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Of planets, creatures, and things

IF YOU want to show the world how smart you are, confirm it by quoting Latin proverbs and aphorisms — ones easy to remember such as *ad astra per aspera*, which means roughly or reverently “to the stars through difficulties,” and is the state motto of Kansas.



DON SHOEMAKER

I don't know what the Founding Fathers had on their mind (a state job, probably) when Kansas was admitted to the Union in 1861, the

first year of the War of Northern Aggression, but the motto has wonderful aspirations (*astra, aspera*), keeping in mind that nobody in Kansas had yet gone to the moon.

The voyage and others like it are very much on the public mind as people ponder the possibility of life, perhaps even human life, on the two planets discovered now for sure in the system 1,500 light years away in the constellation Virgo. So the sun and its orbiting bodies are not alone in our universe. Is there someone else? as Adam said when Eve told him one night just to get lost.

I have always thought that we were absolutely alone, since constant probing of space haven't extracted a single human peep. After all, even the new-found planets are so far away that present telescopes can't reach them and



whet the desires of space creatures, if any, for frequent flier time.

But far more powerful telescopes are supposed to be on their way, so it would be imprudent to make predictions and confuse the superstore tabloids in their stumbling retreat from truth. What we do know beyond cavil is that there are two planets, each larger than Earth, whirling about a pulsar, or disfranchised star, called forgettably PSR B1257+12.

If there are humans around, they're not talking.

Should this new planetary system exist, then others are bound to be grinning at us in the outback of the universe. The temptation is to go find them, but that is daunting. We could send *Star Trek*, yet the good ship Enterprise might bring back some frightening monster-like humans of the kind that scare us witless one night a week on the idiot box.

There are things on this Earth far more deserving of attention than those so far away and free of earthly troubles

that they couldn't possibly get tangled in our miserable doings. If they did, anyway, Bob Dole would let the poor Clintons alone and sic Newt Gingrich on them, leaving Congress with nothing to do but scrounge among the deep pockets for more re-election funds.

There is the added threat of bodily harm to some nice guy if we don't quit messing around in space and send someone off to peril in the wild, blue yonder. (No matter how tempting, please include me out. I've had enough of flying at prevailing prices, and the astronauts may have to take airline food, if any, with them.)

Instead, let machines do the dirty work. We have the skills to produce flying things that can reach out in space. Surely someone has produced or can produce a gizmo that would put an end to "If we can put a man on the moon, why can't we..."

All it takes for *ad astra* is for mankind to take another giant step. But this time on a treadmill. In the exercise room.

The Future's 'Foolproof' ID

SYSTEMS BEING IMPLEMENTED TODAY

by Frank Allnut
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The Informer

Denver, Colo. — President Clinton has promised a revolution in the health care industry. Medicare's computer system is outdated and inefficient and is buried under a mountain of ever-changing regulations, medical procedure codes, and fee schedules. Clinton wants everyone to have a health-care "Smart Card." The smart card would solve the bookkeeping problems in the health care industry.

The smart card holds so much data, it would not only simplify the health care system, but could replace your wallet full of credit cards, as well as cash. Your Social Security number could be your universal account number to buy and sell in tomorrow's cashless society. But what if your smart card is lost, stolen, or mutilated beyond use?

Unauthorized use will be impossible. The card owner's fingerprint or retina scan will be programmed into the silicon "brain." It will be read by an electronic scanning device, and must match the electronic "read" of the bearer's fingerprints or retina scan. Only the rightful owner can use a smart card.

There is an answer to the

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inconvenience caused by a lost, stolen, or mutilated smart card. The technology is here today, and could be put into universal usage in the very near future. It is the Implantable Biochip. The biochip is about the size of a large grain of rice, and it is currently being implanted in animals with a needle, just under the skin.

According to Jim Seller, the president of Destron/IDI, the Boulder, Colorado firm that manufactures the Implantable Biochip, the biochip has replaced tags on dogs and cats, and brands and cowbells on cattle. The biochip is being marketed by Infopet of

Southern California, and reportedly costs about \$4.50 per unit. The Infopet provides foolproof identification since it utilizes radio transponders. It provides a means of quickly locating lost pets and stray or stolen livestock. These implanted computer chips also are being used to track the health history of cattle and swine, to identify raccoons in Europe and monitor the migration patterns of salmon in the northwest.

A Destron/IDI specifications sheet on its Injectable Transponder TX1400L describes the implantable chip this way:

"The Injectable Transponder is a passive radio-frequency identification tag, designed to work in conjunction with a compatible radio-frequency ID reading system. The transponder consists of an electromagnetic coil, tuning capacitor, and microchip sealed in a cylindrical glass enclosure. The chip is pre-programmed with a unique ID code that cannot be altered; over 34 billion individual code numbers are available. When the transponder is activated by a low-frequency radio signal, it transmits the ID code to the reading system.

Although specifically de-

signed for injecting in animals, this transponder can be used for other applications requiring a micro-sized identification tag.

The Implantable Biochip could contain your Social Security number and all your health records, financial records, police record, and your religion... everything about you! The Implantable Biochip is a radio transponder (which never needs batteries or replacement), a person may be tracked when this system is integrated with the network of twelve communications satellites that now orbit the earth. This link-up could provide

virtually instantaneous worldwide computer reception of microchip transponder signals from anywhere on the planet. There is a locator program now operating in the satellite network. It incorporates an expensive transponder that can be carried by back country skiers, hikers, and others who venture into remote areas.

Tim Willard, executive officer of the World Future Society, a Washington D.C. organization that claims 27,000 members worldwide, told the *Marin Independent Journal* that the technology behind today's microchip is "fairly uncomplicated" and with a little refinement, could be used in a variety of human applications.

"Conceivably," he said, "a number could be assigned at birth and go with a person throughout life." He said a microchip would most likely be implanted on the back of the right or left hand for convenience, "so that it would be easy to scan."

He went on to explain, "It could be used as a universal identification card that would replace credit cards, passports, that sort of thing... It could be programmed to replace a medical alert bracelet. For example, at the scene of an accident, a medic could scan the person to find out his or her recent medical history, allergies, or a relative to get in touch with. This would be especially valuable if the person was unconscious. The microchip could also replace the need for house and car keys."

Jack Dunlap, a private investigator in Tucson, Arizona, has come up with a concept for a lost child locator system he calls "KIDSCAN." It incorporated an implanted biochip that transmits a signal that bounces off a satellite to a computer screen map at police headquarters. A parent with a missing child could call the police, give the KIDSCAN Social Security number and have the child traced.

Willard believes today's microchip will be replaced in the next decade by a biochip made out of living protein. "It

will be infinitely smaller and have the capacity to carry much more information." He added that it would have the potential for "a range of functions that will boggle our minds. But it

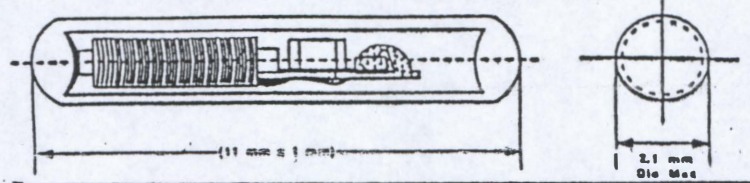
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Universal identification system could be implanted on the back of the hand

The Injectable Transponder TX1400L is a passive radio-frequency identification tag;



will carry with it the danger of abuse, particularly the loss of personal privacy."

According to Willard, a human microchip ID system "would work best with a highly centralized computer system where one identification number would gain access to medical and academic records, home security — all kinds of things." Willard says that research is underway to develop a living biochip. "This biochip — made from living protein — could be surgically implanted in the brain, making it possible to program or upload an unlimited amount of information into the mind — without having ever cracked open a book."

Christians are familiar with scripture that warns of a time when many will swear allegiance to and worship the Antichrist in exchange for the "mark of the beast." It is only with this mark that people will be able to buy or sell. One cannot speculate that the smart card or Implantable Biochip will be the mark of the beast, but they certainly are precursors. □

— MICRO CHIP IMPLANTS —

On an addition of 2020, they showed the imbedding of the MICRO CHIP. Watch for the media blitz, which will tell you that you don't need credit cards any more. The only thing you will need is a small micro chip painlessly inserted just below the skin.

In this way there will be no chance of your valuable financial information falling into the wrong hands. It will be so easy to do all your financial transactions. The aged and infants first and then everybody. The Book of Revelation is true...

Come one, come all, step right up and get your micro chip implant, good for anything that ails you.

Here is a list of some of the things the micro chip can be used for: Migraine headaches, birth control, behavior modification, upper/downer, sexual stimulants and sexual depression. This is nothing more than electronic machinery folks.

Used as a transponder, the micro chip emits a signal and gives vital information as well as location marker. I believe this chip is the MARK it talks about in Revelation 13:15-17. The word for mark in the Greek is (Chungun) cut into or scratched into.

The Antichrist will know who are his as he acts in front of the most sophisticated computer surveillance system in the world and he will also know who are not his.

Folks this is that which was spoken of in Revelation. YOU HAVE BEEN INFORMED.

Trumpet Ministries
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A mouse the size of a house?

Rodents were pretty big 100,000 years ago.

"These rodents were absolutely humungous," says scientist Ross MacPhee. "The largest ones may have been the size of a large bear."

This unbearably big rodent,

called *Amblyrhiza inundata*, roamed the Caribbean. No complete skeleton has been found.

Even so, *Amblyrhiza* doesn't win the size prize. It goes to *Telicomys*, a million-year-old rodent the size of a rhinoceros!

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EMERGENCY INTRUSIVE IDENTIFICATION LOCATER

DURING MY 32 YEARS IN MICRO TECHNOLOGY AND BIO-MICRO-TECH DESIGN I WATCHED A DEVELOPMENT PATTERN, WHERE OUT OF GOOD DEVELOPMENTS VERY OFTEN WOULD COME THINGS USED FOR EVIL. I BELIEVE THE TECHNOLOGY IS IN PLACE TO ENABLE THE CLOSE SURVEILLANCE OF EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD ON THE FACE OF THIS EARTH. THE USE AND ABUSE OF THESE BIO-TECH DEVICES ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE ABSOLUTE CONTROL REQUIRED BY THE ANTI-CHRIST IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION.

I WANT TO LIST BELOW ONE OF THESE DEVICES:

1. MICRO-CHIP IMPLANTS

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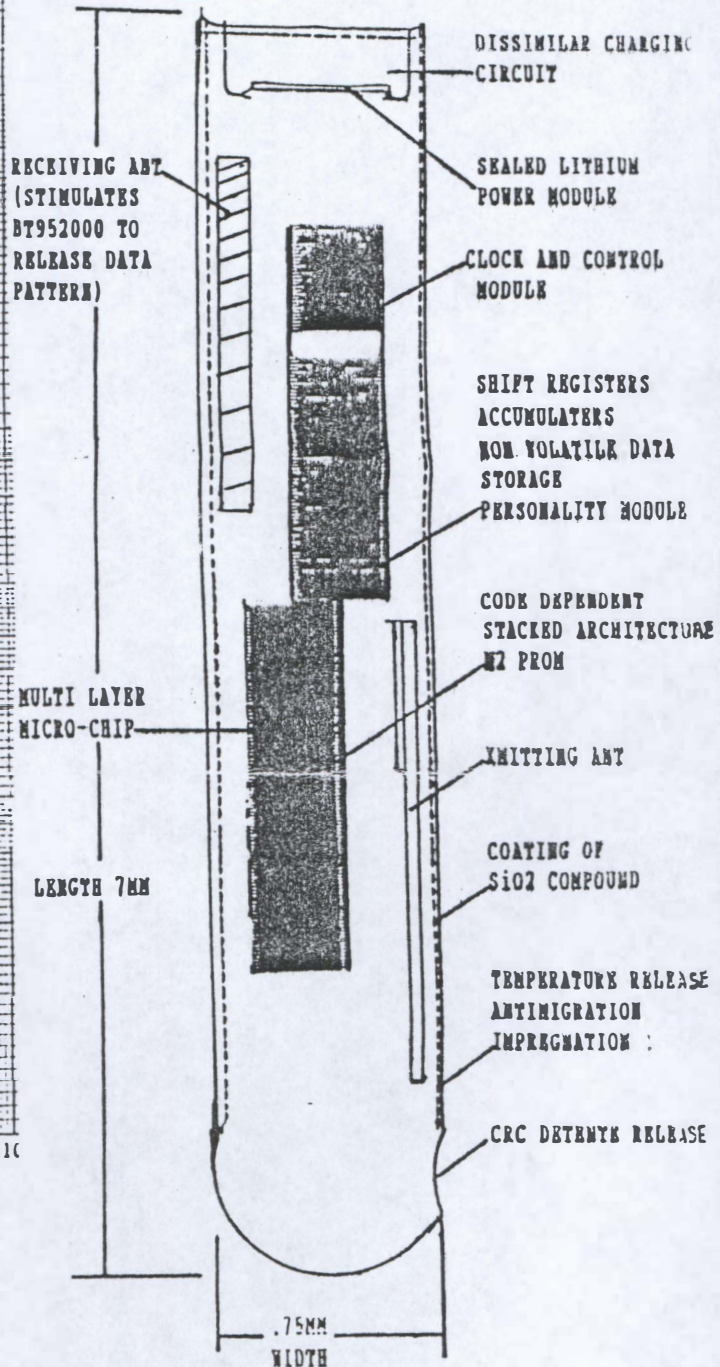
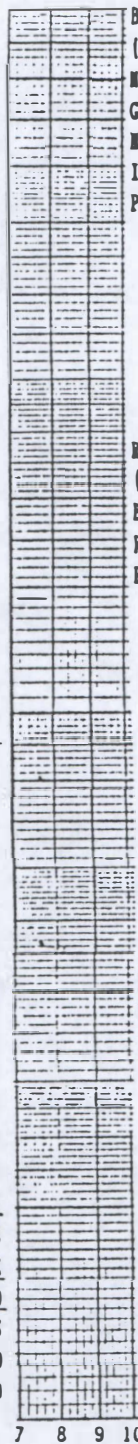
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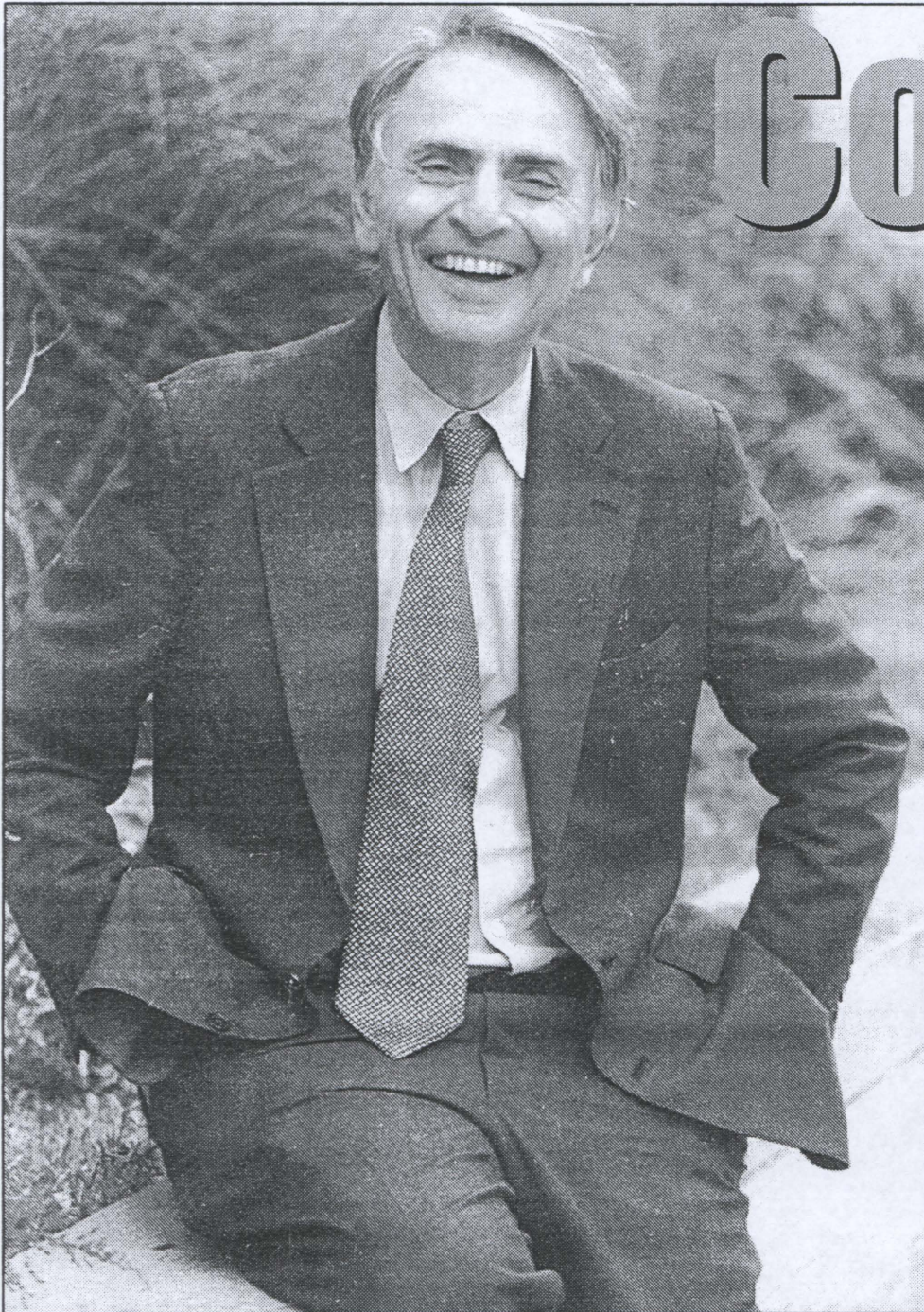
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BT952000 IMPLANTABLE BICCHIP

(EMERGENCY INTRUSIVE IDENTIFICATION LOCATER) (E.I.I.L)

NOTE. THIS IS A FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM AND IS TO BE USED GIVE YOU A GENERAL IDEA OF WHAT YOU WILL BE SEEING IN THE NEAR FUTURE. WE ARE TELLING YOU BASED ON SCRIPTURE DON'T TAKE IT. THIS IS NOT AN OPTICN FOR THE CHRISTIAN. WE ASK YOU TO PRAY.





Cosmic Carl

By **BEN DOBBIN**
Associated Press

ITHACA, N.Y. — If aliens do show up, don't expect them to resemble the mid-dling monstrosities on *Star Trek*.

"Time for us to revise our views of repulsive!" says Carl Sagan, among the most energetic stargazers.

Organic molecules, the kind that life on Earth is dependent upon, "seem to be almost everywhere in the solar system beyond Mars," suggesting that "life and intelligence ought to be in lots of places," he said.

But extraterrestrials would "almost certainly not" bear any physical resemblance to humans.

"If you started the Earth over again, absolutely identical 4-1/2 billion years ago, and just let random factors operate — when a cosmic ray would hit a gene, which gene gets mutated — you might wind up with intelligence of great moral virtue, but they would not look anything like us," he said.

The sheer grandeur of the cosmos and the riddle about whether humankind shares some distant crossroads or voyages alone have bewitched this Russian garment worker's son since childhood.

And it's a wonder most children share, he says.

"My experience is that kids are natural-born scientists. First of all, they ask the deep scientific questions: Why is the moon round? Why is the sky blue? What's the birthday of the world?"

"By the time they get into high school, they hardly ever ask questions like that. My conclusion is that everybody starts

out as an enthusiastic potential scientist and then has the science beaten out of them by society."

Sagan said his parents ("who didn't know anything about science") not only nurtured his sense of wonder, they also instilled a healthy skepticism. That mixture, he said, is the key to being a scientist.

Combined with mental agility and a flair for elucidation, it begins to explain his success in astrophysics, as both researcher and popularizer.

The author of *Cosmos*, one of the most-watched series in the history of U.S. public TV, and *The Dragons Of Eden*, which won him a Pulitzer Prize in 1978, scans the future of space exploration in his 29th book, a recently published *Cosmos* sequel called *Pale Blue Dot*. It visualizes mankind "100, 200, 300 years from now and why it is central for our survival that we be in space," he said.

Not just whizzing around in spacecraft. Actually settling other worlds.

Meanwhile, finding out whether humans are alone or not alone "is one of the most important issues you can imagine," Sagan said.

As for UFOs, lost continents and the like, the world can ill afford such pseudoscientific twaddle, Sagan said.

"Nobody would be more interested than me if we were being visited by extraterrestrials, but I demand reasonable standards of evidence, just as I do in searching for radio signals," he said.

"We sometimes pretend something is true not because there's evidence for it but because we want it to be true. We confuse reality with our hopes and fears, and that is dangerous, not just on the borders of science but in politics and lots of other places."

CARL SAGAN ... Extraterrestrials "would not look anything like us," he says.

David Suzuki



Did Earth counterattack with virus?

Your holiday must include a look at *The Hot Zone* (Random House), a book by Richard Preston that tells a terrifying true story.

"Hot zone" is technical jargon for the area in which a deadly micro-organism is located. The book concerns the outbreak of disease caused by a mysterious class of viruses called the "filovirus." Arising in Africa, the Marburg filovirus kills 25 per cent of its victims. Another, called Ebola, is 50-to-90-per-cent lethal. A person who "crashes" with the virus suffers agony: bleeding through every body opening (including the eyes, which turn bright red); ejection of sloughed linings of the gut and intestinal tract from the mouth and anus; and liquefaction of tissue and organs.

For most of humankind's history, our numbers were small and we were widely dispersed, so the outbreak of a highly infectious disease would quickly peter out. But as human populations rise and people move from rural living into dense concentrations, our species now offers a huge protoplasmic target for an infectious agent.

Human populations juxtaposed with swine and ducks in China create a peculiar incubator for exotic flu viruses that cycle through these three hosts while exchanging pieces of genes and generating new viral combinations.

Similarly, tropical rain forests are rich in species diversity and encourage the creation of new organisms through shared hosts and exchange of genetic material. HIV, which causes AIDS, apparently arose in Africa when a mutant virus was able to jump from a monkey host into humans.

The Hot Zone documents the sudden appearance of filovirus in Africa and its rapid dispersal. Fortunately, it is transmitted only by direct contact with blood. A mutant that allowed it to be spread by a cough would create an epidemiological nightmare.

When Ebola broke out in a monkey colony near Washington, technicians were reluctant to disclose all the facts (two who sniffed a vial of virus didn't want to be isolated in the "slammer"), careers and promotions were threatened, the buck was passed, and territorial battles broke out between local, state and army authorities.

People are not automatons — they are affected by personal animosities, terror or naked ambition. The point is not that authorities are evil or even flawed, but that like any of us, in a crisis, their actions will be influenced by an array of motives, not the least of which is paralyzing fear.

Preston ends the book with a warning: "The emerging viruses are surfacing from ecologically damaged

parts of the Earth. Many of them come from the tattered edges of tropical rain forest or tropical savanna that is being settled rapidly by people.

"The tropical rain forests are the deep reservoirs of life on the planet . . . (including) viruses, since all living things carry viruses. In a sense, the Earth is mounting an immune response against the . . . flooding infection of people, the dead spots of concrete all over the planet. . . The Earth is attempting to rid itself of an infection by the human parasite. Perhaps AIDS is the first step in a natural process of clearance."

This book is an important warning for modern civilization. And it is not fiction.

Brainwashing realities are terrifying enough

The Monkey-Puzzle Tree

BY ELIZABETH NICKSON
Knopf Canada, 277 pages, \$27.00

BY MATT COHEN

In the early 1950s, in the midst of the Korean War, the United States became aware that the communists were using brainwashing as a weapon. The CIA promptly began its own experiments in mind control. Not wanting to risk the political consequences of experiments on their own citizens, they hit upon the ingenious idea of using Canadians.

The experiments were carried out under the direction of Dr. Ewan Cameron, at the Allen Memorial Institute, a Montreal psychiatric hospital linked to McGill. There, numerous patients were drugged, electroshocked, lobotomized and otherwise tortured on the pretext that such treatments would cure them of their mental illnesses.

In 1988, as the result of a lengthy lawsuit, nine of these patients received a settlement from the CIA for damages suffered.

Many articles and books have been written about Cameron's "experiments," most notably Anne Collins' *The Sleep Room*.

Elizabeth Nickson, whose mother was one of the subjects, now tells the story in fictional form in *The Monkey-Puzzle Tree*, her first novel.

This novel has not one central story but three. First there is the story of Catherine, the protagonist-narrator, a young journalist who has burned out early, and is crippled by fatigue. Finding out the truth about her mother energizes her, and allows her to re-see

her family history and to renew her relationships with mother, father and brother.

Second, there is the story of her mother, Victoria. A woman who started seeing Cameron for post-natal depression, she became the subject of a series of brutal and vicious experiments whose object was to see if people can be "re-programmed" after everything they started with has been destroyed. Incredibly, she manages to reconstitute the details of her experiences in a diary — and the excerpts from this diary are among the best passages in the book. Thirdly, there is the recounting of the (real) lawsuit that was carried on by a Washington law firm against the CIA on behalf of those who suffered from these experiments.

The Monkey-Puzzle Tree is well-written and often exciting. Yet I wish that the balancing point between fiction and non-fiction had been elsewhere located, and that the dramas of mother and daughter had not been surrendered to the documentary material.

Surely what is so terrible about Cameron's experiments is the terror he inspired in his patients, the devastating effect on their lives and the lives of those who surrounded him, the way the government-sponsored lies and cover-ups that followed denied the reality of people's lives. Allowing that reality its fully imaginative scope should have been the centre of this otherwise remarkable novel.