke or other phenomena absorb laser-beam energy and effectively limit the range of such weapons.

Therefore, scientists believe the laser weapon would be at its most effective in the airless vacuum of space and the most promising application for such a weapon would be to destroy attacking Intercontinental ballistic missiles or hostile satellites.

Even if research tests are successful. scientists say a practical laser weapon is still years away. In space, they say, it could be at least 10 years before such a weapon could be a reality, in part because of the problems of placing a suitable and large-enough platform for such a weapon in orbit.

'Star Wars' travel. might be only 12 years away

Al Holt, 35, is a scientist for the National Aviation and Space Administration. He theorizes that within 12 years man might be able to travel via "hyperspace" - as Han Solo did In "Star Wars." He thinks each area of space has a frequency, and that if a vehicle could be attuned to the frequency of its destination, it could travel there. Holt-was interviewed by Connie Stewart.

Question: What put this odd idea in your head?

Holt: .The UEO phenomena, if UFOs are as they appear to be, if they are actually extraterrestrial visitors. The question is, why would they come here and how would they come here? It didn't make any sense for someone to hover over somebody's barnyard if it took him-300 years to get here. So right away I determined that, if we are being visited, it must be because of very short travel times.

The only way I know of getting from another galaxy to this galaxy in a very short time is to bypass space-time and go into another realm. There you could go much faster than the speed of light. because you'd no longer be in space-time.

You're talking about time as a dimension?

A: In a way, yeah.

What you're telling me is that if UFOs indeed are extraterrestrial visitors, they could be teenagers scooping the loop to take a

look at my barnyard?

A: I think it's a little bit more controlled than that. It's more likely to be a scientific expedition than to be somebody who decided he wanted to visit Earth. With the frequency of sightings and the different types of beings that are seen, you have to assume that if these are correct interpretations. there are many different civilizations visiting us.

Q: In "Star Wars," when they wanted to go to some distant place in a hurry, they jumped into hyperspace. Is that something like

your theory?

A: That is essentially what would be done. You'd select an energy configuration that has a resonance with the location you wanted to go, and travel through a type of hyperspace, or a higher dimensional space

Q: Would you explain, briefly, how this would work?

Ar By artificially generating a certain electromagnetic pattern, there should be generated a gravitational field that could nullify the earth's gravitational field. The spacecrast would be either attracted or repelled from the earth. according to the nature of the pattern. That's one type of propulsion system, which would result

from a breakthrough in our understanding of space-time field inter-

The second kind of propulsion system is the Field Resonance Propulsion System, which is more sophisticated. If you generate this artificial pattern around a spacecrast, in certain cases it may turn out that all the energy patterns around that artificial pattern may be repelling it. While not in harmony with surrounding patterns, it may be in harmony with a distant pattern. So there's a type of attraction, or resonance, established between that artificial pattern and a distant space-time pattern which, according to the theoretical model, results in a jump from this spacetime point to the distant one. Tunneling through space-time is another way of looking at it.

Essentially, in this theoretical model, time can be viewed as more of an energy flow, It loses most of

its absolute qualities.

Q: Could you reach your destination before you leave?

A: I wouldn't be willing to say that at this point. It may be that if you're going to some distant place, you have to ask yourself, how do I compare the time there with the time where I was? Since you can only work with the speed of light in space and time, you would have no way of determining exactly what time that clock says back there versus the time it says where you end up. The only way you would know is if you came back. Then you could say, well, it appeared to take this long to get there, I spent so much time there, then I came back.

Q: Would you need a spacecraft to get there, or could you do

this mentally?

A: Well, let's put it this way. There's a lot we don't know about the power of the mind. But for now, you would pretty much have to rely on the spacecraft.

Q: Would the shape of the

spacecraft matter?

A: I think the shape of the spacecraft can be quite important. Elliptical or saucer-shaped would be the shapes I'd start out with. I hate to use those words because of HERALD EXAMINER, Los Angeles, CA - June 5, 1980;

the connotations. But what you're trying to do with the artificial energy pattern is overwhelm the natural mass energy pattern and exist in the material of the spacecraft itself. So a saucer is probably best. I don't think it's an accident that the UFO phenomena we see: are, by and large, saucer shaped.

Q: Could your theory be used

for time travel?

A: Possibly, in the sense that time is going to be an elusive factor. For example, we might go to some distant point in the universe, spend a week there, and come back to find we'd only been gone 15 minutes. There will be unusual time effects. But if you extrapolate too far, you start losing. your credibility, so I hesitate to do that.

Q: How much will all this cost?

A: Well, for an initial Phase A study, I expect it's going to be somewhere between \$100,000 and \$300,000. That type of study would mean selecting two contractors to develop a design for a field physics laboratory (which would be needed to test this theory). It could cost between \$50 million and \$250 million to develop one of those. The total program (to develop the propulsion system) could cost \$5 bil-

If it's not well funded, we might as well not do it at all. Too many projects lately have suffered greatly from the fact that we've tried to go with a low-budget

approach.

We have a choice. We can develop it in the 1980s and use it in 1990s. Or we can wait until the 21st century, if we're still here to do it. I'm wondering how stable we can keep things (in the world) over the next 20 years without a breakthrough in space travel.

Q: Would you like to be one of the first people to travel this

way?

A: Oh, yeah. I grew up during Captain Video and all that. To be able to have a free rein, almost, in terms of where you want to go in space and how you get there, would be a tremendously exciting experience.

Dr. R. Leo Sprinkle is a psychologist and professor of counselling services at the University of Wyoming who has been involved in investigating the UFO enigma during much of his professional life. He has established a reputation for a humanistic and eclectic approach, and has concentrated on the reported experiences of those who have had a direct contact with the phenomenon as an abductee or contactee, or an indirect contact via telepathy. In May 1980 he arranged a weekend conference where some seventeen of these UFO witnesses gathered in order to share their experiences. The collected statements of these witnesses, who were encouraged to "compare [their] UFO encounters and communications" and to search for patterns in them, have been published as Proceedings of the Rocky Mountain Conference on UFO Investigation [in a 132-page large-format paperback, available from Dr. R. Leo Sprinkle, Division of Counseling and Testing, The University of Wyoming,

Laramie, Wyoming 82071, USA, price \$5 (surface mail) or \$8 (airmail)].

It has in recent years become increasingly evident that there is no distinct boundary between the physical UFO experience and the psychical UFO experience: the assumed dichotomy does not in fact exist. The reported experiences of these UFO witnesses range from abductions into solid craft to receiving messages in the head, and whether either is more or less "real" than another appears at present impossible to establish. Very possibly it is an irrelevant question. Dr. Sprinkle believes that by bringing these experiences into the forefront of the UFO debate "a pattern of information can emerge which will help us to learn, to understand, and to accept, the significance and meaning of the UFO experience in the lives of UFO contactees." By ignoring the hardware and concentrating on the witnesses' inner experiences, Dr. Sprinkle brings a greater humanitarian attitude to the problem, an attitude from which ufology must surely benefit.

"After 22 years of study and investigation I am convinced that the evidence is overwhelming that some UFOs are intelligently controlled vehicles from off the Earth." These are the words of nuclear physicist Stanton T. Friedman who since 1970 has earned his living by lecturing and writing about UFOs. Some of his papers, including several presented at MUFON symposia, are now available as magazine-style booklets, as follows: Flying Saucers: Four Scientific Papers comprising 'Science Fiction, Science, and UFOs', 'Fiction, Fact, and Flying Saucers', 'A Scientific Approach to Flying Saucer Behavior' and 'The Case for the Extraterrestrial Origin of Flying Saucers' (price \$3); UFOs - Myth and Mystery (price \$1.25); Flying Saucers and Physics (price \$1.25). All these can be obtained from UFORI, P.O. Box 3297, Sta. B, Fredericton, New Brunswick, E3B 2E7, Canada.

UFORI can also supply The Zeta Reticuli Incident by Terence Dickinson, a full-colour reprint of the December 1974 "Astronomy" magazine article dealing with Marjorie Fish's research on the Betty Hill star map. Comments by Carl Sagan, David Saunders and others are included in this thorough survey of the evidence for and against Ms Fish's interpretation. Also available is Zeta Reticuli Update by Terence Dickinson, a 4-page article providing additional information up to 1980. Dickinson sensibly concludes: "Despite the many attractive features of the Fish interpretation, it is certainly premature to assume it is proof that we have been visited by extraterrestrials... we can only say the Zeta Reticuli star map is provocative evidence - not proof - that extraterrestrial intelligence is visiting Earth in the 20th century."

'The Zeta Reticuli Incident' costs \$2.50 and 'Zeta Reticuli Update' costs 75 cents. For readers interested

in buying more than one of the above items, UFORI offers special reduced prices: 'Flying Saucers: Four Scientific Papers' + 'The Zeta Reticuli Incident' + 'Zeta Reticuli Update' for \$5; all three \$1.25 papers for \$3; all six items for \$7.50. The currency is US dollars, and all prices include postage by sea mail.

It is surprising that no one before now has thought to publish 'an all-picture survey' of the history of UFOs. David C. Knight's book UFOs: A Pictorial History from Antiquity to the Present (McGraw Hill Book Company, New York, \$12.95, 192 pages) covers the subject from ancient astronauts to the 1979 New Zealand lights, and there are at least two pictures on every spread, sometimes five or six. Long captions describe the pictures, and each chapter has a short introduction. Not forgotten are bibliography, glossary

and index. The 10 × 8-inches format allows the photographs to be well displayed, and the reproductions are on the whole quite good, bearing in mind the limitations imposed by the poor quality of most of the originals. How many of the UFO photographs show "true UFOs" as opposed to hoaxed UFOs or IFOs is anyone's guess. But in ufology, as also in other areas of "strange phenomena," photographic evidence poses problems. Most photographs are of small, distant objects and no detail can be made out, even when big enlargements are made. But when close-up photographs are displayed, with plenty of detail visible, the natural reaction of the cautious observer is to proclaim these photographs obvious hoaxes! Unfortunately this is what they usually turn out to be, and we are left asking the question: Why, after all these years, are there no convincing close photographs of genuine UFOs?



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