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From: **Brian Cuthbertson** <brianc@fc.net>
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 01:04:46 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 02:28:29 -0500
Subject: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 03:11:28 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 09:01:20 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

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> object.

I think this is a hoax. The main thing that grabbed my attention was the
reference to Pacific Standard Time... Brown lives in Atlanta, Georgia which
is on Eastern Time and I don't think that newstories usually use such
designations in their stories anyway.

The last paragraph is kind of a no-brainer too. It's simply not true that he
admitted that he faked the photograph.

Usually you don't see things like "massive amounts of sleeping pills" used in
an article either. Brian, you did not attach who this was posted by. Do you
have that information? Whoever it was, did not go out of their way to get
things correct.

Rebecca

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From: budscan@juno.com (Bud Jamison)
Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 03:46:25 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 10:26:55 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

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object.

Why would AP write THAT particular paragraph (it was the
astronomer/professor from the University of Hawaii that 'exposed' the
photo)?

In fact, with Mr. Brown being a nobody, really, why would they write
ANYthing about him?

Not to mention the false report of Art Bell's death last week.

Too many children with too much time on their hands. :(

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AUFORA News Update - Satanic UFOs?!?

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Date: Sat, 1 Mar 97 02:17:36 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 10:28:09 -0500
Subject: AUFORA News Update - Satanic UFOs?!?

AUFORA News Update
March 1st, 1997 <http://www.aufora.org>

DEFENSE CHEIF WARNS OF 'SATANIC UFOs'
by Ruth Gledhill, Religion Correspondent
The Times of London

<See bottom for AUFORA's commentary>

A former head of the Armed Forces has helped to form a pressure group to warn of the satanic nature of many unidentified flying objects.

Admiral of the Fleet Lord Hill-Norton, Chief of Defence Staff, 1971-73, is involved with UFO Concern out of worry that some UFO encounters are "definitely antithetical to orthodox Christian belief", according to today's Church Times.

The Rev Paul Inglesby, a sub-deacon in an Orthodox church, who is secretary of UFO Concern, said the truth about UFOs has been suppressed for many years. He had never seen a UFO himself but knew many who had. "It is what they do and the messages that come from them that are anti-Christian, or demonic." A memo about the new group had been sent to the editors of various UFO magazines, and letters of support had been received by, among others, a professor and a prisoner he added.

Gordon Creighton, a Buddhist who edits Flying Saucer Review, said the group's founders were right to be concerned: "I do believe that the great bulk of these phenomena are what is called satanic."

However, David Wilkinson, a Methodist minister and an astrophysicist whose "Alone In The Universe" (Monarch L7.99) was published this month, told Church Times that Christians had nothing to fear from alien life forms.

Lord Hill-Norton, 82, confirmed last night that he had helped to found UFO Concern, but declined further comment.

AUFORA Commentary:

This is simply another amazing misinterpretation of the UFO phenomenon. The connecting of UFOs to ANYTHING, whether it be extraterrestrial life or religion is just stupid! UFOlogy is inherently the study of things which are NOT known. How can people, then, associate UFOs with concrete ideals.

What is even more disturbing is the blatant human bias here. Humans really know very little, and thus most human judgements are wrong.

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'Special Prosecutor' for James Oberg?

From: **Grant Robert Cameron** <gcameron@cc.umanitoba.ca>
Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 07:10:26 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 10:29:25 -0500
Subject: 'Special Prosecutor' for James Oberg?

Over the past number of years a lot has been written about a crash of an object at Kecksburg, Penns. on Dec.9,1965, and the movement of the recovered object to WPAFB.

In the Sept.1993 issue of Omni Mr. James Oberg "hinted" that the cause of the crash was the Soviet Cosmos-96 probe. Following my disclosure that Dr. Eric Walker, former President of Penn. State University, and former high ranking government official involved with the UFO situation from the start, had rushed to the Kecksburg crash site - Mr. Oberg again hinted that Walker's presence was indicative of the crash of Cosmos-96.

However during the internet debate, related to Mr. Oberg's theory, Mr. Oberg chose to remain silent, except to send me a personal E-mail questioning why I would trust Soviet statements on Cosmos-96. Mr. Oberg chose to leave the defence of his position to TRW physicist Dr. Michael Hofmeister, who unfortunately was ill-prepared to defend Mr. Oberg's theory. Dr. Hofmeister finally admitted that he had never even read Mr. Oberg's Omni article outlining the theory.

James Oberg has always been described as an expert on the Soviet Space Program, and as a hard-line UFO sceptic. He has been very vocal about the accuracy of his information. "I've been waiting," James Oberg once said, "for an ufonut to describe a factual error or checkable counter-example to stuff I've been publishing since about, oh, 1974 or so on UFOs, and so far no luck..."

Because of these things many chose to accept Oberg's Cosmos-96 theory without checking. Because of Mr. Oberg's outspoken confidence in his facts concerning UFOs, it seemed strange that Mr. Oberg chose to stay out of the defence of his pet theory relating to the Kecksburg crash, leaving it for others not as smart as himself to defend.

In preparation for a paper on the Kecksburg crash, I came across a number of new pieces of information. Among those was an item that might explain why Mr. Oberg has been so silent about his Cosmos-96 theory so proudly displayed to the world in 1993. The quote is from David Templeton's special investigation into the Kecksburg crash called "The Uninvited" and written up in the Pittsburg Press newspaper June 19,1991. The quote speaks for itself:

"Oberg reviewed orbital coordinates for the probe that the Pittsburg Press obtained from the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md. Although Cosmos-96's orbit crossed the Northeastern United States, he said the tracking coordinates prove that it could not have come down in Kecksburg at 4:46 p.m. - the hour the fireball was seen there... 'Cosmos-96 is not guilty,' Oberg concluded."

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From: **Peregrine Mendoza** <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 28 Feb 97 20:38:25 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:04:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

The Duke of Mendoza presents his compliments to the List.

> From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
> Subject: Sorry, not taking the bait
> To: updates@globalserve.net (Errol Bruce Knapp)
> Date: Thu, 27 Feb 1997 10:43:25 -0600 (CST)

> Nope. Not going to do it.

> It's a philosophical issue now. "Is the UFO an airplane or an earth
> light?" There's no way to respond in a forum like this.

First Dr R!***!d B!l!n cannot afford a dollar to put up against my grand. Then Thomas Rice is far too busy to do a quick RV experiment. Next the cat gets Stan Friedman's tongue. Now Chris Rutowski finds himself strangely incapable of answering a few straight questions and (unless I mistake him) feels that philosophy is above the rest of us. Shame on you sir. Although Wittgenstein did say: "Wovon mann nicht sprachen kann, daruber muss mann schweigen." (What a person cannot say, he should be silent about.)

Or are you pleading the Fifth Amendment, Chris?

best wishes
P. Mendoza Brightesnout
[Peter Brookesmith]

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide? (Knuckle Rap)

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:05:39 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:05:39 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide? (Knuckle Rap)

Below is a classic example of how not to quote.

Despite the fact that I have, several times, sent 'Posting Instructions' to the List, some subscribers still refuse to do minimal editing to their posts here.

Simply hitting 'reply' and keying in a response above the completely quoted message is not good enough. It's unacceptable, wastes band-width and takes up hard-drive space at The Archive.

In future, messages such as the one below, will not be posted to the List.

I trust I've made myself perfectly clear?

ebk

Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 09:35:47 -0500 (EST)
From: "Klemm - Pamela S." <psklemm@umd5.umd.edu>
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

Also think it is a hoax. This was on aav yesterday and a quick trip to the Atlanta Constitution/Journal site both yesterday and today do not list Courtney Brown in their obituary listings or headlines. Out of total curiosity I went to the FarSight chat room and no one there has heard this.

Mark Twain said something about "the rumors of my death are greatly exaggerated" and I believe this might apply here...

Pam

On Sat, 1 Mar 1997, UFO UpDates - Toronto wrote:

> From: XianneKei@aol.com
> Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 03:11:28 -0500 (EST)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

>
> > Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 01:04:46 -0600 (CST)
> > From: Brian Cuthbertson <brianc@fc.net>
> > To: updates@globalserve.net
> > Subject: Courtney Brown

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> > =====
> > Article 136454 of alt.alien.visitors:
> > Subject: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide
> > Date: Thu, 27 Feb 1997 23:34:07 GMT

> > FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

>
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> > 1997. He was 54 years of age. At approximately 4:24AM PST Thursday,
> > February 25, 1997, Brown suffered massive cardiac arrest shortly after
> > taking a massive amount of sleeping pills. Found by a friend, he was
> > immediately taken to the University Medical Center at 2169 Highway
> > 160, only 10 minutes from his home. The cause of death has
> > tentatively been determined to be cardiac arrest pending further
> > investigation. Attending doctors worked on him for almost an hour
> > before he was pronounced dead. He is survived by his widow, Marylin
> > and his teenage daughters, Sammy and Carrie.

>
> > Brown began his career in teaching at the age of 23 He was
> > recently discredited by the highly respected Whitley Strieber on the
> > Art Bell Radio show when he was forced to admit he had faked a
> > photograph of the infamous comet Hale-Bopp with a false "Companion"
> > object.

>
> I think this is a hoax. The main thing that grabbed my attention was the
> reference to Pacific Standard Time... Brown lives in Atlanta, Georgia which
> is on Eastern Time and I don't think that newstories usually use such
> designations in their stories anyway.

>
> The last paragraph is kind of a no-brainer too. It's simply not true that he
> admitted that he faked the photograph.

>
> Usually you don't see things like "massive amounts of sleeping pills" used in
> an article either. Brian, you did not attach who this was posted by. Do you
> have that information? Whoever it was, did not go out of their way to get
> things correct.

> Rebecca
>
>

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Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

From: Paul Williams <paulw@escape.com>
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 09:45:20 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:07:22 -0500
Subject: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

>Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 01:04:46 -0600 (CST)
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>To: updates@globalserve.net
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> (AP) - University professor and claimed remote viewer Courtney
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>1997.

Hello, not true people. I spoke to Dr. Brown my self this Saturday morn
around 9:30am. When Cosmic Voyage came out I interviewed him for my show.
So one more time, Dr. Courtney Brown is alive and well at least on
Saturday March 1, 1997.

Peace y'all
Paul Williams
Producer UFO Desk
WBAI NY 99.5 FM

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Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

From: Michael Christol <mchristo@mindspring.com>
Date: Fri, 28 Feb 1997 23:22:01 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:03:11 -0500
Subject: Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>From: Peregrine Mendoza <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: Dr. Michael Wolf

>The Duke of Mendoza presents his compliments.

>> ----- Forwarded Message Follows -----
>> From: "Michael Hockney" <bhockney@vip.net>
>> To: <skywatch@phoenix.net>
>> Subject: COSMIC TOP SECRET / DR. MICHAEL WOLF
>> Date: Tue, 18 Feb 1997 00:55:57 -0800

>[snip]

>> This article is in UFO MAGAZINE and the interview was conducted
>> by James Courant, transcribed by Graham W. Birdsall.

>>[snip]

>>Sadder still are the editorial standards of the Birdseed Bros who
>>published this rubbish. It marks a new low in a magazine already
>>guaranteed to give those of culture and taste an astonished guffaw
>>with every turn of the page. Their motives would make interesting
>>reading. So will their reactions to the screams of "disinformation"
>>that ought, on previous form, to be expected from various quarters.

>>best wishes
>>P. Mendoza Brassrubber
>>(A usual suspect)

>The "Birdseed Bros" - that brings back 26-year-old memories from our
> schooldays!

>Well, regardless of what one may or may not think of Dr. Michael Wolf, I
> simply reported on the statements made by James Courant at the 15th Leeds
> International UFO Conference (6 - 8 September 1996) and subsequently
> transcribed to the best of my ability audiotape interviews between said
> gentlemen.

>The transcript duly appeared in our Nov/Dec '96 issue of the magazine which
> appeared on newsstands on Thursday, 24 October 1996.

>However, in the interest of balance, it is only fair and reasonable to
> quote what I had to say in the end paragraph of said article:

>"In our opinion, Dr. Michael Wolf is either one of the most convincing
> story-tellers seen for decades, or he might just turn out to be the most
> important figure to emerge in Ufology for the last 50 years. Only time will
> tell."

>What is equally important to recognise is that the article surfaced only
> weeks after Dr. Wolf had spoken on radio in the United States - until that
> time nobody had ever heard of the man. Had we not published the transcript
> of his interview with James Courant, would we be any the wiser? Wolf could
> have gone on to establish himself as yet another mysterious figure able to
> pop out of the woodwork at any given time.

>I also wrote in the final summary of the feature: "... doubtless he will
> come under the most intense media spotlight (along with UFO researchers
> too) as they seek to confirm or deny all or part of his [Dr. Wolf's]

>incredible revelations." To be fair, only Stanton T. Friedman made the
>effort to check-out Dr. Wolf's credentials. It's taken 5 months for any
>further comment.

>Motives behind our decision to publish? To allow other researchers to duly
>scrutinise Dr. Wolf's background in the United States and pass comment (and
>judgement) accordingly. That we achieved.

>Best regards,
>Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]
>UFO Magazine

Hi Graham.

I simply wish to say that I have known Dr. Michael Wolf since 1992.
I average talking to him by phone two or three times a year. His
health has been bad for these past years, suffering from terminal
cancer, which goes in and out of remission from time to time. I have
spoken to him at times, just after he had taken a Chemo treatment.
He was very weak, yet he would always spend a few minutes with me in
conversation.

I guess we are more or less friends, but I never press him to reveal
info to me, which he deems clasified. That is/was his life style prior
to his illness. I respect his right to privacy. Thus we have been able
to communicate without fear of reproachment.

REgards, Mike

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

From: **Steven Kaeser** <skaeser@konsulting.com>
Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 10:59:43 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:09:18 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

> Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 01:04:46 -0600 (CST)
> From: Brian Cuthbertson <brianc@fc.net>
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Courtney Brown

> I'm attaching the following posting I stumbled across in one of
> the newsgroups. I'm not in a position to verify it.
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> "Farsight Institute" and their claims may be interested.

As others have already indicated, this "article" appears to be a hoax.

The size of this "article" indicates that it would have to have been from the AP=AORadio News Wire, since the AP Print News Wire would have had a much longer version of the story to give member papers the ability to edit the story to fit their audience and needs. However, the headers used for both are far different, and I have two samples pulled from today's wire:

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1 AP 02-28-97 00:00 AET 45 LINES
  PM-MS--Scomiss, Mspi Bjt,400
  Justices uphold Tupelo `brown bag' ordinance
  By JACK ELLIOTT JR.=3D
  Associated Press Writer=3D
  JACKSON, Miss. (AP) Cities have the right to put restraints on
  drinking at so-called after-hours clubs, the Mississippi Supreme
  Court ruled Thursday.

2 AP 02-28-97 00:00 AET 18 LINES
  PM-MS--Club Owner-Convicted, 160
  Jackson club owner convicted for obstruction of justice
  JACKSON, Miss. (AP) A federal jury convicted a Jackson club
  owner Wednesday on charges of obstruction of justice after trying
  to influence the testimony of two witnesses in a tax evasion trial.
```

While they were pulled from the wire on March 1st, but were released on the wire the previous day, as noted by the date. There is also a city reflected on every story to indicate where the story is from, and the header includes the number of lines that each story contains. The Courtney Brown story above doesn't contain any of those features, which is very suspicious. The original poster, whose email address I'll mention in a moment, could have edited those items out, but there would be no reason to and they would have added to the stories validity.

It should also be pointed out that the story doesn't contain information that one would normally expect to find. It identifies Courtney Brown as a "University professor", but fails to identify the University. That would be critical information for the vast majority of the public that has never heard of him. Along that same line, he is also described as a "claimed remote viewer" but fails to identify what that is, which would have left most readers (or listeners) scratching their heads.

The personal information contained in this "article" could likely have been gleaned from Browns book, A Cosmic Voyage, and if anyone is curious about who had posted this story, they could use the header information below (Of course, the Email address could well be bogus):

Subject: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide

Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

From: rjh1006@multipro.com
Date: 1997/02/27
Message-Id: <331b16f0.1499365@news.multipro.com>
Organization: The MultiPro Network
Newsgroups: alt.paranet.ufo

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(AP) - University professor and claimed remote viewer Courtney Brown was pronounced dead at 9:33AM PST on Thursday, February 27, 1997. He was 54 years of age. At approximately 4:24AM PST Thursday, February 25, 1997, Brown suffered massive cardiac arrest shortly after taking a massive amount of sleeping pills. Found by a friend, he was immediately taken to the University Medical Center at 2169 Highway..(end quote)

This was actually posted to both alt.paranet.ufo and alt.aliens.visitors:

Subject: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide
From: rjh1006@multipro.com
Date: 1997/02/27
Message-Id: <331c19e0.2251885@news.multipro.com>
Organization: The MultiPro Network
Newsgroups: alt.alien.visitors

Note that the headers indicate different message IDs, which means that it was posted individually to each Usenet group. While the Email name may be bogus, it may be possible to trace the message through multipro.com, if they maintain a log file of postings, but that's likely to be more trouble than it's worth (unless Courtney wants to pursue it legally).

One final note- Suicides are rarely reported in the press as such, unless it is an important facet of the story, or the person involved is famous. Information related to deaths usually has to come from an official source (such as the police), and they would rarely give out details of a suicide to protect the deceased family (unless, as I said, it's important to the story).

Let me be the first to emphasize that I=A0haven't proven the story to be a hoax, but I believe it is highly suspicious.

Just a few thoughts from a former news reporter

Steven Kaeser

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Alfred's Odd Ode #100

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:10:43 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:10:43 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #100

Congratulations Alfred - One Hundred of 'em!

Time for a book? ;^}

ebk

Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 08:01:50 -0600
From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #100

Apology to MW #100 (For March 1, 1997)=20

So your mind is more than made up?
Your convictions hard as stone?
Your philosophy all laid out?
All your demons driven prone?

All *important* questions answered?
All the *evils* outlined plainly?
All the *angels* in _your_ outfield?
Does the liberal pule inanely?

Do UFO=92s infest weak minds?
Is that field all a lie?
Think Doug and Dave are heroes,=20
Stomping circles out of sight?

Are some folks just superior?
Are some others doomed to die?
Are you yourself all blameless?
Do your eyes avoid the sky?

Think gay men are unnatural?
Gay women soon to fry?
Dismissed from white, elitist heavens
When they "sluff this coil", and die?

Do you tithe your church for Sunday=92s brunch?
Are you driving great big cars?
Do you light your home on Christmas eve
Like exploding nova stars?

Think the "playing field" is level?
Think "bootstraps" are _the_ answer?
Think welfare is unnatural,
But a corporate dole=92s not cancer?

You think the fifties were a heaven,
To which we are returning?
Think "God" should rule in government --
Thinking that won=92t _cause_ more burning?

Did Jewish genocide ne`re occur,
Occurring, they encouraged what they got?=20
Are you thinking _hemp_ is all about
Just growing\smoking pot?

If yes stains just one answer. . .=20
And you=92ll chance a change in crew,
Then best get straight, take stock =96 wise up!
And use an Alien View!

Want some truth to all the falsehood?
Want to cop to REAL biz`?
No thing, and I mean NOTHING. . .
Is a way you _think_ it is!

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

It=92s a construction, a model, a mold we force reality into so we can feel *good* about our day. It means something because, individually, we _make_ it mean something. But it is only a best, perhaps not best educated, guess at an interpretation of how we have told _ourselves_, instructed _ourselves_, . . . convinced _ourselves_ that *the way things are* are the way *things* are.=20

Government is real. Our loves are real. Our hates are real, and it _wouldn=92t_ all just disappear with the first asteroid, or the first whim of =91the man=92. Nonsense.

And that _is_ nonsense because perception, condition, and situation are different for wildly divergent people all over the world. . . eight or eighty, blind, crippled or crazy. . . walking, crawling, and stinking =96 sociopath or sociophile. Over my shoulder yawns the multiverse! What now brown cow? Is it more than blind luck that you are where you are? It=92s _not_ what you think. For some, surviving the asteroid is a step up.

Cozy America. . .there are horrors out there you might be liable for =96 consider the production of your child=92s soccer ball, or those long fat bananas mom buys down at the store. . .and these are a couple of the most (seemingly) innocent (Both of the preceding are real horror stories) =96 Cathy Lee Gifford knows what I=92m talking about.

Once we _think_ we have the deadlock nut on something, we are loath to let it go. We fight for our convictions out of some weird pride of authorship, or ownership -- made whole cloth out of centrist convenience. Some of those convictions are seen as dead right, others as dead wrong. We end up on one side, or another. Soon, we are entrenched in a destructive belief system out of sheer momentum. This is how Christians bury Moslems in swine offal when they fight Bosnian wars (It happened). This is how homosexuals are beaten until they die (It=92s happening). Do they bring it on themselves? Do they?

All this dissolves upon a search for the un-stretched mechanics of why conditions _are_ as they are =96 the alien view. When the chips fall as they may, and we all cop to *it*, *it* improves real fast. . .even if it means the, ah. . . *best* having to give up the *best* champagne =96 just for a while! Even if you have to be a little ashamed -- just for a=20 while. . .cop to personal responsibility!

Example: the rough numbers say the ratio is seven to one -- working honest poor at or just above the poverty line, to clear _profit_ millionaires, in these United States. Imagine a, let=92s go nuts, \$25,000 annual boost in that working poor woman=92s hand for her trouble. 25 x 7 is \$175,000. . .or, the clear profit millionaire only clears \$825,000 =96 the next year, of course, he recoups his loss, plus, in the hotter economy, "but what the hell. . ." he now reasons, ". . .a bird in the hand. . ." This is how he treats people who build his house, keep him warm =96 heat his water. . .

Nothing is the way we fallible humans think it is. This is why we have to detach, move back =96 see proverbial forests for proverbial trees; be able to re-evaluate positions in the light of new evidence. . .and grow. Admitting that you are wrong (when you admit it) is, still, a step up. This is where we will find our salvation -- in tolerance, hard (at first) uncomfortable truth, and its incandescent light. =20

If you didn=92t have *stock* in one position or another, like an alien might not, would you even hold the positions that you hold? Don=92t be too quick with your affirmation; it=92s very likely wrong.

--=20
"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, shaking his head at his sexually excited audience, and burning at the fundamentalist's stake.

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From: **Chris Rutkowski** <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 15:14:42 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 19:57:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

> Date: 28 Feb 97 20:38:25 EST
> From: Peregrine Mendoza <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
> To: Errol Bruce-Knapp <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST
> The Duke of Mendoza presents his compliments to the List.
> > Subject: Sorry, not taking the bait

> > Nope. Not going to do it.
> > It's a philosophical issue now. "Is the UFO an airplane or an earth
> > light?" There's no way to respond in a forum like this.

> First Dr R!***!d B!*l!n cannot afford a dollar to put up against my
> grand. Then Thomas Rice is far too busy to do a quick RV experiment.
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> of us. Shame on you sir. Although Wittgenstein did say: "Wovon mann
> nicht sprachen kann, daruber muss mann schweigen." (What a person
> cannot say, he should be silent about.)
> Or are you pleading the Fifth Amendment, Chris?

Seemed pretty straightforward to me and everyone else. I'm not going to
rebut this stuff in this forum because all it is becoming is a "Did
not! Did too!" kind of exchange. And that is pointless.

You *are* mistaken. Shame on you, too, for not letting this alone.
There's no way for me to convince you that you are wrong, and no way to
convince me that I am wrong. Drop it.

And, one final note: Canada has no Fifth Amendment.

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TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: **Pat Parrinello** <pparri@republic.net>
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 97 18:30:42 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 20:03:51 -0500
Subject: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

Subject: Re: TV SHOWS AND CREDIT FOR WORK
Sent: 3/1/97 9:10 AM
Received: 3/1/97 5:38 PM
From: by way of Erik
<Beckjord@transbay.net>,
CNINews1@aol.com
To: ufobfmuseum@value.net

To list from Mike Lindemann:

To Erik and all,

I entirely agree with Erik's observations and recommendations re researchers turning their hard-won info over to TV producers. If every credible researcher would agree to demand not only proper credit but a reasonable CONSULTING FEE for the value they offer TV producers, the situation would change quickly. I have asked for consulting fees several times and have been paid (average about \$250) for appearances on Sightings, Paranormal Borderline and Encounters. This doesn't make me special. I simply pointed out that I had consistently given value each time a producer called me (they agreed), and I asked for a consulting fee when they wanted me on the air. Guess what? They agreed to pay.

Here's wishing EVERY credible researcher a fair return on their blood, sweat and tears.

Michael Lindemann

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Sueicide!

From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 97 12:46:37 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 19:59:10 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Sueicide!

>Subject: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide... (Knuckle Rap)

Houston Post March 1, 1997 - Garden Section page B3

UFOS May Be Causing Low Nitrogen

By Rose Felicitous

As most Houston gardeners know this spring is want for the blooming narcissi and that may be due to low nitrogen. NASA space experts recently testing plant growing conditions found the nitrogen levels in the experiments low. Although James Oberg disputes this, the claim that UFOS tagging along STS missions are causing low nitrogen levels, may be based on fact as STS-80 video shows. With the recent flap of UFO sightings in the Houston River Oaks area and the low nitrogen levels in most gardens increasing daily, we are hard put to come up with any reason other than the UFOS must have something to do with it.

A soil sample was sent to Nearsight Institute in Arkansas where Dr. Klin Tonsinnocent gave it a number and called his Eremitic Viewers for a reading based on the number. The number was 42. The results came back within 2 hours and the Dr. was so amazed at the results that he immediately faxed them to Art Bell. Bell, suspicious of the implications if he released the findings to the public, contacted Whitley Strieber and told him of his predicament. On hearing the evidence Whitley commented that now he understood why no narcissus ever grew near the secret school grounds.

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Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 20:00:33 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 20:00:33 -0500
Subject: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 15:04:13 -0500
From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Subject: Kaufmann's "Roswell" Report
To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>

Some time ago I mentioned that Frank Kaufmann's alleged "official Roswell report", of which he somehow has a copy, contained a three profile sketch of the craft which crashed at Roswell and the sketch bore a striking resemblance to an artists impression of the rumoured USAF TR-3A, a theorised replacement for the U-2 spyplane.

I have attached a graphics file which shows both images.

Kaufmann's sketch is taken from the UK Channel 4 "Incident at Roswell" documentary, broadcast on 28 August 1995 and which featured the televised premiere of Ray Santilli's "Roswell" footage.

The program and the footage released by Santilli are now available on CD, published by OmniMedia, UK.

<http://www.omnicorp.com/video/d/movies/roswell.html>

Tel. 0181-974-6766 ext. 225.
E-mail: 100434.3573@compuserve.com.

The TR-3A sketch is taken from the Federation of American Scientists "Mystery Aircraft" web site and seems to be attributed to:

"America's New Secret Aircraft," Popular Mechanics, December 1991, page 34.

I'm not sure when Kaufmann's report first surfaced and it would be interesting to know.

Has it been made available for examination and dating?

The graphics file is called sketches.gif and has been encoded as:

sketches.uul

James.
E-mail: pulsar@compuserve.com

[Attached file(s) removed in web archive]

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Autopsy film: Cold War disinformation?

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 19:38:07 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 00:33:13 -0500
Subject: Autopsy film: Cold War disinformation?

The current (?) "Saucer Smear" questions if perhaps the "Roswell Incident" was staged to fool the Soviets into thinking that the U.S. had captured alien technology (and the military advances implied by alien technology). Maybe the Alien Autopsy footage is the same sort of thing, filmed in 1947 as claimed, using the height of special effects techniques (probably using "alien-looking" deformed humans) to construct the illusion of a saucer crash.

I'm not necessarily an advocate of this theory, but I believe it's plausible. Comments are welcome.

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 01 Mar 97 22:27:11 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 09:07:26 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>Subject: Go ahead... Set my precedent!
>Date: Sat, 1 Mar 97 18:30:42 -0600
>From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>

>Subject: Re: TV SHOWS AND CREDIT FOR WORK
>Sent: 3/1/97 9:10 AM
>Received: 3/1/97 5:38 PM
>From: by way of Erik
> <Beckjord@transbay.net>,
> CNINews1@aol.com
>To: ufobfmuseum@value.net

> To list from Mike Lindemann:

>To Erik and all,

>I entirely agree with Erik's observations and recommendations re
>researchers turning their hard-won info over to TV producers. If
>every credible researcher would agree to demand not only proper
>credit but a reasonable CONSULTING FEE for the value they offer
>TV producers, the situation would change quickly. I have asked
>for consulting fees several times and have been paid (average
>about \$250) for appearances on Sightings, Paranormal Borderline
>and Encounters. This doesn't make me special. I simply pointed
>out that I had consistently given value each time a producer
>called me (they agreed), and I asked for a consulting fee when
>they wanted me on the air. Guess what? They agreed to pay.

>Here's wishing EVERY credible researcher a fair return on their
>blood, sweat and tears.

>Michael Lindemann

So, it would appear that Mr. Lindemann admits taking money for
doing UFO research, thereby automatically discrediting himself.

Hope he enjoys being a member of the club.

Bob Shell

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Sueicide!

From: **Terry Blanton** <76016.2701@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 01 Mar 97 22:51:54 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 09:08:39 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Sueicide!

>Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Sueicide!
>Date: Sat, 1 Mar 97 12:46:37 -0600
>From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>

[snip]

> A soil sample was sent to Nearsight Institute in
> Arkansas where Dr. Klin Tonsinnocent gave it a
> number and called his Eremitic Viewers for a
> reading based on the number.

[snip]

I understand that Dr. Bill Skilty of Texas A&M has refuted
this claim.

Terry

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Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

From: **Peregrine Mendoza** <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 02 Mar 97 02:29:26 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 09:09:52 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

The Duke of Mendoza persists in presenting his compliments...

>From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST
>To: updates@globalserve.net (UFO UpDates - Toronto)
>Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 15:14:42 -0600 (CST)

>You **are** mistaken.

Then I withdraw the motion.

>There's no way for me to convince you that you are wrong,
>and no way to convince me that I am wrong.

Just for the record (and one more time), I don't see the questions and the issues in quite those black and white terms. And (one more time) you **were** asked "a few straight questions" that I thought were worth answering - and not in a combative spirit. Perhaps I was alone in having my curiosity piqued. Perhaps I was also the only one to notice the small matter of an apology someone once promised to Paul. Perhaps I do not exist (sorry, Ma, out of luck there).

>Drop it.

<Snort> <Ahem> Er... Is that a ball I see in your court, or just a dumpling the tweenie-maid overlooked?

That's all I was trying to say, really.

Now, before I get dragged off by burly knaves in hoods,
best wishes
Peat

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Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

From: KRandle993@aol.com [Kevin Randle]
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 10:05:59 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:13:52 -0500
Subject: Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

In a message dated 97-03-01 20:10:01 EST, James wrote:

>Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 15:04:13 -0500
>From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
>Subject: Kaufmann's "Roswell" Report
>To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>

>I'm not sure when Kaufmann's report first surfaced and it would be
>interesting to know.

My first interview with him was conducted on January 4, 1990.

KRandle

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BWW Media Alert Flash!

From: BufoCalvin@aol.com
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 07:03:52 -0800
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:12:30 -0500
Subject: BWW Media Alert Flash!

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INTERVIEW WITH LOUIS STERN

My interview with legendary curmudgeon/ufologist Louis Stern is now available
to read on THE ANOMALIST site at

<http://www.cloud9.net/~patrick/anomalist/>

It's called EXTRATERRESTRIAL INTELLIGENCE REVISITED. THE ANOMALIST is one of
the more interesting periodicals out there, and the site is nicely done as
well. I was a little perturbed by it originally, because I was using the
term "anomalologist" for what I did, and I still like that...it rolls nicely
off the tongue. Doesn't interfere with the quality of the magazine though.
Btw, if you have any questions about Louis Stern, just ask me.

WENDELLE STEVENS APPEARANCE

I received the following notice:

"Wendelle Stevens will speak on significant UFO sightings of the
1990's. The date is March 4th @ 7:30 pm at the Villa Felice
Restaurant in Los Gatos, CA. For directions call 408-395-6711."

Stevens has, for years, been publishing clear photographs (and plenty of
them!) of what appear to be and are claimed to be "flying saucers" (by that I
mean structured craft of et origin, at least in this case). If you've ever
heard or read anyone arguing that there are no "good" (clear) pictures, his
books (and calendars) put the lie to it. Doesn't mean that the pictures are
genuine, of course, but they are certainly clear. His books also have
generally focussed in depth on particular "contact" cases, including Billy
Meier, William J. Herrmann, and Filiberto Cardenas. Books include:
UFO...CONTACT FROM THE PLEIADES, VOL. 1; UFO CONTACT FROM THE PLEIADES, A
PRELIMINARY INVESTIGATION REPORT; UFO...CONTACT FROM RETICULUM; and UFO
CONTACT FROM UNDERSEA. This information comes from one of my frequently
consulted sources on UFO material, THE UFO LITERATURE by Richard Michael
Rasmussen. Write him at: 4589 70th Street, La Mesa, CA 92041...tell him
Bufo sent you.

This is my most current TAP (The Address Project) listing for Stevens:

UFO PHOTO ARCHIVES
P O Box 17206
Tucson, AZ 85710
phone: 602-721-9025; 602-721-9037 (FAX)
WENDELLE C. STEVENS
PUBLICATION: UFO JOURNAL OF FACTS
LAST KNOWN YEAR: 1992

I checked Greenleaf for his books, and didn't see them, although they may be
able to get them. STRANGE BOOKSHOP also does not list them. ARCTURUS may

have them...

Two other excellent sources for information on upcoming meetings, lectures, and conferences are: the aforementioned THE ANOMALIST SITE; and UFO INFO (probably the most comprehensive Website for any kind of UFO info) at:

<http://www.ftech.net/~ufoinfo/>

I have considered developing a monthly list of such things here, but I don't know if they interest warrants it.

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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1964 'Secret' US Film Reveals 'Non-existent' Area

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:16:42 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:16:42 -0500
Subject: 1964 'Secret' US Film Reveals 'Non-existent' Area

The Times of London

February 28 1997
WORLD NEWS

Pentagon 'UFO' site revealed on film

THE Pentagon is bracing itself for calls from conspiracy theorists after news that Area 51, a top-secret site where the American Government tests stealth aircraft and is alleged to have held captured UFOs, has been revealed on camera (Anjana Ahuja writes).

The film, made in 1964, does not record details of the site but shows a scientist chalking on a blackboard the phrase "move out to Area 51". The authorities have never acknowledged the site, and often deny its existence.

The footage was uncovered by Hugh McDaid while shooting Robot Warriors, a documentary on unmanned aircraft.

According to Mr McDaid, the film was a top-secret briefing film for military and intelligence personnel. The scientist shown writing on the blackboard was Clarence "Kelly" Johnson, who designed the Lockheed U2 spy plane.

The refusal of the USAF to confirm or deny anything regarding the site has fuelled speculation that it is a cover for something more sinister than testing new aircraft. Some believe the US Government has captured flying saucers and used the base to conduct experiments on the vehicles and their inhabitants.

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Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:15:17 -0500
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>crash.

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>ible. Comments are welcome.

Mac,

Actually this is a theory raised by Chris Cary, Ray Santilli's second in command, some time ago. Chris has always believed that this is an intentional release by military sources.

The only problem with this idea is that none of my medical people think these are deformed humans.

Maybe we were not trying to fool the Soviets. Maybe we really did get hold of alien technology. Perhaps that is why we jumped ahead of the Soviets (and everybody else) in technology so rapidly.

Ray's cameraman purportedly says that the entire technological history of the 20th century was radically changed by the technology gained from analysis of these crashes.

I am, of course, using "alien" to mean different, not necessarily extraterrestrial.

Bob

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Re: Autopsy film: Cold War disinformation?

From: **Pete & Lottie** <iko@marz.demon.co.uk>
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 17:02:56 -0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:19:55 -0500
Subject: Re: Autopsy film: Cold War disinformation?

Mac,

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> (probably using "alien-looking" deformed humans) to construct the
> illusion of a saucer crash.

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> plausible. Comments are welcome.

Very interesting theory, and is totally plausible. How can ufologists
check this out? What are your ideas on getting to the bottom of this
mystery?

LL&P

Pete Linforth

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PROJECT 1947: 'Mountain Lights'

From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 12:17:06 -0800
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:18:16 -0500
Subject: PROJECT 1947: 'Mountain Lights'

Here's promised is an account of "mountain lights." The letters below were contained in a Project Blue Book file entitled "Public response to the April 1952 LIFE magazine article." This file became a catchall for items which did not have a separate files. Thanks, KJ Croft, for the assistance.

Jan Aldrich
Project 1947

Dunemuir, California May 25, 1952

Air Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, O.

Dear Sirs

At the suggestion of Life Magazine, I am referring the enclosed correspondence to you, in the sincere hope of receiving a suggestion to ascertain the cause beek of this very unusual phenomenon

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely Yours

Frank Bascom
119 Grover Street

Dunemuir, California, May 4, 1952

LIFE
9 Rockerfeller Plaza
New York 20, NY

Sirs:

Enclosed is copy of letter from an old friend. Glenn Lepley, whom I have known for many years. I am referring this to you, in the hope you can suggest a cause beek of the phenomenon witnessed by Lepley in the climb of Mount Shesta Sept. 20-21, 1939.

While Lepley climbed the mountain at night in September 1939, he did not divulge his revolution to me until last winter. He was the most powerful mountain climber I have known. He used to be an aviator, and was connected with the U.S. Embassy at Moscow, Russia, some years ago. As for myself,

I am a member of our City Planning Commission, on the Board of Directors of our Federal Housing Authority, Masonic Temple, etc.

In these times, when we seemingly have visitors from space, accounts of fireballs in the Southwest, I wonder what may be the cause beck of the pale orange balls of light seen by Lepley on his climb at night to the summit of Shesta. Would it not be caused by emanations of radio sotive mineral? What else could it be? Yet the paradox is, Shesta is an extinct volcano, whose slopes are covered mostly with baseltic rock, with little indications of minerals. As Lepley is reliable and responsible, and offers to lead a party of investigators to the spot, it is no doubt worth investigating. Would you advice taking along a Geiger Counter for Uranium?

Awaiting your reply, I am

Sincerely yours

Frank Brown
119 Grover Street

PO Box 742, Viste, California
February 13, 1952

Dear Frank

....I've been looking up some old notes for my last night climb to Stesta's summit. I appreciate your interest in my account of the "exploding light" phenomenon. It was the night of Sept 20-22, 1939. I was flanked on the left by a ridge as I climbed. Taking time out for a rest, I turned and surveyed the valley. The night was starlit. The ridge was now to my right. I became aware of impulsations of light emanating from the wall of the ridge at a point some distance below the top, and somewhat below my horizontal vision line. In distance from my vantage point to point of emanation approximately 1,000 yards.

The light appeared to be a spheric base of about the proportion of a bowling ball (apparent size from my point of vision). The color appeared to be a very pale orange. The "ball" of light seemed to be projected at right angles to the cliff and across my line of vision as I directed my eyes to it. It seemed to come forth in a slow motion - comparatively - as a shot-put. It's path was horizontal at a distance of approx. 20 smaller spheres, taking paths at a tangent to the original course of light mass. Their light seemed to immediately begin to dissipate (grow dimmer) until they became invisible at approx. 30 ft. from point of break-up. As this phenomenon was repeated, I timed it with my watch. It continued to occur at intervals of 10 seconds. It continued as I left it, presumably indefinitely.

You say you would like to refer this account to a scientist. You are at liberty to do this. However, I reserve the right to determine, from any report that might be made, whether I would care to give more exact data as to the location. If of sufficient interest, I might consider leading a party of investigators into the area during the coming summer.

Sincerely

Glenn Lesley.

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From: **Masinaigan@aol.com**
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 12:39:38 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 13:21:25 -0500
Subject: UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 2, Number 9, March 2, 1997

UFO ROUNDUP
Volume 2, Number 9
March 2, 1997
Editor: Joseph Trainor

DAYLIGHT DISC SEEN IN
NORTHERN MINNESOTA

A silver-gray saucer was seen in broad daylight in Hermantown, Minnesota at 1:40 p.m. on Monday, February 24, 1997.

The UFO appeared over Minnesota Highway 53 in Hermantown, just west of the Lakes 8 Cinema and Wal-Mart. Hermantown (population 6759) is a suburb of the port city of Duluth, located at the western end of Lake Superior.

The UFO was witnessed by over 10 people, including Dave Briscoe, Minnesota state director of Skywatch International. Briscoe described the object as "the craft was 'oval-saucer' shaped and silver-grey in color."

"I was about seven miles away by vehicle," Briscoe reported. "And I saw the object for approximately three minutes. Other witnesses said they saw it for about fifteen (minutes). Reports said that it had simply 'appeared' from what they could tell and hovered, not making any type of sound, or other movement."

"No lights could be seen from the ground," he added, "but I did notice dark points marking the 'side' which was later confirmed by other witnesses. I could see four from my vantage point. The other witnesses could not tell if there were more or not."

The saucer took off toward the northeast, Briscoe reported, towards the Duluth airport "and then after just a fraction of a second in that direction, went straight up and out of sight. Speed was incalculable at this point."

(Thanks to Dave Briscoe and Skywatch International for this story.)

UFO SEEN HOVERING ABOVE
OHIO NUCLEAR PLANT

On Thursday night, February 27, 1997, at 10:30 p.m., Mrs. Brenda Girty spotted a strange light motionless in the sky over the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant near Piketon, Ohio.

Mrs. Girty, who contacted both Wright-Patterson Air Force Base and the Ohio Highway Patrol, said the UFO resembled "a bright light that occasionally spurted flames" and "moved from side to side" and "was larger than an airplane."

At 12:05 a.m. on Friday, February 28, the witness got in touch with the Tri-States Advocates for Scientific Knowledge (T.A.S.K.) According to the group's public relations director Ken Young, T.A.S.K. investigators contacted the Sheriff's Departments of Scioto, Lawrence and Pike counties and were told that the departments had received no UFO reports.

However, T.A.S.K. investigators spoke to the dispatcher at the Ohio Highway Patrol barracks in Jackson County. The trooper reportedly confirmed that Mrs. Girty had registered a UFO report, adding, "A woman had stopped by the office a few moments earlier to report a UFO."

"He added that they had stepped outside, where they looked around for it," Young said. "He added that he felt she had seen 'a planet or star.'"

Piketon (population 1,726) is located on Route 23 in south central Ohio, midway between Portsmouth and Chillicothe. (Many thanks to Kenneth Young of T.A.S.K. for this report.)

METALLIC SPHERE SOARS OVER THE FLORIDA KEYS

On Monday, February 24, 1997, at 4 p.m., Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Ralston were driving on U.S. Route 1, also known as "the highway that goes to sea," in the Florida Keys, a chain of coral islands off the southern tip of Florida, when they spotted what they thought was "a balloon" in the bright cloudless sky.

As they passed mile marker 70, Ralston said, "My wife and I spotted what I thought was a balloon about 30 degrees toward the west. The object seemed to be silver with a metallic shine. It looked as if it was starting or had started to appear and disappear at regular intervals." The UFO vanished, and the couple searched the sky for it "without result."

Then "about two or three minutes later, we saw around 40 degrees to the west what appeared to be a comet, but a lot bigger, coming down real slow. This lasted for about five minutes, then it was gone."

When last seen, the "comet" was just north of No Name Key, speeding toward the Gulf of Mexico. (Email Interview)

UFO HOVERS AT NIGHT OVER SUBURB OF DETROIT

A Michigan couple spotted a large, two-tiered UFO over a Detroit suburb the night of Saturday, February 22, 1997.

According to Mr. L.F., the eyewitness, "We were driving north on the Southfield Freeway (Highway 39) from Allen Park into Detroit. (We) Saw the two bright lights from several miles' distance and clearly made out the double-tiered building design of the superstructure with red and yellow lights below, as we slowed and drove underneath the hovering craft in the area of Joy Road and Southfield (Highway 39, near River Rouge Park-J.T.) It was plain as day, clear as a bell, two rounded tiers, one atop the other, like the top of a wedding cake. This was set back and above the two blinding white lights, which I estimated to be 50 to 80 feet apart."

"I estimated the craft to be 300 to 500 feet (100 to 150 meters) in the air, probably closer to the 300 figure, maybe even less. Hard to estimate accurately with the black night background and the intensity of the lights at each end. They were so bright we couldn't

make out the shape of the platform they were on. But the top structure was very clear, seen above and behind those lights."

The UFO, described as "metallic and gray," hovered "in the area with no movement, maybe a slight drift eastward every few minutes. Then it just disappeared as we drove directly underneath it." The witnesses drove up and down the Southfield Freeway for several minutes afterward, but the UFO was gone.

(Email Interview)

BRITAIN'S ROSWELL CASE?

Ufologist Stephen Balon, 44, of Pinnington, Lancashire is trying to unlock a nearly 40-year-old UFO mystery--the Silpho saucer.

In December 1957, Fred Taylor and Frank Dickenson, both of Scarborough, a coastal city in North Yorkshire, were on a stroll through the moors east of town when they spotted "a red glowing object" in the night sky. The two men hurried back to Scarborough to pick up some torches (flashlights). Then they returned to Silpho Moor.

Shortly before midnight, Taylor and Dickenson found a smoking crater on the moor. Inside was a saucer. When the object finally cooled, the men dug it out and pried it open with a knife. Rolled up inside they found 17 pages of an unusual parchment or paper covered with indecipherable hieroglyphics.

The Ministry of Defence and RAF dismissed the "Silpho saucer" as a "hoax." Metallic analysis revealed the saucer to be made of "copper or some unusual alloy of copper."

When the furor died down, the saucer and the 17 pages came into the possession of Anthony Parker, a Scarborough solicitor (lawyer). Parker passed away recently, and now Stephen Balon wants to find the long-filed-away artifacts.

"I think it may have been mislaid after Mr. Parker died, but I am sure it is still somewhere in Scarborough," said Balon, a member of the Direct Investigations Group of Aerial Phenomena. "I know that this is the sort of subject that will attract a few nutters and cranks, but somebody must know where it is, and I would appeal to them to contact me."

Mr. Balon can be reached at this email address--m.atrinx@zetnet.co.uk. Or by snail mail at Mr. Stephen Balon, 10 Woodlands Avenue, Pinnington, Leigh., Lancs. WN7 3HL, United Kingdom. (See the newspaper Scarborough Evening News for February 20, 1997.)

SKY GLOW DISRUPTS A WEDDING IN BRAZIL

On Saturday, February 15, 1997, at 8:30 p.m., photographer Carlos Pancieri was checking his videocamera and getting ready to shoot a wedding at a Roman Catholic church in the Pires district of Limeira, a city of 100,000 in Sao Paulo state, Brazil.

Pancieri was on the church steps with "at least 10 other people" when someone pointed out "a luminous object" above a nearby rooftop. As the UFO approached, Pancieri caught the

object in his viewfinder and began shooting.

The UFO halted over the church tower "and began oscillating wildly." While the rest of the onlookers shouted, Pancieri kept shooting tape footage. The display lasted for five minutes, and then the UFO zipped away to the west.

Pancieri captured nearly the whole encounter on videotape. He said, "Within all my experience, I have never seen a phenomenon like this."

Limeira is 112 kilometers (70 miles) northwest of Campinas, S.P., where the Varginha aliens were reportedly detained for a few days back in January 1996. (See the newspaper Gazeta de Limeira for February 16, 1997.)

(Muito obrigado a Arivelson Gabriel para ese caso.)

ISRAELI UFOLOGIST WORKS ON UFO CHAT CHANNEL

Israeli ufologist Yechiel A. Mann has formally requested a channel on the Internet Relay Chat (IRC). The channel is on DALnet and is called #CSETI. It will allow members of the Center for Study of Extra-Terrestrial Intelligence and other UFO buffs to communicate directly with each other.

According to Yechiel, ufologists "can download an IRC program, mlRC Version 4.72 (color version) and find out everything about mlRC but were afraid to ask at

<http://www.mlrc.co.uk>

Or PIRCH can be found at

<http://www.geocities.com/BourbonStreet/1617>

He also provided this list of DAL settings for interested viewers.

irc.dal.net	orion.fl.us.dal.net
groucho.dal.net	datashopper.dal.net
igc.dal.net	liberator.dal.net
phoenix.dal.net	toronto.dal.net
xgw.dal.net	rator.ab.ca.dal.net
spider.dal.net	durham.on.ca.dal.net
wizlink.fl.us.dal.net	
wiznet.hub.fl.us.dal.net	
ohana.hi.dal.net	
trapdoor.ca.us.dal.net	
webzone.uk.us.dal.net	
farside.tx.us.dal.net	
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java.ca.us.dal.net	
mindijari.ca.us.dal.net	
bunyip.nsw.au.dal.net	
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FLYING TRIANGLE OF 1950

One of the first reports of a triangular UFO took place 47 years ago, in the town of La Crescenta, California, north of Glendale and Los Angeles.

"On March 10, 1950, at 8:45 a.m., numerous residents of La Crescenta viewed a triangular object travel in a northerly direction toward Big Tujunga Canyon. Its altitude was estimated at between 5,000 and 10,000 feet (1,500 to 3,000 meters). Mrs. Ruby Lytle, one prime witness to the sighting,

described the craft as having a gondola-shaped object attached to a light-colored hull. The object traveled slowly, with no audible noise, and she was positive it was neither a kite nor a weather balloon."

"At 8:30 p.m., on the same day, other residents including city communications operator William E. Smith, witnessed a revolving wheel-like object, complete with shiny spokes, sailing above Lockheed Air Terminal in Burbank, four miles (7 kilometers) south of Tujunga. It hurled southwest through the skies in a path directly away from Little Tujunga Canyon." (From the book THE TUJUNGA CANYON CONTACTS, page 139.)

(Editor's Comment: The two Tujunga Canyons have had numerous sightings in the past half-century, beginning with a silvery daylight disc seen there on May 2, 1949.)

FUN UFO WEBSITES

Like UFO stories? You'll find plenty to read at this site--

<http://www.thepheasant.com/ufo/ufo.htm>

For an in-depth study of the UFO and crop circles sighted in East Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada last autumn, check out UFO-B.C.'s site. They're at

<http://www.renaisssoft.co./ufobc>

Another good stop is the Lighthouse Foundation. Their site is at

<http://www.angelfire.com/ca/thecaliforniasky/index.html>

Randolph and Amanda Winters' Pleiadian Mission offers UFO books, UFO website links and a Health Mall. Check them out at the following URL:

<http://timelink.net/pleiades>

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<http://www.fttech.net/~ufoinfo/index.htm>

And for back issues of UFO ROUNDUP, try our page at

<http://www.fttech.net/~ufoinfo/roundup.hts>

That's it for this week. If you have a UFO you want to report, email us at Masinaigan@aol.com. If you see a UFO story in the newspaper, cut it out and send your clipping to our snail mail address: UFO ROUNDUP, c/o J. Trainor, Box 16, 126 Toll Gate Road, Warwick, Rhode Island USA 02886.

See you next Sunday. Here's wishing all our readers a happy and productive week from..."the paper that goes home, UFO ROUNDUP."

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UFO UpDate Re: Autopsy film: Cold War disinformation?

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 14:56:53 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 00:03:40 -0500
Subject: UFO UpDate Re: Autopsy film: Cold War disinformation?

Bob Shell wrote:

>Date: 02 Mar 97 11:48:13 EST
>From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Autopsy film: Cold War disinformation?

>Mac,

>Actually this is a theory raised by Chris Cary, Ray Santilli's second in
>command, some time ago. Chris has always believed that this is an intentional
>release by military sources.

>The only problem with this idea is that none of my medical people think these
>are deformed humans.

Bob--

I don't think these are just deformed humans, either. I think
(if the Soviet disinformation idea is correct) that the U.S. used
severely deformed corpses and made them doubly "alien" by using
special effects methods available in the late 1940s.

--Mac Tonnies

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Alfred's Odd Ode #101

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sun, 02 Mar 1997 15:25:01 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 00:05:37 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #101

Apology to MW #101 (For March 2, 1997)=20

"So why not blow your brains out."
My good friend said to me.
"If nothings good, and all is false. . .
If alone, unsafe, un-free."

"If we=92re built on quaking ground. . .
If the =91man=92 manipulates us. . .
If we=92re dwelling in our lies. . .
Why not blow this pointless fracas"?

I say the point is in the seeing,
In not hiding what you found.
Maintain education constant,
And spread the truth around. . .

~

But understand, if you will, my depth of observation.
This time that is now is better than -- a moments past digression.
For a few, one in hundred, the kingdom is at hand,
Like bounty flows from liberal wells of conscience in this land.

But make your way in tiny leaps, the past -- back only decades. . .
And it=92s much, much worse, a human curse, a sociopathic field day.
Big business was the seller of the silenced souls of people,
Big brother dodged with =91Uncle Sam=92 in a trusted churches steeple.

It=92s better now then ever been, =91cause wounds are scraped and cleaned!
The unwashed word is getting out, and education=92s being gleaned!
The point=92s that there=92s potential in new information=92s offering
For all debunking, laughing, sneering =96 or other unwise scoffing.=20

Blow my brains out? Are you addled? Are you sleepy, dopey, drawn?
Deep "6" myself as wonder deepens -- I might even grow my clone?
Expire as infinity -- yawns, and grooves and beckons.
Die too soon to find out why, they scheme, connive, and reckon.

To miss out on the scandal, and the truth unmasked at last?
To miss out on adventure, turning comets from our path?
To miss out on the sweet love we can feel for one another?
To miss one show of "Duckman", just ain=92t on my list of =91druthers.

So don=92t get me wrong, misconstrued, or inaccurate.
It=92s never been better, and we could self congratulate.
But as *good* as it is, it=92s better than some want it.
It could be much better still in *respectful* environments.

And I=92ve said it before, and I=92ve said it right here!
Show me respect in this nation held dear!
The Dow=92s blasting up through seven thousand!
But "wages are low" puts our folks down a hard one!

We=92re worried on medical, and social security!
The =91man=92 spends our future on elected buffoonery!=20
But with conscience, and science we find in our space,
We=92ll respectfully unmask our elitist disgrace!

Some of us write to explore this new conscience.

Some of us fight to up braid the bad scientist.
Some of us live just to lift, peer, and sift.
~Pat=92s~ kind of guy =96 with a light and a gift.

So yeah -- the message, mayhap, is grimy -- distasteful . . .
But you know you find hope, and you know that I=92m grateful.
Alive, and inquiring, I=92ve found out new paradigms,
And I tell them to you in a way that may. . .even-rhyme <g>.=20

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

I know they=92d say they wouldn=92t want to, or need to, but a right wing reproductionist republican -- a Lott worshipping, UFO debunking, from the sock-garter-old-school =91troglodyte=92 wing of culture -- can=92t write this stuff in defense of his (or <shudder> her) position to save their stuffy skins! Maybe Roach, or Imrie, or even Fun, or Rogers could illustrate their platform a little more stylishly in verse. It sure would give an indication of depth they do not now have, stumbling across the cyberscape like extras in a "Night of the Living Dead" movie; smelling the brains of Rudiak, Zieler, and Van Gemert and lusting to feed sloppily on the courage displayed from their positions.

Oh, and yeah. . .as regards my being on the payroll of R, Z, and VG, as has been intimated in some of my mail . . . ROTFLMVAO. . .

Those guys don=92t even talk to me, even when I ask them direct (And I thought intelligent) questions in E-mail. Well, Brian=92s into football, so maybe he finds the verse a little threatening <g>, I think Van Gemert has reasoned that I don=92t have enough discipline, and perhaps Rudiak decided I was too much a wild card to be trusted, like an insignificant star burning up too much energy. . .but no, these guys in no way encourage me. I just take the =91alien view=92 on them and their counterparts, weigh, sift, and peer =96 and *tentatively* decide =20 (. . .could get new information!) that their counterparts lack imagination, education, or courage, and sometimes all three. Simple-a-sat. <huge beaming smile> =20

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake, and knowing he would live forever.

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

From: MWayne@bigfoot.com (Michael Malone)
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 20:41:01 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 00:07:20 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

>Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 01:04:46 -0600 (CST)
>From: Brian Cuthbertson <brianc@fc.net>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Courtney Brown

>I'm attaching the following posting I stumbled across in one of
>the newsgroups. I'm not in a position to verify it.
>Anyone familiar with the "remote viewing" community, Brown's
>"Farsight Institute" and their claims may be interested.

>=====

>Article 136454 of alt.alien.visitors:
>Subject: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide
>Date: Thu, 27 Feb 1997 23:34:07 GMT

>FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

> (AP) - University professor and claimed remote viewer Courtney
>Brown was pronounced dead at 9:33AM PST on Thursday, February 27,
>1997. He was 54 years of age. At approximately 4:24AM PST Thursday,
>February 25, 1997, Brown suffered massive cardiac arrest shortly after
>taking a massive amount of sleeping pills. Found by a friend, he was
>immediately taken to the University Medical Center at 2169 Highway
>160, only 10 minutes from his home. The cause of death has
>tentatively been determined to be cardiac arrest pending further
>investigation. Attending doctors worked on him for almost an hour
>before he was pronounced dead. He is survived by his widow, Marylin
>and his teenage daughters, Sammy and Carrie.

> Brown began his career in teaching at the age of 23 He was
>recently discredited by the highly respected Whitley Strieber on the
>Art Bell Radio show when he was forced to admit he had faked a
>photograph of the infamous comet Hale-Bopp with a false "Companion"
>object.

Hey Greg! This is more up your alley!

I don't have my AP Guidelines book with me, but it seems this alleged AP
story violates several AP Guidelines. You got your AP book handy?

Michael

--
Michael Malone
Kilo Foxtrot Four Mike Yankee X-ray

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Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 21:01:46 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 00:09:06 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

Peter Brookesmith writes:

> Date: 02 Mar 97 02:29:26 EST
> From: Peregrine Mendoza <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

> The Duke of Mendoza persists in presenting his compliments...

... against all reason ...

> Just for the record (and one more time), I don't see the questions
> and the issues in quite those black and white terms. And (one more
> time) you *were* asked "a few straight questions" that I thought
> were worth answering - and not in a combative spirit. Perhaps I was
> alone in having my curiosity piqued. Perhaps I was also the only one
> to notice the small matter of an apology someone once promised to Paul.

Petey: As I've already noted to Paul in *email* as opposed to a public
forum where others are spared the tedious exchanges, I don't see an
apology as required.

If you look back at the *original* comment which I made:

>> If you're talking about Devereux's pendulum-dowsing efforts

Then where's the apology needed? I even pointed out that my reference
was regarding the Dragon Project and Paul's involvement with it. I
refer all readers of this list to look at EARTHMIND (1989) by Devereux,
Steele and Kubrin. Page 104, specifically, the section titled THE
DRAGON PROJECT. Since you want specifics, I will quote for you:

"In an attempt to sort out what might be real within the rumour of site
energies, the Dragon Project was set up in Britain in 1977. Founding
director was Paul Devereux ... The project utilized two modes of
investigation: psychic archaeology employing psychics, sensitives and
dowsers, and physical measurement and monitoring of sites."

Now, since I was referring to research efforts under the direction of
Paul Devereux which *included* dowsing, where is the error which
requires retraction and apology?

Good grief, get a grip.

If Paul's "research" has shown that there's nothing to the dowsing
effects, then that's good. But he *was* involved with dowsing
experiments at one time. (Of course, he *does* still insist that
"energy dowsing" is verified.)

But if you can get so worked up over a simple comment, maybe you're
abit too close to your own research.

> Perhaps I do not exist (sorry, Ma, out of luck there).

No, you exist. Perhaps unfortunately. :)

Now, if you would care to stop insinuating that I am not a man of
dignity, that would be appreciated.

> <Snort> <Ahem> Er... Is that a ball I see in your court, or just

> a dumpling the tweenie-maid overlooked?

What an amazing literary sense you have.

> That's all I was trying to say, really.

Good. And now that is taken care of.

> Now, before I get dragged off by burly knaves in hoods,

Quick! Before he slithers away! ;)

> best wishes

> Peat

Ever better wishes,

Grumpy

P.S.: Yes, I'd buy both of you a pint or two at the pub! :)

--
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Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 22:11:07 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 00:10:45 -0500
Subject: Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

>In a message dated 97-03-01 20:10:01 EST, James wrote:

>>Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 15:04:13 -0500
>>From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
>>Subject: Kaufmann's "Roswell" Report
>>To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>

>>I'm not sure when Kaufmann's report first surfaced and it would be
>>interesting to know.

>My first interview with him was conducted on January 4, 1990.

>KRandle

Dear Kevin:

That's very nice to know, but it's not necessarily the answer to what was asked, which was when did Kaufmann's so-called secret report, along with its now infamous sketches, *first* surface.

Did he simply go into his den and return with same the first time you met him, or did the report and drawings only surface significantly later? If so, when?

What is your personal assessment of the report itself? Legit or not? Has it ever been reproduced anywhere in its entirety? If not, why not? Furthermore, how do you account for the fact that Kaufmann has a copy of same? Had Xerox perfected the personal copier in 1947?

Also, from what I understand, I believe that Kaufmann identified his commanding officer as a "Gen. Thomas," who, like nurse Naomi Self, seems most conspicuous by his absence from official records. But perhaps my information is wrong. Can you shed any more light on that issue?

Finally, what conclusions are you drawing from Kaufmann's testimony, since it seems highly unlikely that the relatively intact craft he draws and describes could have accounted for a huge debris field on the Foster ranch as well.

Are you asserting then that at least two crash sites (and two objects) were involved, and that alien bodies were recovered at one (but not at the other), along with a relatively intact spaceship? If so, then what necessarily connects the one with the other? Did Kaufmann claim to have visited both sites? And why wasn't Marcel aware of any second site or alien bodies, neither of which he ever mentions?

Are you also suggesting that Twining, Cabell and McCoy were all out of Friedman's "need-to-know" loop, leaving one to wonder: if they were on the outside, just who was on the inside?

Curious in San Antonio,

Dennis

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: David <furry@nobelmed.com>
Date: Mon, 3 Mar 1997 01:27:59 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 07:57:20 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

At 09:07 AM 02/03/97 -0500, Bob Shell wrote:

>Date: 01 Mar 97 22:27:11 EST
>From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>So, it would appear that Mr. Lindemann admits taking money for
>doing UFO research, thereby automatically discrediting himself.

>Hope he enjoys being a member of the club.

>Bob Shell

Bob,

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

From: David <furry@nobelmed.com>
Date: Mon, 3 Mar 1997 01:43:48 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 07:58:31 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

At 12:07 AM 03/03/97 -0500, Michael Malone wrote:

>Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 20:41:01 -0600
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: MWayne@bigfoot.com (Michael Malone)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

>>FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

>> (AP) - University professor and claimed remote viewer Courtney
>>Brown was pronounced dead at 9:33AM PST on Thursday, February 27,
>>1997. He was 54 years of age. At approximately 4:24AM PST Thursday,
>>February 25, 1997, Brown suffered massive cardiac arrest shortly after

>SNIP

>Hey Greg! This is more up your alley!

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>story violates several AP Guidelines. You got your AP book handy?

>Michael

>Michael Malone
>Kilo Foxtrot Four Mike Yankee X-ray

Michael AND Greg,

Before you go dragging out AP Guidelines et AL and treating
this as a REAL thing, might I point out the OBVIOUS discrepancy
in the DATES.....Thursday, Feb 27 AND Thursday, Feb. 25?
I somehow doubt that AP would make an editing Faux Pas like that.

It's a FAKE.....NUFF said.

Dave (Furry) Furlotte

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 03 Mar 97 08:53:50 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 09:27:05 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

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Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 10:41:26 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 10:58:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Courtney Brown Commits Suicide?

Re the Courtney Brown suicide flap, Michael Malone asks:

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Don't have a copy of the AP Guidelines, but....this is not a professionally written news story, for reasons already pointed out. No name of the university where Brown teaches, no explanation of remote viewing, no source for the allegation that he had taken a "massive" dose of sleeping pills. What really smells is the insinuation that Brown killed himself, even though suicide is not stated as the official cause of death. You might run into something like that in a huge investigative story on the suspicious death of a celebrity, but never in a brief obituary about someone hardly known to the public.

The story's gotta be fake.

Greg Sandow

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Mon, 03 Mar 97 12:09:15 cst
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 14:11:15 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

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Hi Bob,

There is an important distinction between yourself and Mr Lindemann.

Whereas Lindemann comments freely on a variety of UFO-related issues, your comments on the AA video invariably conclude: "Yep, seems real to me... every bit of it... just as Santilli says," no matter how absurd.

Reminds me of the media whores the Tobacco Institute employs to masterfully assert that cigarettes are harmless and not addicting (I'm a smoker BTW). These guys are skilled professionals -- mainly because they can keep a straight face while presenting an appearance of sincerity while espousing what they know to be utter nonsense.

That's the difference between an objective commentator like Lindemann, and a PR flack such as yourself.

Vince

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From: Sean Jones <Tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
Date: Mon, 3 Mar 1997 19:35:10 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 20:58:31 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

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>Date: Mon, 3 Mar 1997 01:27:59 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: David <furry@nobelmed.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>>So, it would appear that Mr. Lindemann admits taking money for
>>doing UFO research, thereby automatically discrediting himself.

>>Hope he enjoys being a member of the club.

>>Bob Shell

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Dear Bob

Also being an unpaid researcher, (another poor soul who does it for love) getting paid to do what I love can only be a good thing, I would also like to add that it would make more funds available to be able to do more research. So far ALL the research that I have done is out of my own pocket and at times it does get expensive, as I'm sure you know.

Being a UFO researcher will never be a pay for a living job, but any assistance towards the expenditure is good in my eyes. I have never been paid, so far, and I doubt given the right circumstances that I would object to earning from my "*hobby*".

If you're up against someone more intelligent than you are, do something totally insane and let him think himself to death. --- Pyanfar Chanur
Sean

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Montreal Based UFO groups

From: **Debby Federico** <federico@tor.hookup.net>

Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 16:32:04 -0500

Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 01:21:58 -0500

Subject: Montreal Based UFO groups

Does anyone know of a Montreal based UFO group?

Thanks

Debby

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New 'MJ-12' document found on the WWW?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 01:19:33 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 01:19:33 -0500
Subject: New 'MJ-12' document found on the WWW?

Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 15:23:49 -0500
From: Scott Hale <shale@megalinx.net>
To: updates@globalserve.net
Subject: New MJ-12 document found on the WWW

All,

I found this MJ-12 related document, that I've never seen before at the following site:

<http://ccwf.cc.utexas.edu/~drgnbane/ufospecific/files/files.html>

Does anyone have any comments about this document, or what it contains?

Attached--->majic9.jpg

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Re: Montreal Based UFO groups

From: werd@interlog.com (Drew Williamson)
Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 09:08:26 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 10:16:55 -0500
Subject: Re: Montreal Based UFO groups

[snip]

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Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

From: Neil Morris <Neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 09:47:16 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 10:19:35 -0500
Subject: Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

> Date: Sat, 1 Mar 1997 15:04:13 -0500
> From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
> Subject: Kaufmann's "Roswell" Report
> To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>

> Some time ago I mentioned that Frank Kaufmann's alleged "official
> Roswell report", of which he somehow has a copy, contained a three
> profile sketch of the craft which crashed at Roswell and the sketch
> bore a striking resemblance to an artists impression of the rumoured
> USAF TR-3A, a theorised replacement for the U-2 spyplane.

> I have attached a graphics file which shows both images.

> Kaufmann's sketch is taken from the UK Channel 4 "Incident at Roswell"
> documentary, broadcast on 28 August 1995 and which featured the
> televised premiere of Ray Santilli's "Roswell" footage.

Hello All,

Re Kaufmann's report as shown on the above program, from memory I seem to remember the date on the report as being July 26th, or therabouts, my question is under these alledged unique circumstances. Would an on the spot operative wait almost 3 weeks before filing his report? Maybe he would, but it seems on the surface, a heck of a delay. Anyone know what the procedure was back then?

Best Regards
Neil.

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'Autopsy' - New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 06:22:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 10:20:54 -0500
Subject: 'Autopsy' - New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

This was recently posted to the Usenet. Does anyone have any details?

From: mablake@indyvax.iupui.edu (MAJ)
Newsgroups: [alt.alien.visitors](#)
Subject: Computer enhances Alien Autopsy Video
Message-ID: <1997Mar3.145942.28012@indyvax.iupui.edu>
Date: 3 Mar 97 14:59:42 -0500

Recently, the film of the alien autopsy video was scanned into a computer to be studied. The result, several small fragments of several frames were enlarged to see if the authenticity of the video could be proved. The enlargements were made on reflections in the glass and on the bed itself along with other places in the video. The program was even able to offer up a composite drawing of both the doctor in the video and his female assistant. The enlargements on the frames clearly show that this video is no hoax. The cameraman is wearing the same outfit as the surgeons. The opposite walls of the room are visible in the enlargements proving that it was not filmed on a stage.

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'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: David Watanabe <davew@aufora.org>
Date: Mon, 3 Mar 97 19:19:46 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 10:18:14 -0500
Subject: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

AUFORA News Update
March 3rd, 1997 <http://www.aufora.org/>

There has been much discussion regarding our recent story regarding comments by British Admiral Hill-Norton who stated that UFOs are decidedly satanistic.

AUFORA takes the stance that such judgements are foolish and serve to reflect poorly on the already discredited ufology field. We are truly concerned that ufologists are allowing themselves to fall into the deep pit of sensationalism. We are quite amazed that some members of the UFO community would choose to support Hill-Norton.

To create firm judgements about UFOs is foolish. It is akin to predicting what the weather will be like in a year. Regardless, we feel that we should publish some of the comments from readers:

1) "I've been researching UFOs since 1961, and had come to the same conclusion. Then, I noticed that anyone with this view point on CompuServe, was pounced upon as a "nut case" when pointing this out. Why? Isn't that just as good as some other 'hare-brained' conclusions about UFOs?" - Skip Baker

The point was made previously that UFOs are not something which can be explained. Something that can be explained contradicts the definition of a UFO. We do not support any conclusions (hare-brained or not) about UFOs, because they are likely wrong.

2) "IF the Bible is true, and there's going to be a great struggle between good and evil at the "end of time" then what better way to pull off a "deception" than for "Satan" to use UFOs and ETs to do so?" - Skip Baker

We are not trying to start a religious debate, but there is no evidence the Bible is correct. Its numerous contradictions seem to imply it is not true.

3) "Whether it is because at the age of 82 he has new concerns of his own immortality or whatever, this simplistic notion is too easy an attempt at a solution to the UFO enigma. To try and ball it up into one neat answer by explaining this away as another more modern arm of religious dogma-an area of human diversion even less provable than the UFO phenomenon-could do the whole area of Ufology great harm." - Don Ledger

4) "How dare you say "amazing misinterpretation of the UFO phenomenon" without knowledge yourselves as to what the phenomenon is. For all you know it could very well be a correct interpretation." - David Tilbury

You just reproached Hill-Norton, not us! His interpretation is one which has little logic behind it. Our view is that there is no correct interpretation as of now.

We welcome your comments!
David Watanabe

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 11:11:46 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 13:24:36 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

David Watanabe wrote:

> Subject: AUFORA: Satanic UFOs Commentary
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"The devil made me do it!"

Jerry Washington SD
Kentucky/MUFON
Home of Capt. Thomas Mantell
The Hopkinsville "Invasion"
& The "Ladies of Liberty"

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Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 13:27:54 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

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>Sean

Sean,

Thanks for your kind words.

To some people it discredits me that I have accepted a grand total of
\$ 2,250 for my work on the AA film. This in spite of the fact that
I have SPENT over \$ 10,000 out of pocket in my investigation.

Maybe the real problem is that I have genuine credentials outside
the UFO field. In fact I'd doing two paid consulting jobs right
now in my "real" field of photography, and in this field, as in most,
being paid for your time does not discredit you.

Bob

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Fwd Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 13:26:18 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

Vince Johnson has some harsh words for Bob Shell:

> From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
> Date: Mon, 03 Mar 97 12:09:15 cst
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

> Whereas Lindemann comments freely on a variety of UFO-related
> issues, your comments on the AA video invariably conclude: "Yep,
> seems real to me... every bit of it... just as Santilli says," no
> matter how absurd.

> Reminds me of the media whores the Tobacco Institute employs to
> masterfully assert that cigarettes are harmless and not addicting
> (I'm a smoker BTW). These guys are skilled professionals --
> mainly because they can keep a straight face while presenting
> an appearance of sincerity while espousing what they know to be
> utter nonsense.

> That's the difference between an objective commentator like
> Lindemann, and a PR flack such as yourself.

PR flack?

Excuse me...he's just stating his opinion, with which you happen to disagree.

If he's repeatedly asked to appear on TV, he's entirely within his rights to ask for a consultant's fee -- even if he says things you think are wrong.

Though you're really saying something strong. By calling him a "flack," you're saying, in effect, is that Bob doesn't believe what he's saying, and just takes every chance he can to say it for money. What's the evidence for that? Apart, that is, from your apparent belief that nobody could believe what Bob does, and still be honest.

Greg Sandow

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Re:'Autopsy' - New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

From: MWayne@bigfoot.com (Michael Malone)
Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 13:40:50 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 00:51:53 -0500
Subject: Re:'Autopsy' - New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

>Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 06:22:58 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Steven Kaeser <steve@konsulting.com>
>Subject: New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

>This was recently posted to the Usenet. Does anyone have any details?

>_____

>From: mablake@indyvax.iupui.edu (MAJ)
>Newsgroups: alt.alien.visitors
>Subject: Computer enhances Alien Autopsy Video
>Message-ID: <1997Mar3.145942.28012@indyvax.iupui.edu>
>Date: 3 Mar 97 14:59:42 -0500

>Recently, the film of the alien autopsy video was scanned into a computer
>to be studied. The result, several small fragments of several frames were
>enlarged to see if the authenticity of the video could be proved. The
>enlargments were made on reflections in the glass and on the bed itself along
>with other places in the video. The program was even able to offer up a
>composite drawing of both the doctor in the video and his female assistant.
>The enlargments on the frames clearly show that this video is no hoax. The
>cameraman is wearing the same outfit as the surgeons. The opposite walls
>of the room are visible in the enlargements proving that it was not filmed
>on a stage.

A great deal of fluff and and very little substance.

I take that back. There is NO substance in this message.

Mike

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Michael Malone
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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

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Date: Tue, 4 Mar 97 13:42:29 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 00:53:16 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

When I posted Michael Lindemanns' comments it was not intended to create a disturbance in the UFological continuum.

My feelings are that Bob Shell,... or any one else whose time is used by media deserves any compensation they can get. If they use the gains to buy booze or pay for further research is none of mine or anyone else's business. What is mine or anyone else's business is the 'content' of what is produced. It is the business of serious researchers to ferret out anything that is not true and expose it, but, not only to expose it but also provide supporting evidence for why it is false. If such supporting evidence is not available then hold your hoses & let the fire burn itself out.

As for "protecting" consumers, I say bullcrap! The trick, Gentlemen, and Ladies, is to maintain a base of truth upon which you stand. In my opinion if you stand for hardcore solid truth and evidence, then you stand a chance of getting out of this life leaving behind solid foundations for those who follow. If you are one who will do or say anything for a buck then you are UFOtrash and will deserve your nitch in Fredric L. Rice's archive:

<http://www.stbbs.com/personal/frice/index.htm>

I am 75% skeptic and the other 25% is not belief but rather; direct experience which in all cases have been multiple witnessed. If not for these others who confirm the experiences, it would be 100% skeptic!

Other than all that... I don't have anything else to say for the moment.

~Pat~

... EARTH FIRST! We'll strip mine the other planets later.

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The Manikin Who Fell to Earth 2/2

From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
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Subject: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth 2/2

* The Roswell Perspective *

It isn't necessarily the case that the original intention was a hoax based on the Roswell story, the bow-legged, muscular, six-fingered, pot-bellied creature bearing no resemblance to perceptions of the bodies some spoke of seeing at Roswell.

Additional to the "alien autopsy" film, Santilli has released some "debris" footage, which shows six fingered "control panels" and "I-beams" with "hieroglyphics". This footage is the only tie-in with the Roswell incident, the I-beams with hieroglyphics being a unique and distinctive feature reported from the wreckage recovered from the Foster ranch in July 1947.

The "Roswell debris" footage could have been a subsequent addition to increase the market value of what was simply envisaged as an "alien autopsy", however, if it was never intended to relate to Roswell, that doesn't explain the use of contemporary 1947 props.

One of Ray Santilli's earliest explanations of the film's claimed origins was in an article for the French magazine Phenomena. On 8 April, 1995, Santilli told the magazine:

"Our cameraman states that the event in Roswell occurred about one month before it was announced in the press. What happened was that the vehicle did crash and they were sent there to film and to clear up the area. The whole area was totally cleaned up. And then, purely by accident, a small piece of debris was found in an area that had been cleaned up and when that was found, the military had to go back in to the area again. That was a couple of weeks after the main event happened".

Where the "cameraman's story" differs, is in the claim that the autopsies took place at Fort Worth, Dallas between the 1st and 3rd of July 1947 and before the dates given in various accounts of bodies having being seen.

Central to the belief that autopsies on small, four fingered creatures had been carried out at the Roswell base was the testimony of Glenn Dennis, the local mortician. Dennis revealed that an Army Nurse at the base had confided how she had been asked to participate in the autopsies of the severely damaged bodies. Shortly thereafter, she was transferred to England and he was later informed that the Army Nurse, a "close friend", had been killed in an air crash.

Dennis had always seemed the most reliable and conservative of witnesses, but recently Kevin Randle, one of the foremost researchers of the Roswell case, acknowledged, "We have been unable to confirm a nurse with the name Glenn Dennis gave her. More importantly, he has not said he didn't give any of us the right name for her because of the promise he made her. Sorry, I just don't buy that. The Glenn Dennis story is slowly, perhaps rapidly, falling apart".

If the claims of small, four fingered creatures are now in some doubt, perhaps Ray Santilli's timeline and film evidence are not so inadmissible after all.

As a hoax, the effrontery of the hoaxers in rewriting the script seems to have been justified, almost perceptive of them.

* The Forgotten Film *

"After filming I had several hundred reels. I separated problem reels which required special attention in processing. These I would do later. The first batch was sent through to Washington, and I processed the remainder a few days later. Once the remaining reels had been processed, I contacted Washington to arrange collection of the final batch. Incredibly, they never came to collect or arrange transportation for them. I called many times and then just gave up. The footage has remained with me ever since".

This is claimed to be the cameraman's own story of the monumental foul-up which allowed him to store the reels of "Roswell" film and eventually take them home with him.

As Santilli acknowledges, it's a unlikely story under any circumstances.

And some clues in the reel documentation reveal a different perspective.

According to the evidence presented in "Roswell: The Footage", the autopsy film consists of the following reels:

Reel No. 53 - Body No. 2 - 10:05
Reel Un-numbered - Body/Leg - 10:20
Reel No. 56 - Body/Leg No. 2 - 10:40
Reel No. 59 - Chest No. 2
Reel No. 61 - Chest No. 2
Reel No. 62 - Head/Eyes No. 2
Reel No. 63 - Head No. 2 - 11:30
Reel No. 64 - Head No. 2
Reel Un-numbered - Brain - 11:45

The time is taken from the clock visible at certain points in the footage.

The last reel isn't numbered on the video, but the content follows on from the previous reel and judging by the time on the clock, it would seem to effectively be "Reel No. 65".

The first reel, which does show the opening sequences, is "Reel No. 53" and the total number of reels used during the one hour and forty minutes of filming would therefore be 13. Ray Santilli has at least 9 of those reels and as the story claims none of them were never forwarded, then, at best, only 4 reels of film could ever have been.

It's evident that these are not just a few "problem reels", but effectively most of the documented film record which could have existed.

I illustrated this fact to Ray Santilli and he responded, "All I can do is go back to the cameraman and ask for further details regarding the reels that were sent back and why some were retained".

Descriptions of the "first autopsy" suggest that the same premise applies to that film also.

* Accounting for the Reels *

Santilli claims that he acquired from the cameraman, "22 reels of film - 21 safety prints and one negative".

He also confirmed to John Stepkowski, "There are 22 reels plus scraps, etc. The reels were 3 minutes in duration apart from scrap reel of 10 minutes approximately".

Reportedly, "the roll of negative film has nothing to do with the rest of the film and was apparently included by accident".

Part of the "tent examination" footage also allegedly originated on the "scrap" reel, and that leaves 20 x 3 minute reels to account for.

This seems to include the following:

Reel Un-numbered - Tagging
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Reel No. 31 - Recovery
Reel No. 52 - Truman a...

Reel No. 53 - Body No. 2
Reel Un-numbered - Body/Leg
Reel No. 56 - Body/Leg No. 2
Reel No. 59 - Chest No. 2
Reel No. 61 - Chest No. 2
Reel No. 62 - Head/Eyes No. 2
Reel No. 63 - Head No. 2
Reel No. 64 - Head No. 2
Reel Un-numbered - Brain

The reels labelled "tagging", are the "debris" footage, the fragments of debris having tags tied to them.

Only photocopies of the alleged labels from Reels No. 31 and 52 have been made available, no images have ever been shown.

We still have to account for the "first autopsy" footage. Apparently, that footage is approximately a minute or so shorter than the "second autopsy" footage and as such, it would seem to account for most, if not all, of the 6 remaining reels.

Ray Santilli has stated that, "A good 50% of the footage we had, we were not able to retrieve an image from" and has confirmed this on other occasions. It's a claim which seems at odds with what can be documented.

This apparent anomaly was demonstrated and he responded, "In your calculation you have not taken into account the length of film contained within what we called the scrap reel".

The scrap reel had however been stated to contain "10 minutes approximately" of film and according to Ray Santilli contained film, "most of which has nothing to do with the event but will be of interest as it gives an insight to the cameraman (for example, on the scrap reel there is approximately 5 minutes of what appears to be a local American football game played in a field)".

It's an anomaly which remains unexplained.

* The Rank Controversy *

The 50 year old archive film was in poor shape, according to Santilli.

"For the great part, the footage was in dreadful condition. Unfortunately, some parts were so corroded we could only rely upon digital enhancement to retrieve the image", he states.

The delicate work of transferring the ageing film to video was said to have been carried out by a "facilities house" and Santilli confirmed to me, "The film was transferred here in the UK".

I had been pursuing this aspect for some time and Bob Shell, a photographic consultant who had offered his services to Ray Santilli, publicly confirmed, "Film to video transfer was done in London by Rank".

He added, "My understanding is that Rank first made a very high quality 16 mm film duplicate of the footage because it was damaged and in poor shape. The video was then made from the dupe".

"When I asked Ray who had done the copying of the original film to a 16 mm dupe, he said that he wasn't sure. He told me that they had gone to one company who had agreed to do the work while they waited, and that this firm had then changed their story and said they would have to leave the film and come back and pick it up later, which they certainly would never have done.

There was then a general conversation in the office as to who had ultimately done the work. Ray said something like, "We ended up having

it done by Rank, didn't we?" and Chris (Cary) said something like, "yes, it was Rank. I'm pretty sure it was Rank."

They promised to provide me with documentation when they had a chance".

Having established from the Rank Organisation plc that Rank Video Services of Brentford, London would undertake any such work, I discussed the matter with Graham Birdsall, editor of UFO Magazine (UK) and it was agreed that Graham would take up this potentially significant information.

Graham first spoke with Paul Gooderham of Rank Video Services and Gooderham confirmed he had seen the footage, but only on TV. He knew of it, but confirmed that Rank Video Services had not been involved with it in any capacity. He suggested speaking with Roy Liddiard at the main laboratory as he was the person with overall responsibility for such matters within the company and may be able to assist further.

Liddiard was also very helpful and further confirmed his company had no involvement in any capacity.

Although Ray Santilli was made aware of Rank's refutation, no explanation has been offered.

* An Absence of Evidence *

Bob Shell, editor of the US publication "Shutterbug", had offered to help analyse any film samples which became available and in a statement dated 19 August 1995, announced:

"I have now physically examined a section of the film, a section showing the "autopsy" room before the body was placed on the table, but clearly consistent with the later footage.

The film on which this was shot is Cine Kodak Super XX, a film type which was discontinued in 1956-57. Since the edge code could be 1927, 1947 or 1967, and this film was not manufactured in 1927 or 1967, this clearly leaves us with only 1947 as an option".

This was a persuasive indication that the film might be authentic, however, subsequent events determined that a number of key issues had been taken on trust. Shell's film strip did not actually contain any edge codes as they had been torn away and the film type could not be identified as Cine Kodak Super XX.

Shell also later confirmed, "In correspondence with Clive Tobin, MUFON Field Investigator in Seattle, Mr. Tobin has established to my satisfaction that the strips I have are prints, not camera original film. While I can easily prove that these strips are pre-1957, that does not establish the date of the original film".

Further research by Robert Irving and image analysis by Theresa Carlson confirmed that the sample frames made available did not clearly show the autopsy room.

The frames contain jumbled images of stairs and a doorway. Visible through the doorway is what seems to be a carpet, on top of which is a low table covered by a cloth. The table is much too low to be any table seen in the film.

The only video which contains these images is "Roswell: The Footage". The frames are the very first images shown, there is a break in continuity and then the opening frames from the "autopsy" begin.

As the sample frames are not contained on any of the tapes given to broadcasters, they must have been added to the beginning at a later date and before "Roswell: The Footage" was released.

This was subsequently acknowledged by Ray Santilli and he explained, "The reason the frames were not included in the sell-through video or broadcast programmes is simply we could not make head or tail of the images and felt them irrelevant to the story and film itself. For that reason we only included the frames in the version of the film containing all the footage from the relevant reels.

The frames were contained on the outside edge of one of the reels and

were in such poor condition they fell apart on handling. We did not falsely recompile the frames which we could easily have done we presented them on the video in their natural state which is why the frames jump. The frames are part of the film, however if people wish to think otherwise that's fine by me. They are wrong".

During June of 1995, Kodak in Hemel Hempstead, London were also asked by Ray Santilli and Gary Shoefield, who were by this time business partners, to verify the dating of a blank film strip approximately 2 inches long. The edge codes indicated a date of either, 1927, 1947 or 1967, Kodak's codes repeating every 20 years.

Peter Milson, Marketing Planning Manager and Motion Picture and Television Imaging Manager, explained, "...and what he's done, obviously I can't blame him for this, is given me a bit of the leader, or given us a bit of the leader and said this is the same as the negative, this is from the same bit of film".

Kodak in Copenhagen were also asked to verify the dating of a similar blank strip. The film was forwarded to them by Tripple Entertainment, based in Denmark. It seems that Tripple Entertainment wished to have some film authenticated whilst negotiating with Ray Santilli's company.

Again, the edge codes indicated a date of either, 1927, 1947 or 1967.

Kodak in Hollywood were asked to verify what Ray Santilli terms, "film with image", however he did not clarify what the image was. Gary Shoefield took the film to Hollywood and was apparently accompanied by Don Linck, an American film producer. Laurence Cate, a salesman with Kodak, explained, "two gentlemen came into my office and they asked someone to look at a piece of film they have in a 16 mm film can, one of the old Kodak film cans that are very common".

Asked what he could say about the age of the film sample, Cate confirms he explained that, "I couldn't do a scientific investigation but I could look at the edge print".

The edge codes again indicated a date of either, 1927, 1947 or 1967.

As for the images on the film, he clarified, "I didn't really look at the image area".

"I didn't think we were looking at a scientific inquiry. There is no way I could authenticate this".

As to whether any meaningful film samples will be provided for scientific analysis, Santilli has been quite categorical, "Giving away film with the creature would be a last resort as the frames are far too valuable. I think it is also unnecessary as it is part of the same material already released".

In my correspondence with Shell, he confirmed, "I have no idea what kind of print film it is".

In summary, he accepted, "Really the only evidence for Super XX that we have at present is the cameraman's word and those film boxes".

* The Film Box Labels *

The film boxes are in fact photocopies of three labels, alleged to be from the film boxes. One of the labels relates to the "Truman" reel, Santilli claiming that the cameraman told him there was some film of President Truman at the "autopsy room" observation window.

Santilli states that no images could be retrieved from this reel as it was stuck together. The label notes that it is "Reel # 52" and as the first reel from the autopsy footage is alleged to be "Reel # 53", this would at least be consistent.

The film type shown on the label is Kodak SUPER-XX, a high speed film recommended for documenting medical procedures.

The labels are curious in one particular respect; each of them bears a stamp which shows the insignia of either the National Military

Establishment (NME) or the Department of Defense (DoD)

The NME seal did not come into existence until October 1947 or later and when the NME was redesignated as the DoD in August 1949, the seal was retained.

However, although the stamp bears that insignia, the name of the organisation shown on the stamp does not appear to be either the NME or the DoD.

Unfortunately, the stamp imprint shown on each of the photocopies is of poor quality and the name of the organisation is illegible, however, the general consensus is that the last of three words shown is AGENCY. The second word could be INTELLIGENCE and this raises an interesting possibility that the organisation shown is the CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, the letter spacing conceivably matching the stamp.

The CIA was part of the NME, which also encompassed the army, navy and air force. Both the CIA and the NME were formed under the National Security Act of 1947, a Congressional act signed into law on 26 July 1947. The NME seal was approved shortly thereafter, but the CIA did not have their own, distinctly different, seal until one was approved by President Truman on 17 February, 1950.

During the period from July 1947 to February 1950, could the CIA have used an unofficial seal, or stamp, which was effectively the seal of the NME with the name of the NME replaced by the CIA's?

My written query to the Chief Historian at the CIA brought a response from the Center for the Study of Intelligence which confirmed, "I have seen no instance where the CIA used a National Military Establishment seal prior to President Truman's 1950 approval of the present Agency seal".

One further possibility, and conceivably the "best fit", is the DEFENCE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, however, the DIA did not become operational until 1 October 1961 and this would not equate with the story of the reel's origins.

* The Cameraman *

During August of last year, news leaked that the cameraman had agreed to answer some further questions. As Kiviat later confirmed, Ray Santilli had "arranged to have the cameraman answer 25 of my questions concerning the story".

It's understood that on 12th July, 1996, the tape was delivered to Robert Kiviat and Gary Shoefield at a prearranged hotel room in New York. Kiviat was allowed to watch the video three times, but was not given the tape.

The tape was handed over by a man who claimed to be the cameraman's son.

I asked Ray Santilli if he would like to comment on this disclosure and he replied, "I am sorry that news of the cameraman's interview is out, however please note at present there are no plans to use it".

He added, "The whole thing will be attempted again later this year".

During subsequent discussions, Santilli told me about his dilemma with the tape.

"The content of the cameraman's interview really wasn't the problem. The problem revolved around the way in which it was filmed. To cut a long story short he insisted on filming it himself as he wanted to be in control of the lighting and the style of the interview - he wanted his image in silhouette. However expert he may have been with film in the old days, he made a complete mess of the shoot on digital tape because by turning up the brightness of any viewer you could get a clear picture of the man himself. The other problem was his nervousness - for the most part you can see him shaking".

At the beginning of this year, Fuji TV in Japan were the first to broadcast the video. A copy of the program was speedily acquired by sources in the United States and using video capture equipment, images

of the person claiming to be the cameraman were made available via the internet.

Ray Santilli's company, Orbital Media Ltd. - formerly known as Roswell Footage Ltd. - have written to a number of publishers strictly forbidding publication of these images.

As the lighting does not provide a complete silhouette, the person on screen is recognisable, although not necessarily identifiable. He's an apparently broad shouldered, elderly man and is wearing a dark coloured shirt and a baseball cap. He's seated and looking directly at the camera. Behind him and to the right is a large, bright light, directed towards his back with the intention of creating a silhouette.

The opinion from those in the US who have now seen this video, is that the person on camera has a mid-west accent.

A transcript of the video has also been made available and it does not contain any significant new information.

* Back in Time *

The Cleveland visit in the summer of 1992 is factual and it seems Ray Santilli did acquire a significant collection of Elvis Presley film clips and memorabilia.

One of the first people he spoke to about the alleged "Roswell" footage was Carl Nagaitis, a journalist with an interest in the Elvis Presley story.

Nagaitis was also to co-author "Without Consent", a book on the subject of "alien abductions". The co-author was Philip Mantle, at that time Director of Investigations for BUFORA.

I discussed the case with both of them and they helpfully clarified the background.

Via Mantle, Nagaitis released a statement explaining his involvement:

"This is to confirm that I first met Ray Santilli in 1992 while researching an article for the Sunday People about some never-before-seen photos of Elvis Presley. Ray was interested in selling the rights to the story through a national newspaper.

Although we didn't do a deal, Ray and I got on well and he told me how he had made many trips to the USA in search of the material.

When I left Mirror Group Newspapers in January 1993 I kept in touch with my contacts, including Ray, and I had several meetings with him about various possible projects. It was during one of these meetings, in February or March of 1993, that he revealed that he had seen some remarkable material while in the USA. He did not reveal the nature of that material".

This could be an allusion to the film which was to surface almost two years later and is the first reference to any "remarkable material" that I'm aware of.

Nagaitis continues, "Later in the year, when Ray and I were discussing the possibility of a video on UFOs and alien abductions (another aborted project) he went on to add that the film he had managed to get from the USA was connected with the Roswell Incident.

I remember that he mentioned this to be before I actually introduced him to you (Philip Mantle)".

Mantle takes up the story:

"I was contacted by Ray Santilli in 1993, the exact date of which I did not keep.

Ray may have located me via Carl Nagaitis or by some of the publicity that I was involved in at the time helping to promote the movie "Fire in the Sky". To be perfectly honest, I am not 100 % sure how Ray located me but it was probably via one of the two options above. At

the time of my first contact with Ray Santilli it was immediately clear to me that he knew either very little or nothing about the Roswell case and UFOs in general.

The subject matter we discussed was mainly on abductions as I recall, this being my idea as I was in the process of writing a book on them at the time. However, I discussed many ideas none of which, at that time, included or involved anything to do with Roswell or crashed UFO's in general".

"All I can say regarding Ray Santilli's "knowledge" of the Roswell event is that as far as I'm aware he knew little or nothing about it when I first met him. For example, for a long time he called Roswell "Rosewell" and was not familiar with any of the well known names of witnesses and/or investigators associated with the case".

It was Nagaitis who wrote the article dated 9 August, 1992, for the Sunday People newspaper, entitled, "Move over ET, the real alien is here...".

Essentially a story on the forthcoming BUFORA conference, which would feature the Roswell case, it was also mentioned that, "Hollywood golden boy Steven Spielberg plans a big-budget movie about the alien crash-landing...".

I asked Carl Nagaitis about the source of this claim and he confirmed it was a rumour from the United States.

By the time the Daily Mirror newspaper published an article dated 22 December 1993 and headed, "STEVEN SPIELBERG TO MAKE FILM ABOUT UFO CRASH MYSTERY", the story had grown to encompass the claim that, "Hollywood insiders say the director has got hold of previously unseen film footage of the flying saucer crash scene taken by a military officer".

It hasn't proved possible to confirm whether this was a reference to the film which Ray Santilli had by this time spoken of. Certainly, there's no known factual connection between Steven Spielberg and the "alien autopsy" film.

The same story also featured in the November 1994 issue of OMNI and the claims were formally denied by Amblin Productions, Spielberg's company.

It was shortly afterwards that rumours of alleged archive "Roswell" film, were proven to have some substance.

* Fact or Fiction? *

As a hoax, it's such an audacious and spectacular deception.

There are three people in the "autopsy" film, the person with apparent surgical skills, his female assistant and the person behind the observation window. At one point, another person enters the room for a short time and all four are visible. With the addition of the person filming them, this means there were at least five people involved. We also have to account for the special effects personnel, the video editing staff, the person who appears on video and who claims to be the cameraman, the person who delivered that tape and claimed to be his son and of course all of those responsible for the promotion of the film.

Even allowing for some dual roles, that still seems to involve an elaborate set-up, but as a hoax, that's the scale of involvement which it seems there must be.

It does of course remain infinitely less complex than would be the "cover up" of any such genuine incident.

As for likely suspects, Trey Stokes believes, "All we can do is point the finger away from Hollywood. It's because of the free-lancing nature of the FX biz in L.A. that I'm pretty sure it didn't come from there. Walk into an FX shop at random and pick any FX artist - he's probably got a friend working for Rick Baker, another working for Steve Johnson, another over at Rob Bottin's and so on. Everybody

eventually knows what everybody's been up to. And there's no hint thus far of any Hollywood-based FX artist, famous or otherwise, having done this. So it's unlikely - though not impossible - that it came from Hollywood.

Which just leaves the rest of the country, and the planet. Everywhere movies are made, there'll be people doing the FX for them. How many suspects does that add up to?"

Ray Santilli maintains his story is true and faced with the direct question of whether he has perpetrated a hoax, remains assured.

"I still go back to what I said before. If someone, even if it was our company, wanted to hoax a piece of footage, why not do the job properly, why not create something that really looks like an alien creature? Why come up with something where you've got these unnecessary hurdles of saying, well, is it human or is it not human, and in answer to your question, we didn't hoax it".

Whether intentional or not, as a special effects creation, the humanoid form was paradoxically perhaps the reason why the film held such intrigue.

In summary, for the case that the entire affair is a grandiose hoax:

- the various stories of how the film was acquired have significant differences
- the "autopsy" footage isn't a few "problem reels" kept back for further processing, it's a synopsis of the proceedings and many of the missing scenes are due to gaps in filming on the reels which do exist
- it was claimed that film clearly showing President Truman had been viewed
- the reels which can be documented do not seem to support statements that some 50% of the images couldn't be retrieved and the explanation given appears to contradict a previous statement
- there's no evidence than any archive 16mm film was ever processed and the unfounded "Rank in London" claims have not been explained
- no meaningful film samples have been provided for authentication
- there's no evidence that the cameraman has any authenticity
- there's no meaningful evidence to support the story of the alleged crash and the autopsies having taken place
- all of the footage which is known to exist is consistent with a staged environment
- conspicuously absent is any film showing the crash site or the vehicle recovery, the numerous military personnel and vehicles claimed to have been present, or any footage from the three weeks alleged to have been spent at Wright Patterson (Wright Field at that time), "working on the debris"
- there's no evidence of the film boxes from which the labels allegedly came and Bob Shell states that based on Ray Santilli's answers to questions about the film boxes, he is unconvinced that Santilli ever had them
- in response to my question, "Didn't anyone ever query what had happened to "reel 4 of 12", "reel 8 of 12" etc., i.e. over 20 missing reels?", it was explained that, "The reels were not labelled with a description of their contents. Just numbers". The labels which were later produced had descriptions, as apparently do all the reels documented in "Roswell: The Footage"
- The Cleveland visit is now acknowledged as being 1992, not 1993 as claimed and that leaves a year during which there was no apparent interest in finding out what the footage related to, despite having allegedly paid a deposit on it and attempting to raise the "significant amount" required to purchase it.

In support of the contention that, at least, it's not necessarily so straightforward:

- Volker Spielberg has confirmed the claim that he possesses all of the reels
- Ray Santilli did produce his own video which helpfully documented each reel shown
- he took the video footage to people who could offer relevant expert opinions
- when he noted that Theresa Carlson was working on image analysis, he offered a superior quality copy of the footage
- there is another "autopsy" film which has not been released

- even the more sceptical estimates of the cost suggest a substantial figure
- attempts to recreate some of the film have fallen well short, although none of these have as yet come from the larger special effects companies
- the overall relationship to the Roswell case is perhaps theoretically conceivable
- two people claiming to be the cameraman and his son have now been seen

There's no apparent compromise with the story.

If the film was bought from an ex-military cameraman, now in his eighties, and it did originate on 50 year old 16mm reels in the "dreadful" condition stated, then it's likely to be genuine footage.

Conversely, if the film is not genuine, then all that comes with it is spurious and it's highly unlikely it was ever bought as claimed and that it ever existed on crumbling, archive 16mm film.

"Extraordinary claims require extraordinary evidence", is a quote attributed to Carl Sagan. In the absence of any corroborative evidence to support the film's claimed genesis and provenance, it remains an unsubstantiated claim by default and the apparent anachronisms do not lend credence to those claims.

But in essence, many of the fundamental questions remain unanswered.

What does that "first autopsy" film really show.

Who is the person on the "cameraman" video tape.

Who made the films, when and where.

How did they achieve some of the effects.

What was the original motivation.

The world-wide exposure and commercial success of the film must have been beyond the dreams of those involved with it, in whatever capacity, and for those who take an interest in the question of whether we are alone in the universe, this footage has arguably proved to be the most tantalising, controversial and extraordinary tangible evidence ever presented.

With material from the Fuji TV broadcast increasingly available on the internet, identifying the person who claims to be the cameraman is now a possibility and other avenues of investigation continue to be explored.

The truth is out there.

Somewhere.

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The Manikin Who Fell to Earth 1/2

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The following article contains some information which is generally known, but also includes material which has never been published before and sets out to tell some of the extraordinary story of the "alien autopsy" footage.

It also hopefully answers some of the points which have come up recently about the evidence for and against the likely authenticity of the film.

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The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

In August of 1995, millions of viewers world-wide watched television broadcasts of some grainy black and white film, claimed to have been taken in 1947 and which documented an astonishing event, the dissection of an apparently alien creature.

The film was brought to public attention by London businessman Ray Santilli, a company director with a diverse involvement in the music, entertainment and publishing arenas.

He claimed, "As a result of research into film material for a music documentary, I was in Cleveland, Ohio in the summer of 1993. Whilst there I had identified some old film material taken by Universal News in the summer of 1955".

Santilli said he was "able to determine that the film was shot by a local freelance cameraman, who had been employed by Universal News because of a film union strike".

He continued, "The cameraman was located, following which a very straight forward negotiation took place for his small piece of film, i.e., cash for three minutes of film. Upon completion of this, the cameraman asked if I would be interested in purchasing outright very valuable footage taken during his time in the forces. He explained that the footage in question came from the Roswell crash, that it included debris and recovery footage and of most importance autopsy footage".

This was the information given in the statement released by Ray Santilli and he later told me that the cameraman, "freelanced for Universal News as most qualified film cameramen did during that time and filmed Elvis with his backing band, live on stage, in late 1955". He added, "It was a short clip of film, around ten minutes, but nevertheless very good and yes, we purchased it".

Although it was initially claimed that the "three minutes of film" had been shot in the summer of 1955, here it's claimed that the filming took place "in late 1955" and the length of the film was "around ten minutes".

Another account states that the Elvis Presley film was shot, "during the early part of 1955", when, "over a particular weekend", the cameraman had filmed "a variety of rock concerts and so forth at different high schools", although Santilli also told me it was "not a high school performance, but an open air one".

Having then been offered the "Roswell" film material, Santilli states, "we took an internal flight to his house which was some distance away from where we met him, and he showed us on film everything that you have now seen and that everyone has become interested in".

As to why the cameraman was in Cleveland in the first place, Santilli reportedly explained that the cameraman's son lived in Cleveland and when the cameraman visited on the 4th July weekend, he saw one of Ray Santilli's advertisements and contacted him.

There are obviously a number of apparent variances in these accounts, but this is the general story of how contact was first made with the cameraman, who "was in his eighties".

Accompanying Ray Santilli on that Cleveland trip was Gary Shoefield, Managing Director of Working Title Television, a subsidiary of the successful Working Title Films, itself a UK subsidiary of PolyGram Filmed Entertainment.

Santilli states, "While in Cleveland both Gary and Myself meet over 60 private collectors of photo/film and Rock & Roll memorabilia. We had placed advertisements and made it generally known to the music community we were there to buy anything of value. I have, since 1992 released over 5 music documentaries, all with rare early footage. It's my business. I have acquired private Elvis footage from a great many people".

"The whole reason for the trip was to meet collectors of primarily Elvis memorabilia. The fact is, myself and Gary Shoefield came back from that trip with 18 separate clips of film from 6 sources. One of those sources being the cameraman".

Santilli claims that whilst negotiations went smoothly, meeting the cameraman's asking price, rumoured to be \$100,000, wasn't so easy and he eventually turned to a long time German business associate, Volker Spielberg.

"I first saw the film during my Cleveland trip and agreed to buy it, however I didn't have the money. A small down-payment was made in 92, but I couldn't raise the rest, which is why I turned to Volker, so he didn't pay the full amount. Volker put up most of the money on the condition he could have some film, and we pay him a percentage from any income we can derive from it".

Spielberg was based in Hamburg and his business interests included, "VS-Musik Verlag GmbH" and "Lollipop Musik Volker Spielberg KG". He has since moved to Austria.

In correspondence with Santilli, he revealed some more of the background relationship.

"Volker is one of the greatest extroverts you could ever wish to meet, he collects anything of real value, he is wealthy and has been a business associate and friend of mine for many years. That's how I know him. That's why I turned to him when I needed money".

In response to the question of whether Spielberg was therefore not only a collector of historic, archive film, but a collector per se, Santilli confirms, "Anything of real value, that's Volker, yes, per se".

During October 1995, French TV channel TF1 broadcast the results of their investigations.

Nicolas Maillard and Jacques Pradel revealed that whilst in Cleveland during 1992, not 1993 as had been claimed, Santilli and Shoefield met with Bill Randle, a prominent disc jockey in the 1950s. Randle had co-produced with Universal Pictures a film called "The Pied Piper of Cleveland", which contained archive concert footage taken during 1955 in Cleveland High Schools. The film featured Bill Haley and the Comets, Pat Boone and the then relatively unknown Elvis Presley, who

had been invited by Randle.

Maillard confirmed, "They bought the option after 7 taped-hours of discussion for the contract".

Ray Santilli later explained, "In the final event Bill was paid some money for an option on third party film footage he purchased which we could never find at Universal Studios".

When Santilli first revealed details of the cameraman, he told a number of people that the cameraman's name was Jack Barnet(t). The TF1 broadcast also revealed that the "Pied Piper of Cleveland" film had been shot by director Arthur Cohen and a Chicago newsreel cameraman, called Jack Barnett.

Surely, this had to be the same person who had sold the film to Santilli.

But it was impossible. Barnett had never been in the army and died many years ago.

This was generally perceived to be an indictment of Santilli's story, but some further research reveals that Santilli had on a number of occasions, prior to the broadcast, confirmed that Jack Barnet(t) had been adopted as a pseudonym for the cameraman.

He subsequently explained to me, "I still maintain that the story of the film's acquisition is true, certain non-relevant details were only changed to stop people getting to the cameraman. Yes, the trip to Cleveland was 1992, Yes, during that trip I met Bill Randle, but he was one of many people we met. Yes, during that trip I met the cameraman and no, the cameraman's name is not Jack Barnet. I have always made it clear that the name had been adopted to protect the cameraman's real name.

In hindsight I could have handled the situation a little better, by not saying anything about the manner in which the film was acquired".

TF1 had also located Volker Spielberg's whereabouts in Austria and in a telephone conversation, he spoke with reporter Nicolas Maillard.

"I want to be left alone. I'm a collector, I want to be out, and I want to have no contact with nobody regarding this matter because this is my personal thing. Simply, I'm not interested. You see, the whole matter is of no interest to me, I have made up my mind. I have my belief and that's it and I got what I want. I'm happy and that's it".

"What have I to do with this? As to my knowledge, I'll keep all the cans, yes, as to my knowledge, that's all I can tell you. Well, as to my knowledge I possess all the film reels. Whether this is true or not, that's not up to me to judge, but that is my belief, yes".

During discussions with Santilli, he mentioned the magnitude of his success in acquiring Elvis Presley memorabilia during that trip.

"I came back with many hours of rare Elvis film, so rare that PolyGram commissioned a report by ex-BMG (RCA) director Roger Seaman".

Santilli also recalled a newspaper feature on the Elvis memorabilia and I was able to locate a copy of this. Dated 17 August, 1992, the Daily Mirror article is headed "ELVIS: his last amazing letter" and refers to Ray Santilli and one of his companies, "The Merlin Group".

The article also contains some pictures of Elvis Presley which had never previously been published and details some of the considerable memorabilia which was to feature in a forthcoming two-hour documentary, called "Private Presley".

* A First Viewing *

"The cameraman lost faith and thought I wasn't serious, it took a great deal of time and effort to turn the situation around.

The story stops there until November of 1994 when with the money in hand I flew over without warning and tried; this time I succeeded".

One of the first people to become aware of the film's alleged acquisition was Reg Presley, lead singer of the successful 60s band, "The Troggs". Presley's interest in "crop circles" and the subject of UFOs was well known and during some unrelated discussions with Presley's manager, Santilli wondered if Presley might be interested in seeing some of the film he had acquired.

Shortly after Christmas 1994, Presley saw part of the footage. He was already scheduled to appear some two weeks later on "Good Morning with Anne and Nick" and although ostensibly invited to discuss crop circles, he also revealed details of the film he had been shown. On the subject of the Roswell incident, he announced, "If you think that you aren't going to find out about that, I have some great information. I was speaking to a producer the other day who has just got hold of some film footage of the autopsy done on the aliens".

Santilli agreed to show the film at the forthcoming British UFO Research Association (BUFORA) annual conference, to be held at Sheffield Hallam University on 19 August 1995. David Clarke, a journalist with the Sheffield Star, offered to write an article on the story and via Clarke, it also came to the attention of White's press agency in Sheffield.

On 26 March 1995, The Press Association released the news that, "A top-secret film allegedly showing dead aliens will be screened for the first time anywhere in the world this summer - in Britain".

The story sparked a major global interest, sufficient to require a world premiere of the film and on the 5th May 1995, the "alien autopsy" was shown before an invited audience at the Museum of London.

The reaction of the audience was mixed, some thought the film was a fake, a few whispered their belief that it might be real, others simply weren't sure. But few, if any, laughed at some 18 minutes of film, purporting to show the dissection of a non-human entity.

London based writer and renowned "crop circle" creator Robert Irving, wrote in the Fortean Times; "Perhaps strangest of all was the sight of that awkward mix of known-believers in the ET hypothesis, known disbelievers, believed fakers of it, innocent ostentionists, and the downright disingenuous, all hissing "hoax" at a piece of evidence that seemed to me as impressive as any I'd seen.

But never in my lifetime had I expected to witness the subsequent co-operation between traditional adversaries, all seemingly galvanised into an unprecedented gush of agreement - adopting what one of them called, "a proper, sceptical attitude" - that the film was a transparent fraud. Uh...? For, whoever is responsible for the film has now provided ufologists with what I'd assumed they had always wanted; firm, enticingly inconclusive evidence that something out there has somehow got here".

* Revealing the Footage *

Due to the snowballing interest, TV companies around the world acquired broadcast rights and began producing their own programs. Two major documentaries were to feature; "Incident at Roswell", commissioned from Union Pictures by Channel 4 as part of their "Secret History" series and "Alien Autopsy: Fact or Fiction", to be produced for the US market by Kiviat/Greene Productions and broadcast on the Fox network.

John Purdie was to produce the Union Pictures documentary and on 25th July 1995, he gave an interview to Talk Radio UK in which he confirmed, "All I know is that it's being shown first of all on Channel 4. We acquired part of this alien footage for our film. But our film was already scheduled to go out on Channel 4's Sci-Fi Weekend -which starts on 26 August and goes through to 28th. This footage came along at an opportune time. It's very exciting stuff to have, I won't deny that. But our film was scheduled and in place and we were continuing with our investigation of the Roswell incident".

During a telephone conversation with Ray Santilli, he advised that the agreement with Union Pictures and Channel 4 was that they would research the film story and if it wasn't proven to be a hoax, the "Incident at Roswell" documentary would be released on video together with a copy of the complete footage. Santilli's company would receive royalties on the resulting video sales.

Robert Kiviat, Executive Producer of the "Fact or Fiction" documentary, is an old-hand at bringing tales of the unusual to a television audience and it was no surprise he was one of the first to take an interest in the story.

In a recent Internet conference for OMNI on-line, Kiviat explained, "I met Ray by diligently researching a rumour that the film footage had surfaced in England. When you take this subject seriously, like I do, unlike many other journalists, you can track down anyone and anything and it was not as difficult as people may think".

"My first comments to Ray Santilli were, if you have a genuine film of an alien autopsy, then it should be treated in a journalistic fashion, call in the experts, and, no pun intended, dissect it. He researched me, saw that I had worked for Unsolved Mysteries on NBC, written for OMNI magazine, and also for newspapers, and that it seemed that I was the right choice of producer. I also had recently been Co-ordinating Producer of ENCOUNTERS on Fox".

The subsequent video sales of "Incident at Roswell" seem to have been a reasonable success, but nowhere near so successful as "Alien Autopsy: Fact or Fiction". On 18 November, 1995, Billboard magazine announced, "'Alien Autopsy' sales, now approaching 100,000 units at \$19.99, could top 500,000 by early 1996".

"Such key chains as Best Buy, Musicland, and Blockbuster have bought thousands of copies, but "Alien Autopsy" has been racking up its strongest numbers in direct response, according to Gary Goldman, president of Goldhil Home Media in Thousand Oaks, Calif."

"It was simple to go out to major accounts and tout it. No pun intended, but the response has been out of this world".

Santilli acknowledged that, "the US video has sold around 100,000 units, and part of this is premium business".

A third video release seems to have little commercial success, yet as evidence, this was the most significant of all.

Santilli had previously explained his original objectives.

"Before we became involved with Channel Four it was my intention to make our own documentary based on the films we had acquired".

"Our plan was very simple, we would shoot a documentary and eventually release the footage in a controlled manner".

Santilli's company, Roswell Footage Ltd., produced a video called "Roswell: The Footage" and this was sold exclusively by mail order. It contains the "raw" footage, with each reel being preceded by a description. This is the only video which contains all of the "alien autopsy" footage and shows some sequences not found on the other commercial releases.

In addition to the UK and US documentaries, the film was featured in programs broadcast in a number of European countries and also in Australia, Asia and South America.

* Looking for Answers *

Asked what he would say to a potential critic who claimed that the "alien autopsy" film was his version of the Hitler diaries, Santilli responds, "I would say that they are wrong. I have never stated that the film is the autopsy of an alien creature. I have however presented it for people to examine and given it in good faith to many broadcasters around the world because they have the financial muscle and the ability to investigate it".

Initially, he fearlessly showed the video footage to a number of people with relevant expertise and confirmed, "Apart from a variety of medical experts world-wide, including three pathologists in Italy, one in Paris, one in Japan and three in the UK, the film has been examined by three special effects companies, one in Italy, one in Japan and by the Jim Henson staff here in the U.K."

"In addition to the above, the film was screened for the curator of mammals at the Natural History Museum, Mr Richard Sabin, and also for the senior surgeons at University College Hospital, London".

Santilli also claims to have shown the film to representatives from a number of religions and states, "We covered all faiths. The reaction was very bad, most walked out".

He certainly took the footage to Dr C. M. Milroy MBChB,MD,MRCPath, DMJ, Senior Lecturer in Forensic Pathology at The University of Sheffield.

In a statement dated 2 June 1995, Milroy concludes; "Overall the appearances were those of a white adolescent female with a humanoid body. There were six digits to each hand and foot and the body shape was dysmorphic. No accurate determination could be made of organ structure because every close up shot was out of focus. The injuries present to the body were less than those expected in an aviation accident. No injuries to account for the death were shown. Whilst the examination had features of a medically conducted examination, aspects suggested it was not conducted by an experienced autopsy pathologist, but rather by a surgeon".

This final comment is a view shared by Dr. Page Hudson, who retired as an emeritus professor of pathology at East Carolina University, Greenville, N.C., but remains a consultant on forensic pathology. Hudson concluded, "He looked reasonably comfortable with a knife, but he was very mincing with it. He used very short strokes, it's usually easier, cleaner, and simpler to take long strokes. It made me think he was a surgeon. Surgeons, of necessity, cut that way, as opposed to long cuts".

On the question of the film being hoaxed, Hudson believes, "Even with today's technology it would be pretty tough to create from plastic, whatnot, or non-human material anything that would look that good".

"I think somehow they had a running start, a peculiar looking body that they may have helped to look 'alien'".

It's perhaps a tribute to any creature effects artist that their work could deceive such eminent pathologists. A considerable number of experienced medical professionals also expressed the opinion that they were looking at a real body, human or otherwise.

Not all shared that view however. Dr. Ed Uthman, Diplomate, American Board of Pathology and author of "The Routine Autopsy: A Guide for Screenwriters and Novelists", considers the film to be a hoax, whilst Dr. Dominick Demaio, former Chief Medical Examiner of the city of New York, believes the film to be, "a lot of bull".

Also highly critical was an article written by Maurice Chittenden for The Sunday Times. It was claimed that, "Among the flaws found by The Sunday Times are:

"Security coding" on one film disappeared when its accuracy was challenged.

When footage of one autopsy was shown at a private screening in America, it was codemarked with the words "Restricted access. A01 classification". However, "restricted access" is not a recognised US military code and A01 classification has been dismissed as "pure Hollywood".

The first film to be shown by Ray Santilli was the "tent examination", a short sequence of film which was given on video tape to some interested parties. The brief film shows two people, who are not wearing protective clothing, apparently taking swabs from a body lying on a table and covered by a sheet. The image quality is poor and very little detail is discernible, however, Santilli apparently has a "crystal clear" copy.

The "security coding" was an issue I had raised with Ray Santilli and The Sunday Times based these accusations on the public discussions which followed.

Santilli subsequently clarified, "We planned to show each segment of film with the information written on the cans reproduced in the bottom

left hand side of the screen. It seemed a good way of representing the clip being shown, bearing in mind that a voice over or music seemed inappropriate. We never finalized a format we were happy with. In the final event we elected to let Channel Four show the footage and there was no need for us to continue down that path. However we may still do it on the uncut mail-order version".

The video which contained the "security coding" was not therefore film of an autopsy, "shown at a private screening in America", but the "tent examination" footage.

Additionally, researcher John Stepkowski had written to historian Steven Aftergood of the Federation of American Scientists, asking for an informed opinion on the use of a "Restricted Access" classification in general.

Aftergood's opinion was that, "The term Restricted Access has sometimes been used interchangeably with Special Access, which refers to special dissemination controls above and beyond the classification level and the clearance level of the recipient".

"Classification markings from that era were not standardized or consistent. Every organization could use more or less whatever markings it wanted".

* A Very Special Effect *

"The point is, if we did this, I'd be pretty proud of it".

If the film is an example of the art of fooling people, such kudos from within the special effects industry would be praise indeed. This however was no ordinary acclamation, nor the endorsement of a mere mortal from that realm. Those were the words of Stan Winston, recipient of Academy Awards for the special effects work in Jurassic Park, Terminator II and Aliens.

Winston was asked to give his expert opinion as part of the research conducted for the Fox network production. Although Time Magazine subsequently reported Winston's opinion as, "Do I think it's a hoax? Absolutely", Winston and some of his colleagues have had considerable praise for the special effects expertise they see as being evident in the footage.

Union Pictures brought in C-F-X Creature Effects, based in London's Pinewood Studios, for their assessment and special effects director Bob Keen confirmed his conclusions; "In my opinion, I think it's a special effect. It's man made".

As for the cost of creating the film, Winston expressed the view, "If it's been done today to look like it was done then, it would be a many, many, multiple thousands of dollars". Bob Keen concurs; "It's a good special effect, it's not going to be a cheap item. It's going to be a few hundred thousand dollars probably".

And it's only one of a matching pair.

Barely referenced in the televised documentaries, there is also the enigmatic "first autopsy".

Few people have seen this footage, last known to have been screened privately in April 1995, but descriptions indicate a considerable similarity. It takes place in the same room, or film set as some would claim, with a similar anthropomorphic form on the table, it's stomach distended and with six digits on the hands and feet.

Santilli describes it as "a similar species", which is "slightly smaller and looks more wrinkled and blemished, but you can't see any wounds on it".

This footage begins with the dark "eye covers" being removed, an act which takes places later in the televised film. Once visible, the eyeballs are again rolled up into the head.

In general, the dissection seems to be much the same procedure, although as there are apparently fewer close-ups, the film does not

go out of focus so much.

The "brain removal" is also present and the entire proceedings are again carried out by two people. In the film which has been broadcast, one of them is quite evidently female. They are wearing the same protective clothing in both films, although whether to protect themselves from a possible contamination, or simply to protect their identities, is all part of the debate. Apparently in no need of such protection is the person who stands behind a glass observation window, documenting the momentous events before him, yet, in both films, he wears a surgeon's mask.

One notable difference between the films is the "gynaecological examination". No more than a cursory examination in the film shown world-wide, Santilli explained the distinction to American documentary producer, Linda Moulton-Howe; "It's the same, except it's a little more graphic and a little more unpleasant for the squeamish, I'm afraid. It's the full 'pull-the-legs-apart and look'".

Stranger still, Santilli states that "a small, white organ of some kind with strings or tendrils was removed, but I couldn't tell you what it is".

Two "alien autopsies" at a few hundred thousand dollars each?

This doesn't seem to make much sense either as a mischievous hoax, or as an investment in a precarious fraud.

It could make some sense if we make two reasonable assumptions; the overall cost was significantly less than has been quoted and the "first autopsy" was a dress rehearsal.

American special effects artist Trey Stokes takes a less charitable view of the film and offers his assessment of the cost involved; "As for price, here's some realistic numbers. If everyone worked for free, the materials to make the alien should run about \$5,000. If everyone - estimating three or four technicians taking a couple of weeks - got paid for their time, say a total of \$30,000. And to shoot the film itself, get the props and costumes and all, I'd be comfortable bidding \$50,000 for the whole package".

Although still a costly undertaking, that sounds more reasonable. However, he hasn't accounted for the other "alien autopsy" film and we're suddenly looking at a six figure sum again.

Or are we. As a presumed special effect, it's apparent that considerable planning and attention to detail went into the creation of this illusion and like any other staged production, a dress rehearsal would be an invaluable exercise.

Could this be the origin of the similar "first autopsy" footage?

In this scenario, the additional cost of the final product would not necessarily add significantly to the budget. It seems the same props are used and all that's required is another model with the finishing touches - the partially severed hand, gaping leg wound and the fine detail evident on the body.

One further explanation for a cost effective hoax would be if the materials were available at almost no outlay and much of the work undertaken by dedicated enthusiasts, possibly "after hours".

As a special effects creation, any other explanations seem difficult to rationalise.

Stokes cites an impressive list of his colleagues who believe the film is a special effect, including:

- Phil Tippett, Academy Awards: Jurassic Park, Return of the Jedi
- Dick Smith, Academy Awards: Amadeus
- Steve Johnson, Emmy Award: Special Makeup FX for Stephen King's The Stand
- Bill Corso, Emmy Award: Special Makeup FX for Stephen King's The Stand
- Joel Harlow, Emmy Award: Special Makeup FX for Stephen King's The Stand

"We have yet to find a creature FX artist who believes the autopsy is

real", he claims.

Whilst some scenes in the film are believable, others are maybe not so convincing. The body is never moved to any significant extent, is tentatively handled and filming of some scenes which would be challenging, e.g., the opening of the chest and removal of the rib cage, has been "skipped" on the reels which do exist.

As Trey Stokes also notes, when the body has been opened up, there's no apparent evidence of the pelvis and thigh bones.

It is of course eminently sensible to take a sceptical view of the proceedings, but that scepticism should be consistent.

There have been some attempts from within the special effects community to recreate the footage, but by comparison the original remains in a different league and the recreations have avoided the impressive scalp reflection and brain removal sequence.

Perhaps it would take a leading studio to demonstrate how it could be duplicated. It's not in doubt that it could be done, but there are some questions which seemingly haven't been answered.

As Stan Winston commented in his analysis, "You see how uniform the blood is on the inside surface of the skin and the amount of drippage down the side where it's uniformly wet on the inside? ...I mean, we never were able to do that".

Theresa Carlson, a U.S. based Graphics and Imaging Specialist and active Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) member, has spent over a year analysing the footage. Working from a superior quality Beta copy of the film, offered to her by Ray Santilli, she reasons, "The special effects theory is certainly a possible explanation for what we see in this footage. But it's put together with considerable care and attention and is not a simple prank. The producers went to great lengths to try to convince someone that this was a real event. They went above and beyond what is needed for a simple money making scheme".

Ray Santilli remains confident; "I can tell you that every special effects company in town have contacted us to say that they can replicate it. I've not yet heard of any special effects companies that say they have shot it, however, if they have, please come forward and put us all out of our misery, and please show some evidence to prove it".

With the air of someone who knows, Santilli adds, "But I can tell you now, that's not going to happen".

* An Earthly Cause *

One person who claims to have the answer is Dr Thomas Jansen of the prestigious Ludwig-Maximilians-University, Munich. Der Spiegel reported that when Jansen saw the footage, he recognised it as depicting a "textbook case" of progeria, an exceedingly rare premature ageing disorder. Jansen believed he saw "all the typical identifying characteristics", a diagnosis reportedly endorsed by his colleagues at the University. Such was the conviction of the "one hundred percent watertight" case, that it was to be published in the Munich Weekly Medical Journal.

Jansen points out that in cases of progeria, only the skull bones grow normally, the growth of the other bones is retarded and the head is disproportionate.

A "beak-like" nose, stunted ears and mouth are all characteristics, the genitals are "not mature" and the stomach is swollen due to the manner in which the intestines form.

Polydactylism - extra digits - is also a feature of such rare deformities.

Jansen even has an explanation for the apparent absence of a navel. Because the subdermal tissue shrinks, the skin is pulled tight and the navel is not visible.

Whilst this appears to offer a possible explanation, there are a number of obvious problems with Jansen's theory.

As Theresa Carlson notes, "The reflected skin reveals no subcutaneous fat layer. While some diseases will diminish body fat considerably, the reflected skin shows no fat whatsoever. Also missing from this body are veins and arteries".

Furthermore, neither the internal organs or the brain are human and Jansen offers no explanation for the extensive leg damage, partially severed hand, the dark eye coverings, or the need for protective clothing.

He is presumably also unaware that there is another body to account for.

Carlson asks, "How would a girl suffering from a rare disease get hurt this badly and no one know about it? Do we have twins with the same disease or defects? That would be even more of a wonder, that they never made it into medical textbooks, or that someone didn't know".

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Re: Montreal Based UFO groups

From: **John Hayes** <john@ufoinfo.ftech.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 20:49:30 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 08:31:57 -0500
Subject: Re: Montreal Based UFO groups

At 01:21 04/03/97 -0500, Debby wrote:

>Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 16:32:04 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Debby Federico <federico@tor.hookup.net>
>Subject: Montreal Based UFO groups
>
>Does anyone know of a Montreal based UFO group?

Hi Debby,

I have the followinig information on my web site which should be up to date as it was sent directly to me by Quebec Isolite:

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I hope this is of some assistance to you.

John Hayes.

john@ufoinfo.ftech.co.uk

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: **FS337211@Sol.YorkU.CA**
Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 15:51:26 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 08:30:44 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

> Subject: AUFORA: Satanic UFOs Commentary
> Date: Mon, 3 Mar 97 19:19:46 -0700
> From: David Watanabe <davew@aufora.org>
> To: <aufora@spots.ab.ca>

> AUFORA News Update
> March 3rd, 1997 <http://www.aufora.org/>
> _____

> There has been much discussion regarding our recent story regarding
> comments by British Admiral Hill-Norton who stated that UFOs are
> decidedly satanic.

> AUFORA takes the stance that such judgements are foolish and serve to
> reflect poorly on the already discredited ufology field. We are truly
> concerned that ufologists are allowing themselves to fall into the deep
> pit of sensationalism. We are quite amazed that some members of the UFO
> community would choose to support Hill-Norton.

David,

Why not just continue to share UFO and related news stories without being so quick to attack the opinions of others and promoting your own views and personal biases as the obvious or correct ones? Do you really think you know more about UFOs or have more years of personal experience in the field than Admiral Hill-Norton has to dismiss his views (views which as you have seen some of your subscribers share) as "foolish"?

Historical UFO cases are not just those that Jan Aldrich and others have uncovered which go back several decades but also those that go back far earlier to Biblical times. It seems that in previous generations, our ancestors knew what UFOs were really all about and it is our present enlightened generation which is still struggling unsuccessfully to understand UFOs. Maybe it's because we refuse to even entertain some of the realities about this world we live in.

Nick Balaskas

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Hopkins & Mack - this weekend in Boston, Mass.

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Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 08:33:12 -0500
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Just passing this along...they apparently still have tickets. Mack is the PPWHP (Pulitzer Prize Winning Harvard Psychiatrist) who is arguably the most qualified person to support alien abductions (although the book was not Western science, particularly); without Hopkins, there would not be the modern version of alien abduction study...if he didn't write about an element of it first, he probably introduced the subject to the person who did.

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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John E. Mack, M.D., is a professor of psychiatry at The Cambridge Hospital, Harvard Medical School; a Pulitzer-Prize winner for his biography of T.E. Lawrence (Lawrence of Arabia), A Prince of Our Disorder; and co-author of a dozen other books and more than 150

scholarly articles. A revised edition of his most recent book, *Abduction: Human Encounters with Aliens*, was published in 1995.

Author and artist, Budd Hopkins has been investigating UFO abduction reports for more than twenty years. His latest book, *Witnessed: The True Story of the Brooklyn Bridge UFO Abductions*, published in 1996, follows his previous books on the subject: *Missing Time and Intruders*. As a painter and sculptor, Mr. Hopkins has received numerous awards; his work has been exhibited worldwide, including at the Whitney Museum in New York.

Christopher Lydon is host of the award winning current events talk show *The Connection*, broadcast on WBUR, Boston's National Public Radio news station. Mr. Lydon has spend more than thirty years in print, television, and radio journalism, contributing to *The New York Times*, *The Economist*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, and *Columbia Journalism Review*.

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: Joe McNally <fortean3@easynet.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 22:52:16 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 08:35:45 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

>> There has been much discussion regarding our recent story regarding
>> comments by British Admiral Hill-Norton who stated that UFOs are
>> decidedly satanic...

This idea has a surprising currency in the more "fringe" evangelical Christian circles. One of the first interviews I gave as an FT person was with an evangelical radio station in London; I found myself thrust into a studio with three of the oddest people I have ever encountered, ALL of whom believed that UFOs were a satanic phenomenon. There seem to be two main reasons why this is believed. Firstly, as many of those who favour a psychological explanation for UFOs have pointed out, there appears to be a degree of congruence between many accounts of abductions and many old accounts of encounters with fairies etc. Secondly, a number of people have suggested a link between UFOs and leys; many evangelical christians believe not only that leys exist, but that they are a manifestation of satanic or occult powers, and that UFOs must thus be a facet of these same powers.

Nothing in this post is necessarily the opinion of John Brown Publishing or Fortean Times. On a bad day, it might not even be mine.

Forteana-L: It's a *good* list.

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: **BOB SHELL** <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 04 Mar 97 18:06:15 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 08:34:28 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

> Subject: AUFORA: Satanic UFOs Commentary
> Date: Mon, 3 Mar 97 19:19:46 -0700
> From: David Watanabe <davew@aufora.org>
> To: <aufora@spots.ab.ca>

> There has been much discussion regarding our recent story regarding
> comments by British Admiral Hill-Norton who stated that UFOs are
> decidedly satanistic...

> ...His interpretation is one which has little logic behind it...

> We welcome your comments!
> David Watanabe
> AUFORA

Calling UFOs satanic is simply defining one unknown by reference to another unknown.

I think the UFO phenomenon goes back hundreds of thousands of years, and is the source of stories of angels and demons, as well as fairies, elves, leprechauns and all the rest. If stories of demons are based on close encounters, then UFOs are, by definition, satanic, but that doesn't tell us anything. Remember, the original word daemon was neutral, assigned neither good nor evil intent.

Bob

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Tue, 04 Mar 97 16:50:02 cst
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 10:38:39 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 11:28:26 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
>Reply-To: gsandow@prodigy.net
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>Vince Johnson has some harsh words for Bob Shell:

>> From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
>> Date: Mon, 03 Mar 97 12:09:15 cst
>> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>> Whereas Lindemann comments freely on a variety of UFO-related
>> issues, your comments on the AA video invariably conclude: "Yep,
>> seems real to me... every bit of it... just as Santilli says," no
>> matter how absurd.

>> Reminds me of the media whores the Tobacco Institute employs to
>> masterfully assert that cigarettes are harmless and not addicting
>> (I'm a smoker BTW). These guys are skilled professionals --
>> mainly because they can keep a straight face while presenting
>> an appearance of sincerity while espousing what they know to be
>> utter nonsense.

>> That's the difference between an objective commentator like
> Lindemann, and a PR flack such as yourself.

>PR flack?

>Excuse me...he's just stating his opinion, with which you happen to
>disagree.

>If he's repeatedly asked to appear on TV, he's entirely within his
>rights to ask for a consultant's fee -- even if he says things you
>think are wrong.

>Though you're really saying something strong. By calling him a "flack,"
>you're saying, in effect, is that Bob doesn't believe what he's saying,
>and just takes every chance he can to say it for money. What's the
>evidence for that? Apart, that is, from your apparent belief that
>nobody could believe what Bob does, and still be honest.

Hi Greg,

I suppose we've gone full circle from the "Linda" case to the AA
video. The question, of course, is one of credibility.

I have no problem with someone accepting payment for
participating in interviews, etc. However, when one's views seem
to correspond directly with the point-of-view of, and support the
position of whomever is ponying up the cash (no matter how
ridiculous), I'd say that was a tell-tale sign of a PR flack.

Does this mean that *every* time someone pays for an opinion,
that the opinion received will be the opinion the payer wants to
hear?

Not always, just in every similar case I've ever encountered -- from paid "expert witnesses" to political "spin doctors" to our aforementioned corporate PR flacks.

In regards to the AA video, from whom besides Santilli has Mr. Shell received any monies for his expert opinions? Also, Mr. Shell has admitted that he plans to publish a book on this caper.

Remember, there is no money to be made by exposing a hoax, but a lot of money can be (and has been) made by promoting a sensational hoax as the real thing.

Do you deny that any of this is true, or are you just willing to suspend all credulity in Mr. Shell's case?

Regards.

Vince

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Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

From: **Chris Rutkowski** <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 21:09:53 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 10:37:18 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

I've received some posts regarding my use of the term "energy dowsing" in describing Paul Devereux's work.

When I noted he was impressed with energy dowsing, I was referring to the energy allegedly detected by dowsers in their efforts to locate water and other items.

To wit, Paul stated:

> Our findings overall were that there is some evidence that a few
> dowsers can locate objects, water, etc.

However, he noted later that:

> so-called 'energy dowsers' are another matter.

and described such dowsers in rather unglowing terms. (Terms he usually has used with regard to myself.)

When *I* tested some dowsers, they claimed that they used "energy dowsing" to locate water and other things, employing copper rods and whatnot. To others, 'energy dowsing' has a different meaning, obviously.

Whereas some have chosen to call me careless or malicious for not making this distinction, I was using the terminology differently, I'm afraid, and for that, *I'M TERRIBLY SORRY!*

(Perhaps this has reinstated my manhood in Petey's eyes ...)

Of course, this has precious little to do with the actual topic which started this thread, namely the lack of scientific support for the TST and earth lights.

Now can we get on to other matters?

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Alfred's Odd Ode #102

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 08:56:06 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 14:02:41 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #102

Apology to MW #102 (For March 5, 1997)=20

Turned eyes to Hale-Bopp, watched it coast by last morning
And remembered the tales of woe, waste, and warning.
Anomaly photographed late last year,
For me, this morning, did not appear.

I=92ve heard all the sneering, and the cheerless scared cheering
Of scoundrels who look from the sky out of fearing
That white bread ideals, and convenient tradition
Are doomed to demise, the deep "6", and perdition!

I=92m not a believer, a kook, or a whacko.
I=92m not hated fringe, (or at least I don=92t think so <g>).
But, I=92ve got eyes that can see, and what they tell me, =20
Is that learning is earning the right to be free!

Free of a media that plucks at your genitals.
Free of a gub=92mint inbred, and congenital.=20
Free of the lawyer=92s consuming embrace,
Free of the meter man=92s cryptic displace.

Free of big business, the kind that destroys.
Free of *elite* who live *large*, and *enjoy*.
Free of the rightist who looks down or looks back.
Free from Rush Limbaugh, the rightist with =91back=92.

Free of the waste that contributes to blight,
Free of bad air, or waters not right.
Free of disease, and cruel wasting hungers,
Free from a quick buck that causes our blunders.

Free of the doctor that cheats on his taxes,
Free of those Normans, mad Goths, and the Saxons=20
Free from all those that would have us un-free
Freedom for you =96 a freedom you *see*!

So it matters not that there is no companion . . .
Reality=92s huge and when peeled like an onion . . .
Find more than=92s admitted in a xenophobic mainstream,
That caters to fear mongers, intolerance, and bad dreams.

Life is out there! It=92s in all the papers!
It drenches the media, and confounds all the experts!
But found in the sky above all our heads
And media mutes, or goes sullenly dead!

A professor at college in south Alabama:
Refusal worked out to the blossoming drama
He end runs the problem, and avoids all the strife,
He pronounces enigma "irrelevant to my life."

"So it=92s a mystery *some* don=92t want us to see."
"What has that to do with you, and with me?"
"How will the knowing broaden our scope,"
"When it comes from the fringe, that collection of dopes."

And singing in his chorus is the church, a sullen baritone.
The media shrieks soprano, a gelded limp castrato bone.

Gub`mint keeps a back beat of prevaricating whispers,
Together they=92re really quite a bunch, this team of bitchy sisters.

So together we sit, soft speak in your ear.
What is it, really, that causes your fear.
The answer, forthcoming, is not a big joke.
It=92s truth that brings tears not caused by smog \ smoke.

Persevere when it ain=92t pretty, or puts lumps inside your throat.
Push on through your false resistance, don=92t you falter, don=92t you
choke.
Confront new facts, and where they push you, don=92t succumb to idle fate.
It is IGNORANCE THAT CAUSES FEAR! Deny it, now! It=92s not to late!
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Read eclectically, ask yourself who has to pay so you can play, then
follow YOUR conscience. Support National Public Radio. Read a textbook.=20

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
fundamentalist's stake, and wondering if a celibate priesthood had
anything to do with it.

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Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 05 Mar 97 10:36:51 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 14:01:23 -0500
Subject: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

>Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 14:08:39 -0500
>From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
>Subject: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth
>To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>

James,

Thanks for putting together this concise and accurate summary. It is a useful contribution to the study of the film, which is more than I can say for most of the commentary. Permit me some minor clarification.

>Peter Milson, Marketing Planning Manager and Motion Picture and
>Television Imaging Manager, explained, "...and what he's done,
>obviously I can't blame him for this, is given me a bit of the leader,
>or given us a bit of the leader and said this is the same as the
>negative, this is from the same bit of film".

Mr. Milson has clearly shown in his letters that he is not technically knowledgeable, and this is a good example. He refers to "leader" when he is clearly talking about blank film. The two are NOT the same, and leader has no edge markings. Leader, if that is what it really was, could not be from the same "bit of film". Leader is blank film manufactured specifically for the purpose of splicing onto the actual film, and is what is threaded into projectors to allow time before the actual film reaches the film gate of the projector. Most leader has no photographic emulsion on it, and is incapable of recording edge markings.

Mr. Milson has consistently ignored letters from me asking real technical questions. Note his title: he is a marketing man. Kodak marketing people, in my experience, rarely have significant technical expertise in film.

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>blank strip. The film was forwarded to them by Tripple Entertainment,
>based in Denmark. It seems that Tripple Entertainment wished to have
>some film authenticated whilst negotiating with Ray Santilli's
>company.

Kodak in Denmark initially identified the film as definitely from 1947. This was due to a misprint in Kodak's printed material which showed the edge markings for 1947 as a solid triangle and square, and showed those for 1967 as a triangle and square drawn in outline. In fact, a solid triangle and square was used both years. A different scheme was adopted for edge markings in later years, so 1987 was never a possibility.

I do not know which type of film the copy material I have is on. It appears to be on a cellulose acetate propionate base, which was used only prior to 1957. The cameraman has reportedly claimed that these copies were made in 1947, and that certainly is a possibility. Equally, since print film has a long shelf life, these prints could have been made much later. So precise dating, in the absence of samples of the camera original footage, is impossible.

Everyone except the cameraman agrees that his tale of how he got the film is nonsense, so the stamps on the film boxes may well

have been put on at a later date. Or the film boxes may be total fabrication, since no one other than the cameraman has seen them. Personally, I find the way that the "Truman" label is so conveniently torn to be very suspicious.

Bob Shell

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: ad897@freenet.durham.org (John Koopmans)
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 12:54:03 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 14:05:22 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

> Subject: TV Show\$ & Credit for UFO Re\$earch
> Date: Tue, 4 Mar 97 13:42:29 -0600
> From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
> To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>

> As for "protecting" consumers, I say bullcrap! The trick,
> Gentelmen, and Ladies, is to maintain a base of truth upon
> which you stand. In my opinion if you stand for hardcore
> solid truth and evidence, then you stand a chance of getting
> out of this life leaving behind solid foundations for those
> who follow. If you are one who will do or say anything for
> a buck then you are UFOtrash and will deserve your nitch
> in Fredric L. Rice's archive:

> ~Pat~

Is anyone aware of any credible sites that provide a listing
of various UFO researchers/authors and an objective indication
or rating of their degree of credibility? If not, this might be
a worthwhile means of starting to remove some of the chaff from
the more serious and honest seekers of the UFO phenomena.

John K.

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Skywatch: Senators Attack Government Secrets

From: "SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL, INC." <skywatch@mail.phoenix.net>
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 02:33:47 -0700
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By RONALD POWERS
.c The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (March 4) - Far too many government documents are stamped 'secret' in a legacy of the Cold War that deprives the public and even policy-makers of vital information, a congressional commission said today.

The panel, headed by Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., decried the "culture of secrecy" that pervades the government. It said information should be classified only when it is necessary to protect national security.

Classification should be kept to "an absolute minimum," said the Commission on Protecting and Reducing Government Secrecy.

The commission, which spent two years studying the problem, said all this secrecy is actually a little understood form of government regulation.

"Americans are familiar with the tendency to overregulate in other areas. What is different with secrecy is that the public cannot know the extent or the content of regulation," said the commission, which found that 2 million federal officials and 1 million in industries working with the government have authority to keep documents and data secret.

Moynihan, at a briefing for reporters, said the culture of secrecy has outlived the Cold War. He called it a problem endemic to bureaucracies, not just the result of anti-Soviet paranoia.

"You see secrecy spreading all across our government to places where it has no business being," he said. "There is no department in the government that doesn't have an intelligence branch, and they're all stamping things secret."

Rep. Larry Combest, R-Texas, former chairman of the House Intelligence Committee and vice chairman of the commission, said, "It's easier to classify. Then you don't have to deal with it."

But Combest cautioned that secrecy still has its place. When national security is at stake, "if we're going to err, it's err on the secrecy side," he said.

The commission, which also included Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., was unanimous in its recommendations.

White House press secretary Mike McCurry said the lawmakers briefed President Clinton on Monday on their recommendations. Making information more accessible and open "is something many of us here believe is important," McCurry said.

The commission said the all-too-frequent 'leaks' of official

secrets by government functionaries tend to degrade public service by "giving a huge advantage to the least scrupulous players."

Millions of documents are needlessly classified each year, it said, forcing the government to spend billions of dollars each year to keep from the American people information that should be public.

Frequently, the report said, material is classified to hide political information, not secrets. And sometimes the secrecy system can become so constrictive that information is withheld even from decision-makers.

The commission recommended legislation defining what should be kept classified and creation of a National Declassification Center to oversee federal policy on official secrets.

"A culture of openness will never develop within government until the present culture of secrecy is restrained by statute," said Moynihan.

The study now goes to the Senate and House intelligence committees for consideration.

The Defense Department produces 53 percent of the classified documents and the CIA another 30 percent; the Justice Department produces 10 percent, the State Department and the Energy Department 3 percent each, and all other government agencies are responsible for the remaining 1 percent, the report said.

In November the government said the amount of national security information it declassified and opened to the public reached an all-time high in fiscal 1995, and the number of actions to classify information was at a record low.

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 05 Mar 97 11:51:27 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 14:04:04 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

>Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 22:52:16 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Joe McNally <fortean3@easynet.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

Joe McNally of Fortean Times wrote:

>> There has been much discussion regarding our recent story regarding
>> comments by British Admiral Hill-Norton who stated that UFOs are
>> decidedly satanistic...

>This idea has a surprising currency in the more "fringe"
>evangelical Christian circles. One of the first interviews
>I gave as an FT person was with an evangelical radio station
>in London; I found myself thrust into a studio with three of
>the oddest people I have ever encountered, ALL of whom
>believed that UFOs were a satanic phenomenon. There seem to
>be two main reasons why this is believed. Firstly, as many of
>those who favour a psychological explanation for UFOs have
>pointed out, there appears to be a degree of congruence
>between many accounts of abductions and many old accounts of
>encounters with fairies etc. Secondly, a number of people have
>suggested a link between UFOs and leys; many evangelical
>christians believe not only that leys exist, but that they are
>a manifestation of satanic or occult powers, and that UFOs must
>thus be a facet of these same powers.

Tell me about it. Since getting involved with UFOs again two years ago the strangest thing I have been involved with was when I appeared on Ollie North's syndicated radio program. (Ollie's somewhat of a UFO believer, BTW). This is a call-in show, and many of the callers were telling me I was in league with Satan for saying that UFOs were most likely real! One caller claimed to be an active Air Force flyer, said he had seen UFOs many times, and they were "pure evil" straight from hell.

This is far from being a recent thing. My wife's grandmother told me that UFOs were satanic and flown by demons around 25 years ago, and she had the "Christian" books to prove it!

Bob

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Re: Skywatch: Senators Attack Government Secrets

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 15:44:14 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 16:49:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Skywatch: Senators Attack Government Secrets

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Hello all,

Ahhh, finally something comes out of Washington DC that we can *all* support! It 's time to e-mail our senators and congressmen in support of this initiative. And it's about time too!

Every once in a vermillion moon those guys that represent us do something right. Let's support them "vigorously" as JFK used to say, when they do.

"SOMETIMES" the system works!

John Velez

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Globe & Mail article - Swiss UFO Convention

From: werd@interlog.com (Drew Williamson)
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 15:06:43 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 16:46:42 -0500
Subject: Globe & Mail article - Swiss UFO Convention

SOURCE: Globe and Mail - Toronto, p.A14
Canada's National Newspaper
DATE: Friday, February 28, 1997
SECTION: In Addition

The cross emblazoned on his forehead was barely discernible as Giorgio Bongiovanni stood in the dimly lit hall, his back to a giant screen at the UFO World Congress in Zurich. "This is a fleet of UFOs," the Italian medium declared to a rapt audience of about 100 as he gestured to a string of V-shaped lights he said were photographed near a Russian military facility in the city of Tver. The unidentified flying objects may well have reached Earth via a "dimensional gate" through which spaceships made of plasma materialize, he said. He said he obtained the photos from Russian military officers. Organizers billed the congress as a leading gathering of experts, who presented talks on abductions by aliens, passed on messages from survivors of UFO crashes, detailed artificial structures on Mars and pondered the mysteries of the pyramids.
-Reuters

Drew Williamson

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 97 15:22:19 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 16:52:09 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

That old darkroom-hypo guzzler Robert Shell had this to say about the mnemonic demonic.

>This is far from being a recent thing. My wife's grandmother >told me that UFOs were satanic and flown by demons around >25 years ago, and she had the "Christian" books to prove it!

>Bob

Seems all, well most all, religious histories mention UFO in some symbolic format. The ones that don't weren't written to begin with but the oral history is even more interesting. The Dogon come to mind.

If the Roswell crash were in fact demons that miscalculated and had a head-on resulting in their untimely demise, and if a few of them survived and were indeed carted off into the secret domicile of the US black government, then it stands to reason that we'd wind up in the fix we are in now what with the demonic influence. Considering the state of the US now I have come to believe that Al Gore and Bill Clinton both are cloned products from the survivors of the Roswell crash.

~Pat~

... EARTH FIRST! We'll strip mine the other planets later.

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 15:08:07 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 16:48:05 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

> From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
> Date: Tue, 04 Mar 97 16:50:02 cst
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

> I have no problem with someone accepting payment for
> participating in interviews, etc. However, when one's views seem
> to correspond directly with the point-of-view of, and support the
> position of whomever is ponying up the cash (no matter how
> ridiculous), I'd say that was a tell-tale sign of a PR flack.

> In regards to the AA video, from whom besides Santilli has Mr.
> Shell received any monies for his expert opinions? Also, Mr.
> Shell has admitted that he plans to publish a book on this caper.

> Do you deny that any of this is true, or are you just willing to
> suspend all credulity in Mr. Shell's case?

Bob says he's an active consultant in the photography field generally.
He makes far more money from that work than he has from this cursed
film. He'd have a lot to lose if he prostituted himself as flagrantly as
you seem to think he's doing.

Moreover, he strikes me as an objective guy. Whether you agree with his
opinion or not is another story, but why not just stick to the evidence,
and refrain from calling names?

Greg Sandow

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From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 16:09:44 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 16:50:51 -0500
Subject: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 14:08:39 -0500
From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Subject: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth
To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>

James,

First, my compliments to James on a fine piece of work.

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> >blank strip. The film was forwarded to them by Tripple Entertainment,
> >based in Denmark. It seems that Tripple Entertainment wished to have
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> >company.

I spoke with Mike Anderson of Tripple Entertainment on Thanksgiving Day 1995. He informed me that they did not have a blank piece of film but something he called countdown footage. There was a small language problem and the telephone line was not that clear... but what I understood from Mr. Andersson was that Santilli provided him with footage that was black and white and had a test pattern on it. I never did speak to the gentleman at Kodak Copenhagen due to the language barrier.

Mr. Andersson though was quite convinced that the film was genuine as Mr. Santilli had also provided him with some FBI documents that said there was a cover-up. I assumed those documents to be similar to the ones that were available at the May 5 showing. Andersson said he returned the footage to Ray Santilli.

Not that any of this really matters and I was not even going to mention it... but since Bob had it so nicely pasted in... I decided to offer my findings in that matter.

Rebecca

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Re: Kaufmann's 'Roswell' Report

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 16:44:11 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 16:44:11 -0500
Subject: Re: Kaufmann's 'Roswell' Report

Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 14:08:15 -0500
From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Kaufmann's 'Roswell' Report
To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>

Regarding,

>From: Neil Morris <Neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 09:47:16 -0500
>Subject: Kaufmann's "Roswell" Report

Neil commented:

>Re Kaufmann's report as shown on the above program, from memory I
>seem to remember the date on the report as being July 26th, or
>therabouts...

Neil,

I've appended a composite graphics file showing the letterheading on which the report is written, together with Kaufmann's diagram of the honeycomb-like structure, claimed to be on the underside of the craft.

The "report", or at least the one page shown in "Incident at Roswell" also has a drawing of one of the bodies allegedly recovered. The very basic line drawing shows a head/shoulders front and side profile of a child-like figure. Unfortunately, the reproduction in the documentary is very faint and it's not legible as a small graphics file.

Just to confirm, the typed reference at the top of the letterhead appears to read:

S1CP/JAM/sfm

and the date seems to have "2 1947" typed, with a handwritten addition which could be "26 Jul 1947".

At the top left hand side of the page is an address which has been mainly blacked out and all that is visible on screen is:

RAAF
oswell, New Mexico

The top third of the report is consistent with a letter sent by the air field's HQ to someone stationed at the base.

The remaining two-thirds of the page consists of the sketches of the craft and beneath them the sketches of the child-like figure, then a line drawing of twin "mountains" with what could be, "TWIN PEAKS WEST TO SOUTH" written above them.

And that's basically it, there's no introduction or report as such, just these drawings.

James.

Re: Kaufmann's 'Roswell' Report

Attachment: kaufman2.jpg

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Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

From: RobIrving@aol.com
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 19:48:01 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 23:37:38 -0500
Subject: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

Re:
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> some FBI documents that said there was a cover-up. I
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> were available at the May 5 showing.

Before anyone rushes headlong into investigation as a result of reading your post, the papers handed out at that screening are familiarly known as the MJ-12 papers.

Rob Irving

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Fake Documents Come to Light

From: Ed Stewart <egs@netcom.com>
Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 19:37:32 -0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 23:39:12 -0500
Subject: Fake Documents Come to Light

In the upcoming Robert G. Todd's SPOT REPORT No. 7 to accompany the latest issue of JUST CAUSE published by Barry Greenwood, Todd lays out compelling evidence that some "government" documents, that up to now have been accepted by most of the UFO community as genuine since they were allegedly "found" in the National Archives, are in fact fakes.

Robert Todd's eight page paper titled "Bill Moore and the Roswell Incident: The True Believers Deceived" provides devastating evidence that the following three documents "released" in 1985 have been presented to the UFO community and circulated by various UFO organizations, as well as championed by various name UFO researchers, as authentic when in fact they are distorted versions of the true originals:

1. The 30 October 1947 cover letter from Air Force Brig. Gen. George F. Schulgen to CSGID entitled: "Intelligence Requirements on Flying Saucer Type Aircraft" and its two enclosures,
2. Intelligence Requirements, and
3. Draft of Collection Memorandum

Needless to say, the above revelations are of the gravest of consequence to the integrity of the field of Ufology and in Robert Todd's words:

"...should be of grave concern to everybody with an interest in the truth. If we can no longer rely on the authenticity of documents housed at National Archives facilities because the files have been contaminated by con men and zealots, then the subject of UFOs is in critical condition..."

The entire SPOT REPORT No. 7 will be included with the release later this month of JUST CAUSE available by subscription from CAUS, Box 176, Stoneham, MA. 02180. Also available directly from Barry Greenwood, co-author of the book "Clear Intent", will be photocopies of the genuine Schulgen cover letter and its genuine enclosures. It is recommended that requesters enclose \$2.00 to help defray the costs of copying and postage.

Ed Stewart

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Ed Stewart - egs@netcom.com - | So Man, who here seems principal alone,
"Here is          | Perhaps acts second to some sphere
unknown.          |
Something Going On!" ,>'?'<, | Touches some wheel, or verges to some
goal,             |
-Salvador Freixedo- ( O O ) | 'Tis but a part we see, and not a whole.
-----ooOO-(_)---OOo----- Alexander Pope, Essay on Man-----
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Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 23:51:48 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 00:22:41 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

Dear List members,

I wish to acknowledge Chris Rutowski's apology re his misrepresentation of me. I think what he was trying to say in his rambling and grudging way was "I 'm sorry, Paul. I got it wrong." Although he did not address the full nature of his slur, I'll let it pass, and I'll overlook the further jibes he managed to insert into his apology.

As for getting on with matters - well, it was neither The Duke of Mendoza nor I who introduced this irrelevant and personalised digression into dowsing!

And I believe, as it stands, I left a range of EL/TST questions and points for Chris to respond to, but he chose to retire on 'philosophical' grounds.

On with the list! May all your abductions be merry.

Over & out,
Paul

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'Aliens' Help Sell Software?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 09:19:18 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 09:19:18 -0500
Subject: 'Aliens' Help Sell Software?

From:

<http://www.gina.com/wire/tn/tn970114.htm>

TENAX DENIES UFO GROUPS' CLAIM THAT VORTEX
FIRST RELEASED EXAMPLE OF SPACE ALIEN
SOFTWARE

03/05/97 -- OLYMPIA, WA -- Denying reports by European UFO groups that Vortex software in anyway derives from work on crashed space ships, Tenax Software Engineering today announced that it is releasing the web version of the software for general use in spite of fears by some groups that this release is the beginning of a world domination scheme.

"Our Cornix applet and the Vortex application are NOT the result of any work undertaken on alien spacecraft." said Cliff High, president of Tenax Software Engineering. "We want to be very clear about this. Vortex and the MARS technology are purely the work of local (earth) boys. No alien technology is involved. We never at any time consciously modeled our work after any example of space alien information delivery systems."

"It is true that Vortex software (and the web version, Cornix) allow humans to read at phenomenal speeds from computer screens (up to 2000 words per minute for Vortex and 1000 words per minute for Cornix), but these speeds are the result of careful engineering of the software to harmonize with the biomechanical systems of the human mind/body and do not relate in any way to secret work on crashed alien spacecraft by the government or any private agency." High went on to state. "We categorically deny any involvement with any group investigating any alleged crashed alien ships."

"Our software success in augmenting human capabilities is the direct result of interdisciplinary research into human orthotics and the superior skills of our programming staff". High went on to say, " The success of Vortex software for users of all reading abilities is the result of a unique and patent pending view of the next generation of computing, and NOT the theft of space alien intellectual property."

Further statements deny that the general release of the Cornix applet to the world wide web community in any way are a danger to the peace and freedom of planet earth. "The only risks to using our software are the potential for greater understanding and comprehension in a shorter period of time." Cliff High stated in response to the suggestion that the Cornix applet will subvert the world. " It is true that webvertisers may have something to fear, but the general reading population is safe except for the possibility of entertaining a new thought".

In effort to quash any thoughts that the Cornix applet will alter humanity more significantly than fast food or indoor plumbing, Tenax has made a standing offer to supply a review copy of the product to any credentialed member of the press. Such copies can be obtained by contacting Tenax at 360.866.1686 or through email at chigh@halcyon.com. "We'll let the press make up their own

minds, is this space alien technology or just bald earth guys with a bit of sharp thinking?"

Background - Vortex

Representing a new classification of software known as "orthotics" or "human augmentation software", Vortex takes the computer user where no other software dares to go... to the limits of the mind. Using a unique patent pending display and intelligent agent technology, Vortex powers reading into the next millennium. By separating legibility factors from the underlying document, Vortex provides the user with complete control over the presentation of the document contents. Vortex augments every readers' ability.

By harmonizing with the biomechanical aspects of the human body Vortex delivers a new form of information transfer to the computer user.

Vortex 3.0 is the Reading Power Tool for home, office or on the road. Even spies are power reading with Vortex. (Ask us about the CIA connection.) Vortex 3.0 not only features speeds to 2000 words per minute and reactive text (the ability to react to what it is helping you read), font sizes to 3000 points, custom color control, and reactive punctuation, it now also works with your MS Internet Mail or Internet News Reader, or your Eudora Email program. Vortex is in the process of being made compatible with other email programs.

Vortex 3.0 Gold retails for \$79.95 and can be obtained directly from Tenax Software Engineering at 1-800-966-1686.

<http://www.halcyon.com/chigh/vortex.html>

Background - Cornix

Cornix is an internet version of a new type of software called 'orthotics', also known as 'Human Augmentation Software'. A java applet, Cornix allows visitors to web pages to read the text contents with ease and comfort at speeds up to 1000 words per minute in font sizes as large as 200 points.

A java implementation of Vortex, the Power reading tool for computer screens, Cornix is available for download and free use during the beta phase. Delivering the patent pending technology from Vortex, Cornix is easily embedded in web pages, and provides any web page with a unique presentation. Designed for close integration with the bio-mechanisms of the human body, Cornix provides a completely new information transfer experience for the page visitor. Using the latest in mind-brain research, Cornix, like Vortex, will deliver a new level of skill to readers of all levels.

Cornix will be available at: Demo:

<http://www.halcyon.com/chigh/corndemo.html>

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Re: Peter Brookesmith on Tectonic Strain Theory

From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 09:53:39 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 23:37:47 -0500
Subject: Re: Peter Brookesmith on Tectonic Strain Theory

>Date: 14 Feb 97 07:41:28 EST
>From: Peregrine Mendoza <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
>To: Errol Bruce Knapp <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: Peter Brookesmith on Tectonic Strain Theory

>If Persinger's UFO data was flawed, start again. Meanwhile there is
>plenty of evidence that quakes generate weird light effects. Light was
>a form of EM radiation, last time I looked. If quakes make lights, why
>should less dramatic wriggles in the Earth not do the same?

It seems reasonable that less dramatic wiggles <grin> would but that has to be proven.

>The only
>question is whether "unexplained" UFO reports and tectonically-
>generated lights can be linked. It strikes me as unlikely in the
>extreme that some natural lights would not be reported as UFOs and
>remain in the unsolved tray - and there they will stay as long as
>ufologists pretend natural lights don't exist or are somehow
>"obviously" separate from UFOs.

But "some natural lights" isn't enough and the linkage needs to be very very solid.

>From my little reading I think the on-paper linkage is rather solid. Seismic activity (sometimes) causes luminous phenomena, Some people see it sometime (and even occasionally report it). The after-the-fact correlation between seismic events and UFO reports is enough to strongly suggest there's something to this. But its all after the fact work.

What normally comes next in this type of work is developpment of a formal hypothesis and field (or other) testing if that hypothesis. That means not after-the-fact on-paper correlations and related work but as-it-happens in the field work.

>As for picking apart, at this stage, the differences between ball
>lightning, ELs, quake lights and the rest: I am strangely reminded of
>the two, three or was it four? apparently distinct viruses that were
>once bitterly competing for title of HIV - and when polymerase chain
>reaction came along they turned out to be all the same thing. There
>are lots of other lessons,too, in that little saga for everybody.

Hahaha!!! Nice example.

Thanks, take care.
John.

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Re: Article on Mutilations in Feb. GQ (Synopsis)

From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 09:53:39 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 23:39:24 -0500
Subject: Re: Article on Mutilations in Feb. GQ (Synopsis)

>Date: 14 Feb 97 10:15:36 EST
>From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
>To: BlindCopyReceiver;
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Article on Mutilations in Feb. GQ (Synopsis)

>I read the article by Jack Hitt (appropriate name!) several weeks
>ago and decided to refrain from comment. Linda is a friend, and
>an honest researcher, and the article is really nothing more than
>an extended ego bloat by Mr. Hitt and the classic ploy of blaming
>the messenger because you do not like the message.

Honest researcher?

Is this the same Linda Howe who told me some years ago (at a MUFON conference) that at least several alien implants had been surgically recovered and were currently being studied at various institutions including MIT. I asked her for details and she told me she wasn't in a position to divulge details. She did offer that there would be no point in continuing to search for alien implants in abductees because the aliens had switched to an implant technology that was of organic material so that it wouldn't be detectable by X-ray or MRI. I mentioned that it was amazingly coincidental that the aliens would start using an undetectable implant at the same time we humans started trying to detect them, and I asked her how she knew this since they were undetectable. She gave me a stare, turned and walked away without saying anything else.

Is this the same Linda Howe who just a couple of years ago, during a private telephone conversation, told me about late breaking news regarding a crop circle event that allegedly had occurred only days before in the Midwest. (The crop circle allegedly appeared in a farmer's field, was very complex and detailed, included UFO sightings, the military arrived and burned his field, etc.)

Almost immediately I called a friend who lives near Chicago and who was in a better position to verify the details. His report was that no such crop circle event, no such crop circle, no such sightings, no nothing at all had occurred.

Are we talking about the same Linda Howe???

Thanks, take care.
John.

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Re: Earth lights controversy: back to basics

From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 09:53:38 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 23:36:08 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth lights controversy: back to basics

>Date: Thu, 13 Feb 1997 11:20:47 -0800
>From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Earth lights controversy: back to basics

>Let's for the sake of argument say that UFOs are the only thing we can
>hang our hat on here. Then, does it not make sense to get the best data
>possible, and go where that data is located?

Sure it does.

>Also, the implications here are that we might have an earthquake
>predictor. Should we not expect some one to be tearing through UFO files
>to find the supporting data?

The next best thing to trapping an earthlight in a bottle would be to be
there and record it. That supports the predictability aspect of any
scientific hypothesis.

Thanks, take care.
John.

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: RobIrving@aol.com
Date: Thu, 6 Mar 1997 14:50:47 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 23:42:58 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

Re:

> Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 22:52:16 +0000
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: Joe McNally <fortean3@easynet.co.uk>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

> This idea has a surprising currency in the more "fringe" evangelical
> Christian circles.

Currency indeed. I wee on your nambi-pambi dribblings.

The very eminent Admiral Hill-Norton is entirely correct, as well he would be. UFOs are Satanic. This was PROVED beyond a shade of doubt at the trials of Satan's crones in the Colonies, that year of Our Lord 1692. How else do we explain so many EVIDENCED REPORTS of WITNESSES to nocturnal visits by the Devil's representatives, exhibiting every paralysing similarity to modern-day 'Greys'? HAHA! Greys indeed! Have we forgotten already that Satan has the power to present Himself in any shape or form deemed necessary. Be not fooled by those misguided Congregationalists McNally and the slovenly Mendoza. THEY OUGHT TO BE HANGED for all their evil rantings (Mendoza has yet to comment, but, Duke or not, his silence is peculiarly suspicious). The way they and the dowser Devereux hide their smiles behind beards. MORE PROOF: we will see no mention of the TRUTH when their book (not McNally's har har) finally crawls out of its bog. Time will again show such DEVIATION FROM THE NORM to be an errand into the wilderness. But TIME IS RUNNING OUT. They ought to be shaved and hanged or otherwise dealt with at the earliest, as the good Harry dealt with the witch Randles. What say others?

Rob Irving

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Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 97 09:43:33 cst
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 23:44:48 -0500
Subject: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>Date: Wed, 05 Mar 1997 15:08:07 -0500 From: Greg Sandow
><gsandow@prodigy.net> Reply-To: gsandow@prodigy.net
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>>From Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
>>Date: Tue, 04 Mar 97 16:50:02 cst
>> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: TV Shows & Credit for UFO Research Work

>> I have no problem with someone accepting payment for
>> participating in interviews, etc. However, when one's views seem
>> to correspond directly with the point-of-view of, and support
>> the position of whomever is ponying up the cash (no matter how
>> ridiculous), I'd say that was a tell-tale sign of a PR flack.

>> In regards to the AA video, from whom besides Santilli has
>>Mr. Shell received any monies for his expert opinions? Also,
>>Mr.> Shell has admitted that he plans to publish a book on this caper.

>> Do you deny that any of this is true, or are you just willing
>>to suspend all credulity in Mr. Shell's case?

>Bob says he's an active consultant in the photography field generally.
>He makes far more money from that work than he has from this cursed
>film. He'd have a lot to lose if he prostituted himself as flagrantly
>as you seem to think he's doing.

Agreed.

>Moreover, he strikes me as an objective guy. Whether you agree with his
>opinion or not is another story, but why not just stick to the evidence,
>and refrain from calling names?

Sorry Greg, this isn't about "calling names."

These guys (Santilli & Co.) are insulting my intelligence by expecting me
to believe their evasions, ever-changing explanations -- and yes,
outright lies.

You didn't challenge my assertions about the tendency for paid witnesses
to follow the party line of whomever is doing the paying. Again, do you
deny that this is true, and if so, why then are you willing to suspend
credulity in this case? I can't see how **any** of the public statements
made by any of the players in this scam could inspire your trust.

Regards,

Vince

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Protoplanetary disk around binary star?

From: **John Joseph Mercieca** <mufor@maltanet.net>
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 17:04:13 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 23:41:07 -0500
Subject: Protoplanetary disk around binary star?

>From Nature 6 March 1997 (vol.386, p.52):

A candidate dust disk surrounding the binary stellar system BD+31=B0643.
by Kalas J. and Jewitt N.=20

The abstract can be found at=20

<http://www.nature.com>

See also the comment by J. Lissauer (p. 18) and a few short comments in
ScienceNOW (<http://sciencenow.sciencemag.org/html/970305a.htm>):

`Long before astronomers detected possible planets around other stars, a hint that they might exist came from the 1984 discovery of a dusty ring around the star beta Pic, perhaps the raw material of a future planetary system. Now two astronomers have found a second dusty ring, this one around a binary star system. The discovery, reported in Nature, heartens planet hunters by suggesting that the first ring wasn't a fluke.

Using the telescope on Hawaii's Mauna Kea, astronomers Paul Kalas and David Jewitt (U. of Hawaii) observed two bright blue stars about 1000 light-years away. After filtering out the radiation streaming from the stars themselves, they saw a faint band of light surrounding the darkened patch of sky. The duo concluded that it's probably a ring of dust reflecting the starlight.

"It's an important observation if they've found it," says astronomer Chris Burrows of the STScI. "It's something people have been looking for for several years ... but I want to see it confirmed." Dana Backman (Franklin and Marshall College) agrees: "I tend to believe it's a disk. ... It's hard to believe that there's such symmetry accidentally, but it still needs to be confirmed. I'm rooting for the disk to be real."

The dust may be the stars' primordial gas and dust cloud that just "stayed around for a while," perhaps as raw material of planets, says Jack Lissauer (NASA Ames). But Kalas argues that's unlikely. The binary stars are about 1 million years old, he says, so their radiation would have had plenty of time to sweep away any remaining primordial dust. Instead, Kalas suggests that the dust ring is replenished by collisions between small planets. "These are not disks where planets form; they are a consequence of planet formation," he says.

Either way, the finding "reinforces the belief that planets are quite abundant," Lissauer says. If binary stars could have planets, he says, then out there could be planetary systems "not even imagined by science-fiction authors."

- end -

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Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

From: **Graham William Birdsall** <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
Date: Thu, 6 Mar 1997 12:13:20 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 23:46:30 -0500
Subject: Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

Don Ecker wrote:

>From: DONFEII@aol.com [Don Ecker]
>Date: Thu, 27 Feb 1997 02:49:26 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>>What is equally important to recognise is that the article surfaced only
>>weeks after Dr. Wolf had spoken on radio in the United States - until that
>>time nobody had ever heard of the man. Had we not published the transcript
>>of his interview with James Courant, would we be any the wiser? Wolf could
>>have gone on to establish himself as yet another mysterious figure able to
>>pop out of the woodwork at any given time.

>>Best regards,
>>Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]

>Not exactly on the mark. Wolf appeared on my national radio program
>"UFOs Tonite!" on or around 1993.

>Don Ecker
>UFO Magazine
>Los Angeles, CA.

Hi Don, I guess news travels even slower than I originally thought!

Best regards,

Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]

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Comet 'Cover Up'?

From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
Date: Thu, 6 Mar 97 23:06:58 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 01:10:48 -0500
Subject: Comet 'Cover Up'?

Subject: Comet Cover Up?
Sent: 3/5/97 10:27 PM
Received: 3/6/97 12:40 PM
From: Golden Media Communications, rama@goldenmedia.com
To: pparri@republic.net

The Great Comet Coverup?

I'm not an astronomer, not even an amateur. I'm not a religious or new age fanatic either. Just a concerned citizen wanting to get a straight story about what to really expect. Are we on a collision course? Of course not by all credible estimates. But this comet has already changed radically on passage by admission of visual evidence of the comet going through extremely significant changes as it continues it's course. Photographic evidence from more than a half dozen independent sources (NASA HST, IAU reports, amateurs) seem to confirm the realities that this comet is SERIOUS BUSINESS.

And so, it seems, there is a massive, so far pretty successful coverup of the facts about this comet's passage for really only one purpose. And it is NOT because there's aliens coming in a big spaceship full of friendly heavenly host humans shepherding a comet out of our way for us. Nor a ship full of hungry reptilian overlords of darkness that want soul-food for lunch. That is all ridiculous. Don't count your chickens before they hatch. Go back to the 'rapturous' delusions and channeled towers of Babel. And the coverup is NOT because HB or some of its companion objects are going to hit the earth. That's virtually impossible. And it's NOT because HB is the biblical Wormwood and the Heavenly Hosts are coming to beam us up. Make me barf. Millennial madness abounds!

No, THE single purpose for hiding the truth is that world panic and mass hysteria serves no valuable purpose, especially if most probably nothing bad is going to happen. If a HB induced doomsday were coming and we were about to face dinosaur like extinction, I would damn well want to know about it ahead of time, and weather the additional pain of the hysteria and social breakdown, rather than get extinguished without warning. Isn't that a more morally dignified approach than keeping us asleep to the facts in the name of social compassion, letting all us sheep nap right into oblivion? Or should we allow our social fabric to just disintegrate needlessly in an instant just so people can be scared to death and hurt each other for a while, in response to fear feeding fear about a huge rogue magnetic comet possibly threatening Earth? And then, like the 1930's radio broadcast War of the Worlds, we all go nuts for nothing?

Foreknowledge of a coming fatal passage effect of a comet, like a Jupiter SL9 impact, one would hope to God our leaders would feel compelled to publically announce. However, if the passage is probably going to be harmless, even though we are not certain of our safety, reporting all the truth about Hale-Bopp would do absolutely nothing to help things. Its just going to scare a lot of people and fuel intense millennial madness. The bottom line is that with our current social millennialism brewing as it already is, this would be perfect fodder for societal convulsion which

might well end up with a lot of people needlessly hurt in the process. And if heaven forbid its a planetoid sized alien spaceship, our national security religion would do EVERYTHING in its power to keep a lid on it. Short of black ops that hurt people I would hope.

On the other hand, all we need right now is a supposed rogue asteroid like metal rocky magnetic comet interacting with the Sun in a way that causes an immense electromagnetic ignition of a solar flare stronger than the one that recently knocked out a satellite or two. Is it a cometoid or an astercomet? Whats with these spires.

The internet has become a vehicle for parading all kinds of strange fanatic marginalia as good looking verity and fact, ready to scoop up the attention and belief of the gullible information surfer. But if there were truly a massive coverup happening, the internet WOULD be a logical place to see the leaks coalescing into a very suggestive picture. If any crystals of truth were to start to form from these comman man gatherings and sharings of information, it is entirely respectable to believe the coverup leak plugger mavens would try to marshal a dirty debunking ridicule campaign to discredit the uncontrolled information. Darn right. Plug it good. And fast.

For example, in the case of Chuck Shramek's extremely suggestive comet photo(s), the coverup mavens would have needed to not only bring out authoritative dismissals of his photo's in five different ways to heaven, but move quickly to shift the news issue focal point elsewhere. The shift-the-focus operation begins, by giving a prepped fake comet with companion object photo to Courtney Brown of Farsight Institute, whose remote viewing reports on the "companion object" to Hale-Bopp have raised coverup maven ire, so when Brown finally reveals the photo he got from the 'good' astronomical community source, fakery proof is trumpeted out and the 'news dismissal' threshold is achieved. Brown looks bad, Farsight take a credibility licking, and everybody forgets that the Chuck photo was never debunked as being 'fake', Chuck is just too reptuable for that. No, the Chuck photo debunking ops stopped at claiming 'misintereptation'. The real controversy, at least as far as the NY Times article was concerned, was over, since the story was now cute enough and stupid enough to be labeled millenial madness as usual.

An unusually large cometary body possessing a very strong magnetic field that probably won't directly or indirectly harm us has come into our solar system. However, the highly unusual nature of it, especially in the wake of the Shoemaker-Levy9 devastation a couple years back, is suspicious and possible threatening enough to warrant top secret lockdown. It simply must be concealed from the public for the sake of not just national security, even global security, but for personal security. If people even were to generally begin to suspect this almost planetary sized body might be dangerous, complete and utter pandemonium would ensue, no question. Don't you watch the Asteroid movies, I mean documentaries? It's unconscionable to reveal the very scary truth when it is entirely probable that this whole thing will just fly by and no one will be the worse for wear. Well, except for those in-the-know astronomers, nerds, military, Pope and politician or two that are sweating it out for the rest of us while we get to have life go on as usual. Oh and yes, a few amateur astronomers who get to receive lots of flack for being flies in the news whitewash ointment.

The huge, rocky, magnetic, RF active multi-body affair that is flying through our solar system right now under the banner of "Hale-Bopp" will in all probability not be any problem at all for us on planet Earth, either directly or indirectly. So why should we all get the whole public needlessly scared to death and behaving hysterically when everything we know tells us it probably won't be a problem at all? If there is only a 1 in 10 chance there will be some kind of cosmic pain from this affair for us, then better to keep our damn mouths shut. The scientists in the know on this one are still sweating it out precisely because they don't know for sure what effects HB will really have on the solar system.

They saw what happened to HB during it's Jupiter encounter. They are sure the thing has an immense magnetic field. They know it could mess with the sun's electromagnetic stability. In fact, it is only because we are supposedly on the sun activity 20 year

lowpoint that we are not as frightened as we might be. Yet we don't know if the recent seasonally anomalous strong solar flare that knocked out a satellite might have been related to HB's passage into the solar system.

All the real scientific speculation about what might happen is potentially extremely frightening and inflammable to public opinion. I personally do not envy the IAU / NASA people who have been sworn to secrecy in the name of national/international security on this one. They have to watch this thing in full detailed resolution. They have to nervously speculate the causal probabilities at each juncture this damn thing does something else that is anomalous. They have to think about doomsday that probably won't happen, while the rest of us can get a good nights rest.

What finally got me wasn't all the pictures of companion objects. So what! Even if there are companion objects it's highly unlikely Earth's gravity or magnetic field will ever see any of them, given the current cometary path.

No, what got me was:

(1) the undeniability of the lack of images of the comet coming from any authorities, in an insidious image resolution losing fashion. And the images that are coming are poorer quality than what you can now see with binoculars. The problem is the nucleus and the associated companions. We have to be exposure bloom free to nail the real architecture of the bodies. The total-pixels/comet-nucleus-width have been declining radically since October of 1995. Now the total-pixels/comet-nucleus-width in recently released HB shots are an order of magnitude less than they were 18 months ago. And the comet is almost a order of magnitude closer to us. That is roughly 100:1 resolution cut since the Pinwheel picture. Is everyone that sleepy?

The other thing that got me was the fact that radioastronomy emission reports on HB have been hushed, and what has come through the interminably long delayed released IAU reports is this thing is a magnetic field powerhouse. That means the sun's activity cycle could be disrupted, but probably won't, but we don't know.

During the SL-9 impacts we were seeing HST pictures same day! Why the six months wait now for HB pictures?? Oops, oh here you go, little ones, have some overexposed, de-rezed, wide-plume shots, and we hope you are all sleepy enough not to notice that the photometric nucleus resolution is a hundred times less today (October 96) from HST picture releases a year earlier. As for today (March 5, 97), regular human eyes can now see this thing with binoculars pretty well in the eastern horizon before dawn, and I'm sure the photos released in six months from today will be even further de-rezed and washed!

I bet you we NEVER see any pictures that are not over-exposed except from the likes of Chuck and a few intrepid innocent amateur astronomers who bring home the photographic bacon. That is, if Chuck hasn't lost heart or been bribed or 'visited' yet. The CCD short exposure image stacking/compositing approach is the ONLY way to optimally reduce exposure bloom and thus see the nucleus and associated companions. To put it another way, John Q. Public, comet nucleus studies have just become largely classified. Get over it.

And by the way. The day that Chuck's and Goodwin's site's are shut down is the day I'm heading for the hills. The evidence is just too convincing. The evidence is already almost as good as the evidence they had against O.J.! But O.J. got away with it, so I guess so can a 'comet'! If our trusted national security mavens feel they have to get so radical as to shut internet sites down, then I personally will at that point hold there is a basis to believe the Godforsaken Earth is going to get 'hailed on' and 'bopped' or at least 'scared'.

Thank God for freedom of speech on the internet. But don't be too anxious to thank Him, for the devil is also in the reception line. Think of it this way. Every conspiracy nut on the planet can have their own 'TV channel now', and there are so many channels to choose from we have had to replace the 'remote-control' with 'search engines'. Conversely, every

organized effort to conceal volatile knowledge and information from the public, even when suppression is truly merited, will eventually spring leaks into the internet, thus informing the public about the shenanigans going on. So realize the internet is going to be one of the largest battlefields of national security vs. free-speech that has ever occurred. Watch out. It's coming!

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Re: Comet 'Cover Up'?

From: budscan@juno.com (Bud Jamison)
Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 02:02:16 EST
Fwd Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 07:49:00 -0500
Subject: Re: Comet 'Cover Up'?

Pat Parrinello writes:
>Subject: Fwd: Comet Cover Up?
>Date: Thu, 6 Mar 97 23:06:58 -0600
>From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>

>I'm not an astronomer, not even an amateur.

Obviously.

>this comet has already changed radically on passage by admission
>of visual evidence of the comet going through extremely
>significant changes as it continues it's course.

Just WHAT evidence do you have, that serious astronomers DON'T?

The comet's trajectory was 'updated' as more and more time was spent observing it in 1995, but it NEVER 'changed course'.

>this comet is SERIOUS BUSINESS.
>And so, it seems, there is a massive, so far pretty successful
>coverup of the facts about this comet's passage for really only
>one purpose.

This comet is JUST a comet. Not a 'sign', not a bringer of alien virii or troops, NOT anything but a natural celestial event. :(

>The internet has become a vehicle for parading all kinds of
>strange fanatic marginalia as good looking verity and fact, ready
>to scoop up the attention and belief of the gullible information
>surfer.

You got THAT right!

> But if there were truly a massive coverup happening,
>the internet WOULD be a logical place to see the leaks coalescing
>into a very suggestive picture.

If there were ANY coverup, what makes you think that there would be ANY 'exposure'? That's oxymoronic (pun intended).

>(1) the undeniability of the lack of images of the comet coming
>from any authorities, in an insidious image resolution losing
>fashion.

You obviously either HAVEN'T been looking in the right places, or you just plain don't understand what you see.

>The other thing that got me was the fact that radioastronomy
>emission reports on HB have been hushed,

You can't hush what isn't there. But then, if you get the majority of your info from Art Bell or the Internet alt.paranet.* newsgroups and Fido I_UFO echo, you'd probably have a badly misinformed knowledge of reality.

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Re: Comet 'Cover Up'?

From: **Jakes Louw** <louwje@telkom.co.za>
Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 09:07:38 +0200
Fwd Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 07:50:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Comet 'Cover Up'?

>"Subject: Comet Cover Up?
>Sent: 3/5/97 10:27 PM
>Received: 3/6/97 12:40 PM
>From: Golden Media Communications, rama@goldenmedia.com
>To: pparri@republic.net"

The guy who wrote this has my vote 100%.

A very well written, logical discussion of the problems surrounding the "truth" about HB. Pat, thanks for passing it on. Good stuff.
Again: Chuck Schramek, POST YOUR PICs!!!!!!!

Oh yes....Here in Darkest Africa, most people don't even believe in AIDS or HIV, so a mere comet colliding with Earth probably won't even raise an eyebrow.

Maybe because society has already broken down in most of Africa?

Cheers,

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Re:'Autopsy' - New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 22:27:12 +0000
Fwd Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 07:51:54 -0500
Subject: Re:'Autopsy' - New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

> Date: Tue, 4 Mar 1997 13:40:50 -0600
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: MWayne@bigfoot.com (Michael Malone)
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: 'Autopsy' - New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

> >Date: Tue, 04 Mar 1997 06:22:58 -0500
> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> >From: Steven Kaeser <steve@konsulting.com>
> >Subject: New Enhancement, or new nonsense?

> >This was recently posted to the Usenet. Does anyone have any details?

> >From: mablake@indyvax.iupui.edu (MAJ)
> >Newsgroups: alt.alien.visitors
> >Subject: Computer enhances Alien Autopsy Video
> >Message-ID: <1997Mar3.145942.28012@indyvax.iupui.edu>
> >Date: 3 Mar 97 14:59:42 -0500

> >Recently, the film of the alien autopsy video was scanned into a computer
> >to be studied. The result, several small fragments of several frames were
> >enlarged to see if the authenticity of the video could be proved.

[Snip]

> A great deal of fluff and and very little substance.

> Michael Malone

Where was the film enhanced, by whom, and where can these enhancements be seen ?

Philip Mantle.

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Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

From: Michael Christol <mchristo@mindspring.com>
Date: Fri, 7 Mar 1997 00:04:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 07:53:19 -0500
Subject: Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>Date: Thu, 6 Mar 1997 12:13:20 -0500
>From: Graham William Birdsall <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>Don Ecker wrote:

>>From: DONFEII@aol.com [Don Ecker]
>>Date: Thu, 27 Feb 1997 02:49:26 -0500 (EST)
>>To: updates@globalserve.net
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>>>What is equally important to recognise is that the article surfaced only
>>>weeks after Dr. Wolf had spoken on radio in the United States - until that
>>>time nobody had ever heard of the man. Had we not published the transcript
>>>of his interview with James Courant, would we be any the wiser? Wolf could
>>>have gone on to establish himself as yet another mysterious figure able to
>>>pop out of the woodwork at any given time.

>>>Best regards,
>>>Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]

>>Not exactly on the mark. Wolf appeared on my national radio program
>>"UFOs Tonite!" on or around 1993.

>>Don Ecker
>>UFO Magazine
>>Los Angeles, CA.

>Hi Don, I guess news travels even slower than I originally thought!

>Best regards,
>Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]
>UFO Magazine (UK)

Hi Graham.

I have known Dr. Michael Wolf longer than anyone posting on here
as far as I know. I have known him since 1992.

We speak by phone at least three or four times a year.

He has very good credentials. A friend of mine, whom Don Ecker knows,
living in Indianapolis, Indiana, knows Michael as well, and has files
which verify Michael's background.

I am not at liberty to discuss specifics as to what he does, but he has
a book in publication, entitled THE CATCHERS OF HEAVEN....A TRILOGY.
In that book, Michael Wolf tells about his life and the altered
sciences which are at work in this country as well as the rest of the
world.

I higly recommend anyone wishing to know more about Dr. Michael Wolf,
purchase the book.

It is published by Dorrance Publishing Co., Inc.

643 Smithfield Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222

ISBN# 0-8059-3907-5

I am not trying to sell this book, only to advise those who have questions about the man and his background, of a place where they may obtain that information in the public sector.

All the proceeds of the book are dedicated to "The Daniel Wolf Memorial Foundation For Children, Inc., a non-profit organization designed to help ensure a viable future for children, the hope and future of the world. He will donate all royalties to this organization."

REgards, Mike

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Alfred Odd Ode #103

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 08:12:25 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:24:45 -0500
Subject: Alfred Odd Ode #103

Apology to MW #103 (For March 7, 1997)=20

When there=92s been enough sad, mad news,
You have to cop to what=92s been good.
That hole is on the twenty-first green
Let=92s go nail it with a wood.

So step aboard my cart, fellow mote,
Please don=92t handle the controls
=91Cause one false touch, or errant move,
And there=92s no _telling_ what=92s foretold.

Settle back into your seat=20
Of Carl=92s ship, Imagination.
Forgotten, dusty, and forsaken,=20
I stole her fair, right from her station!

. . .Belongs to me now, and I=92ve added features.
She moves in space, and time, and size.
We=92ll take this ship, and visit places
That some might loath, and criticize.

FLASH -- an instant, and there=92s Ralph Reed!
A man of passion, proud with purpose,
Intelligent, articulate, un-erudite.
His secret life a three ring circus?

FLASH -- a trillion light years from this place.
A questing race is *honor* bound
To spread their *fire* of lonely innocence
In forms of *ultra-light*, and *infra-sound*.

FLASH -- back again near earth we=92re thrust,
Hanging still in quiet space.
Apparent, our world a living thing,
Having style, some charm, a grace. . .

FLASH -- Inside the Whitehouse now,=20
Under Chelsea=92s bed we=92re hiding.
We see her heels beneath her bed clothes,
Is that her, so softly crying?

FLASH -- Up Trent Lott=92s nose we=92ve flown.
God, these nose hairs are a mess!
No rake, or shears could long control them
A mucous jungle, but I digress.

We bang around a little bit
A tickle in the breeze . . .
And "POW" we are ejected!
We did our job! We made him sneeze!

FLASH -- we=92re near the BLACK HOLE
At the center of our Galaxy!
Creation=92s fires are snuffed inside.
Its stellar violence=85 provokes insanity!

Mere matter is accelerated . . .
Way past the speed of light?
It burns it=92s time ferociously?

A quantum candle=92s in the night?

The vision is too dazzling;
It sears our mere humanity.
Best we shove off now, while we still can!
Or. . .be even more the slaves of gravity.

FLASH -- and here we are in Congress.
And we hear them sell us short!
In their offices, in their cloak rooms,
We are TAKEN in the shorts!

FLASH -- We=92re closing quick on Hale-Bopp. . .
And was that the famed companion?
FLASH -- It=92s there, right there, friend Chuck!
And what a strange contraption! =20

FLASH -- Cities on Mars. . .
FLASH -- A sky without stars. . .
FLASH -- . . . can=92t tell where we are. . .!
FLASH -- We=92re inside my guitar!

FLASH -- so here we are at the twenty-first hole,
And I=92m sorry that you hurled.
I=92ll clean it up, but come on back
Where what seemed straight can take a curl. =20

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

Yeah, I know the ride was bumpy, but I bet you thought it was too short, =20
too <g>. I=92m still getting the hang of the controls, but what a way to
apply the alien view -- Anywhere in space, time past, and size. That
could be the internet, if we let it.

. . .Feel free to take her out for a spin any time you want. The keys
are in the ignition. And give me a day=92s notice -- I=92ll try to go with
you. Throw me that bottle of Ozium on your way out, won=92t you? Tsch=FCss.

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
fundamentalist's stake for knowing the starry, starry night.

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Re: subscribe

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:23:18 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:23:18 -0500
Subject: Re: subscribe

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Re: Article on Mutilations in Feb. GQ (Synopsis)

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 07 Mar 97 09:24:39 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:26:20 -0500
Subject: Re: Article on Mutilations in Feb. GQ (Synopsis)

>Date: Thu, 06 Mar 1997 09:53:39 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Article on Mutilations in Feb. GQ (Synopsis)

>Are we talking about the same Linda Howe???

John,

Damn if I know.

Bob

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Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 07 Mar 97 09:24:38 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:27:53 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

>From: RobIrving@aol.com
>Date: Thu, 6 Mar 1997 14:50:47 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

>What say others?<

Rob,

I say Right On, Bro!

About time we exposed these demon worshipers and routed them.

Maybe it's time for a good bonfire of the vane.

Bob

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Re: New 'MJ-12' document found on the WWW?

From: fov_takanashi_cli@jsn.justnet.or.jp
Date: Fri, 07 Mar 1997 22:40:16 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:21:57 -0500
Subject: Re: New 'MJ-12' document found on the WWW?

> Date: Mon, 03 Mar 1997 15:23:49 -0500
> From: Scott Hale <shale@megalinx.net>
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: New MJ-12 document found on the WWW

> All,

> I found this MJ-12 related document, that I've never seen before at the
> following site:

> <http://ccwf.cc.utexas.edu/~drgnbane/ufospecific/files/files.html>

> Does anyone have any comments about this document, or what it contains?

> Attached--->majic9.jpg

>

From : Jun-Ichi Takanashi,
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C.P.O Box No.1226,
Osaka 530-91, Japan.

I've seen your attachment, and found it the MJ-5 document. This documents is well-known among the MJ-12 researchers and I myself has written about it and commented in my Japanese language book, "Doubt about MJ-12, Part II" (1990, 73 pages).

This documents was published in Bill Moore's FWP newsletter, "FOCUS", Vol.II No.7, April 1987, with the first 3 pages of MJ-12 documents and others for the first time, and five months later commented by Barry Greenwood fully, in his "JUST CAUSE" newsletter, No.13, September 1987.

As no one still appears to write about it here, I will answer you. Although I can write on my own, it may be better to quote Barry Greenwood's words here from "JUST CAUSE"newsletter:

"CIA "MJ-5" memo - A one-page document on CIA letterhead, but not released through FOIA. Source and year of memo are unknown. Deletion by MSF (Bill Moore, Jaime Shandera, and Stanton Friedman). [This means that the blackened parts were made by them deliberately, and not by any government department.] This document first appeared in Moore's newsletter Focus. It has not appeared in any subsequent discussion of MJ-12.

"The MJ-5 memo is a real problem. Type style, placement of security markings, use of CIA letter stationary instead of internal forms and language are all atypical of CIA standards. The executive order number quoted in the memo is non-existent. The deletion by MSF of the year forbids accurate follow-up and implies an attempt to cover a deception. We were informed by MSF in a June phone conversation about various points in favour of MJ-12. When discussion focused upon the MJ-5 memo, we stated our concern over the flaws in this paper. A response from the CIA regarding the authenticity of the memo was entirely negative, the CIA labeling the memo a "poorly made fabrication." When informed of this, NSF's only response was, "You believe them ?" Indeed we do if the statement agrees with what we can see with our own eyes !

"It is notable that MSF let the memo quietly disappear from later

presentations of evidence on MJ-12, even though, according to MSF's phone conversation, it came from the same source as the other documents. Why is this memo no longer being discussed ? Suspicious as well is the similarity of the type style in the MJ-5 memo, written on CIA letterhead, and the Aquarius paper, written by the MJ-12 group. If the MJ-5 memo is no longer valid to present as evidence of MJ-12, and it came from the same source as the other documents, then what does this say about the Aquarius paper, or indeed the rest of the evidence ?"

Jun-Ichi Takanashi, Chairman

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Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

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>have gone on to establish himself as yet another mysterious figure able to
>pop out of the woodwork at any given time.

>Best regards,
>Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]

Hi Graham.

I got the book 'The Catchers of Heaven' about 1 month before the Leeds conference (about 2 months before the article was published in UFO Magazine.

One of my contacts is currently getting hold of some off his more 'indept' details. More to come.

Thanks again (BTW the latest UFO Magazine was excellent - very inspiring)



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Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

From: BufoCalvin@aol.com
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March 7, 1997

Just a brief note:

I'm going to be on THE EDGE OF REALITY, which is heard on major stations in San Francisco, Cleveland, Tampa, Salt Lake City, Albuquerque, Dayton, Jacksonville, Fresno, Austin, Wichita, Altoona, Santa Barbara, Eugene, Columbus (Georgia), and Eugene.

I'll be on tomorrow night (Saturday), and I'll post the details in the Media Alert for this week.

I could use some help, though. I'll be on for the last half hour roughly, talking about weird stuff in the following cities: San Francisco, Cleveland, Wichita, Salt Lake City, Albuquerque, Jacksonville, and Austin.

I have quite a bit of material (much more than I'll get to in that length of time), but I can always use recent things. Please e-mail me at bufocalvin@aol.com if you have anything to contribute. Given the time constraint, you will probably not get on-air credit. However, I'd be happy to send either half of TAP (A-M or N-Z) via e-mail to anyone who sends one in to me by, oh, noon on Saturday.

CHUP-A-CADAVER

This is just breaking, and I'll get you more as I can. Michael Lindemann is reporting the recovery of a chupacabra (that's Spanish for "goat-sucker") corpse from Mexico. It has the big spikes on the back that have sometimes been reported. As far as I know, the story really broke on THE END OF THE LINE show with Jeff Rense on Wednesday.

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

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Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:34:28 -0500
Subject: Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>Date: Thu, 6 Mar 1997 12:13:20 -0500
>From: Graham William Birdsall <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>Don Ecker wrote:

>>From: DONFEII@aol.com [Don Ecker]
>>Date: Thu, 27 Feb 1997 02:49:26 -0500 (EST)
>>To: updates@globalserve.net
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

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>>>pop out of the woodwork at any given time.

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>>Not exactly on the mark. Wolf appeared on my national radio program
>>"UFOs Tonite!" on or around 1993.

>>Don Ecker
>>UFO Magazine
>>Los Angeles, CA.

>Hi Don, I guess news travels even slower than I originally thought!

Hi there, I thought I would add a bit here by asking if the 'Wolf' that is being discussed here is the same one that apparently Jack P. Sargeant of Fido-UFO Net knows as well. On 3/3/97 in messages to 'Wolf', Jack bundled up about ten messages for him. It would be curious to see if this is the same 'Wolf' making his rounds for information.

Take care for now,
Cathy Johnson

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Re: Satanic UFOs - Commentary

From: **Peregrine Mendoza** <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 07 Mar 97 20:47:05 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:36:00 -0500
Subject: Re: Satanic UFOs - Commentary

The Horned One of Mendoza will not be outed without a price paid.
And paid and paid.

> From: RobIrving@aol.com
> Date: Thu, 6 Mar 1997 14:50:47 -0500 (EST)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Re: UFO Update: Re: 'Satanic UFOs' - Commentary

> UFOs are Satanic. This was PROVED beyond a shade of doubt at the
> trials of Satan's crones in the Colonies, that year of Our Lord 1692. (etc)

Ah, yes! I remember it well. TimeSpoke (or St Germaine as he called himself then) spent days working on the exquisite consistency of detail that we fed those gullible wretches. But it was the souls of the townsfolk and the magistrates we were truly after, and we captured every one. Those they hanged, burned and vilified went straight to Paradise, much to their amazement, for toward the end they believed every poison we poured into the porches of their ears.

> Be not fooled by those misguided Congregationalists McNally and the
> slovenly Mendoza. THEY OUGHT TO BE HANGED for all their evil
> rantings (Mendoza has yet to comment, but, Duke or not, his silence
> is peculiarly suspicious).

Scrofulous youth, you barely know whom you so rashly challenge. As shall shortly be revealed, there are those among us who know exactly who and what you are. And it is certainly not "Rob Irving", or I am indeed a Congregationalist. However I agree that by the standards of the petty world I most probably should be hanged.

Silence, as all like you who work at dead of night should know, is suspicious only to those who listen at keyholes. Be very careful not to let slip the name of your mother. Mr Sieveking - in whose very hands I have seen autographed correspondence of my half-hearted disciple, that dabbling clown Alastair Crowley - can tell you exactly why, if you dare to ask him.

> The way they and the dowser Devereux hide their smiles behind beards.

[snip to protect the guilty]

> They ought to be shaved and hanged or otherwise dealt with at
> the earliest (...ETC...)

Is it not written (Leviticus 19:27-28): "Ye shall not round the corners of your heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard... nor print any marks upon you: I am the LORD"?

Now I say unto thee, Irving, art thou not round of head? And muscle-bound and tattoo'd? And not bearded because all thine hirsutiness hath gone into the palms of thine hands, from wielding strange implements by night in cornfields, not all of which were fashion'd of wood, and metal, and string? And but a week before you adopted these strange behaviors did not a strange voice whisper into thine ear one night as thou languish'd twixt wake and sleeping, tossing and turning, in thy reeking cot in the crumbling tenements, where I send all my candidates for conversion, the Waste Land of Tott & Ham?

And did not that voice say: "Wannabe famous, kid? Go mess up the Noo

Age for me. Make with the cornfields already. Give ya somethin' to do weekends, ya get ta meet girls finally, and you can kid everybody it's Art. Sound like a good deal, kid?"

And didst thou not answer, "Yea Lord." Even though you thought you were dreaming about Humphrey Bogart. And from that day on you were, were you not, no longer George Wingfield, but shed the errors of the past, and for the first time in your life got out of bed before noon, and were reborn "Rob Irving", another of my creatures?

You ARE Wingfield, "Irving". Once a hoaxer, always a hoaxer. Don't even bother to deny it. YOU CAN RUN BUT YOU CAN'T HIDE.

Superciliously
P. Mendoza Broomestick
Hon. Sec. Harry Harris Supporter's Club

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Date: Fri, 7 Mar 1997 18:08:27 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 01:32:47 -0500
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DISPATCH #42 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

S O M E T H I N G S T R A N G E I S H A P P E N I N G

3/7/97

Quote of the Week

"No one could think of a more impressive set of mammary glands than Dolly Parton."

-- Scientist Ian Wilmut, leader of the team of researchers who created the first cloned mammal, Dolly the sheep, from a ewe egg and a mammary gland cell, explaining how Dolly got her name.

Rant of the Week: You Can't Please Some of the People Any of the Time

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. If you've spotted a great rant, send it to us. When one fellow whom we'll call "David" visited ParaScope, he apparently hated us so much, he went out of his way to personally insult us. We responded in like fashion, which apparently upset "David," as you'll see in this week's rant:

"I seem to have struck quite a raw nerve with some thin-skinned idiot there. Well, too bad for you. I don't care about your week-kneed response to my letter nor about your apparently hurt feelings.

"However, just for the record, I have read more of the inane jibberish in your so-called publication, and that along with your childish response has only served to reinforce my original estimation that you and your band of determined ingnoramous are a total waste of time. Please don't waste any more bandwidth by trying to reply, your feelings would only be hurt again by being totally ignored from this end."

[Reprinted with spelling and grammar goofs unchanged. Names withheld to protect the ranters.]

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For centuries, stories have told of horrible cases of demons and their possessions of innocents. Could they be anything more than religious folklore? Might they possibly be true? And what about those men and women who have labored to cast out these demons. Join us tonight in the Grassy Knoll chat room on AOL from 6-8 p.m. ET as we explore the facts behind demonic possession and exorcism with a real, practicing "exorcist."

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The Crop Circle Connector

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Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 08:52:00 -0500
Subject: The Crop Circle Connector

Welcome to The Crop Circle Connector Mailing List #12.
(Members 1164 on 8-3-97)

WHATS NEW on The Crop Circle Connector for the 7th/8th March 1997

Second Crop Circle Event of 1997. Livingston County
Michigan, USA, 1997. Reported 7th February.

TRUTHSEEKERS.
Paranormal & UFO Conference in Northampton England.

Date: Sunday 23rd March.

New chapters included for Palden Jenkins book

HEALING THE HURTS OF NATIONS. (see Homepages)

Forthcoming Conferences.

Crop Circle Native American Conference. At the
Bristol Court Hotel, San Diego, California, USA.
Saturday 15th March.

Chet Snow presents Star Visions, Earth Changes,
Crop Circles.

Friday 28th March at 7.00pm at the Hypnosis Clearing
House, California, USA.

The Signs have Arrived, Earth Changes: Dartmouth
College, Hanover, New Hampshire, USA.
Saturday 24th May 1997.

Further observations on Oliver's Castle, by Steve Page.
A correspondance and two additional images on the
continuing saga of the Snowflake formation

New Issue of The Circular Review. Winter 1996/97
is OUT NOW!

Bullein 19: Oliver's Castle - Yet more Hocus Pocus.
More intrigue into the most famous video crop circle
event, of 1996 by George Wingfield.

Indian Star Tetrahedron Mandala 1987. A report forwarded
by ilyes about this huge triangular formation near the
Indian presidential Palace. (See ilyes Homepage)

New Issue of The Spiral: Issue No 16. OUT NOW!

New Crop Circle Greeting Cards by the Crop Circle
Wiltshire Study Group. (New Homepage)

Report on the Oliver's Castle Video by Dan Drasin.
Further insights into the event of 1996.

All the best

Mark and Stuart

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Subject: Re: Satanic UFOs - Commentary

Dear Mr Bruce Knapp

As spiritual advisor to His Grace the Duke of Mendoza, who is preoccupied with urgent matters and the briefing of his field commanders, I have been requested to offer to your List an extract from a short memorandum that I composed at the request of His Grace after his perusal of the item concerning My Lord Hill-Norton (partly deceased) in The Times last week.

In this brief consideration I cite Prof. Ted Peters' essay in James R. Lewis (ed), "The Gods Have Landed" (SUNY 1995). If memory serves, a member of the List is one of his graduate students. Perhaps she - or even the Professor! - would care to comment?

Yours &c
Brother TimeSpoke
Castle Despair, Extramadura

The demonologists of ufology are distinguished by a still more tenuous connection with any "evidence" for their suppositions than the salvationist cults can offer. Gorgon Creighton, for decades a force within the UK's once-respected Flying Saucer Review (FSR), and now its editor, has long warned that journal's readers of the hellish nature of ufonauts. As early as 1967 Creighton was suggesting that some, if not all, aliens "correspond very closely indeed to the traditional concepts held, in all parts of our world, of 'demons,' 'goblins,' 'trolls,' and so on." This was long before Jacques Vallee intimated that elves, pixies and UFO occupants were aspects of the same phenomenon. Two years later, FSR assistant editor Dan Lloyd announced openly that UFOs were a Satanic device and delusion, intended to focus the mind of man on purely material matters and cripple human spiritual evolution.

By the mid 1970s Creighton, who is reportedly a Buddhist, was in full apocalyptic flow: "Demons... are already here in immense strength," he assured readers, and were selecting a chosen few for their genetic superiority (a quality he had the rare good taste to leave undefined). And "before the close of the century, cataclysmic and apocalyptic events will rend the planet... and as the signs of moral and spiritual decay multiply, who can doubt that certain of the 'UFO entities' have a hand in... the stirring of the nauseating brew?"

No one could, if Creighton was correct in his additional belief that in the interim governments and nations were telepathically controlled by the evil entities. In the 1990s FSR regularly published articles affirming that, for instance, UFOs represented "a hellish plot aimed at complete enslavement of humanity". In March 1997, The Times of London quoted Creighton as saying unequivocally: "I do believe the great bulk of these phenomena are what is called satanic." Creighton represents a tropical case of the ufologist at odds with his material, for FSR also published many, often admirably detailed, case histories - none of which seemed to offer much to substantiate the exotic conclusions that its editor, drew from them. As Jerome Clark remarked of FSR's editor, such "peculiar beliefs... represent a flight from reason by virtually any definition".

Creighton's imaginings can at least be placed in the context of milleniarist fantasy. In predicting the advent of the Four Horsemen, he is explicitly re-writing prophesies of Apocalypse, Armageddon and

the End Times in ufological language. At least we know there will be a horrible crisis and then all our troubles will be over. Rather more depressing, even depressive, is John Keel's vision of the demons in flying saucers. Jerome Clark quotes what he calls "a particularly ripe paragraph" from a Keel article in Strange magazine:

"While we grovel on our way to the 21st Century, someone or something is watching with amusement.... We are biochemical robots helplessly controlled by forces that can scramble our brains, destroy our memories and use us in any way they see fit. They have been doing it to us forever."

For Keel, as for Creighton, ufonauts were not extra-terrestrials, but demons in modern disguise. They took on shapes and sizes of all kinds, however, not just those of "aliens": they may be monsters, angels, fairies, even poltergeists. In UFOs: Operation Trojan Horse, widely regarded as his magnum opus, Keel wrote:

"The Devil's emissaries of yesteryear have been replaced by the mysterious "men in black." The quasi-angels of Biblical times have become magnificent spacemen. The demons, devils and false angels were recognized as liars and plunderers by early man. These same impostors now appear as long-haired Venusians."

These grotesquely manipulative entities Keel dubbed "ultraterrestrials". They may manifest themselves in the material world, but truly inhabit another "dimension" of existence: Keel calls it the "superspectrum", but it is to all intents and purposes the same as the "etheric world" beloved of spiritualists. Their intention - or their achievement - has been to enslave humanity, for they control religion, politics, and individuals. There may be more than one faction among the ultraterrestrials, and humans have been used as helpless pawns in their battles.

In Keel's pessimistic, even masochistic metaphysics, humanity is powerless and eternally doomed to be the plaything of the godlike ultraterrestrials. In this he echoes a subtext of the religions derived from the Tanach (the Hebrew Bible), which presents God as all-powerful, omniscient, and yet frequently inexplicably cruel, a creator of evil as well as good, and possessed of moral standards that only intermittently connect with human ideas of justice, compassion and reason. Keel shows no sign of being aware of this troubled tradition but, as a diabetic, he is himself a victim of an incurable condition, which if not regularly palliated (or, in religious language, propitiated) can - for purely biochemical reasons - produce bouts of irrationality. It is rarely helpful to raise such personal matters in discussing anyone's ideas, but in this instance might we, perhaps, discern the roots of Keel's singularly depressive vision of a world at the mercy of uncontrollable, evil, unust, and inescapable forces from elsewhere?

It is easier to follow the reasoning - if that is the word for it - behind the insistence among fundamentalist Christians that UFOs and aliens are "limbs of Satan". The train of thought runs thus. First, UFOs and aliens are deemed to be real, and their claims to be extra-terrestrial are taken at face value - as claims. However, in fundamentalist belief there can be no life on other planets, as the Bible says nothing about such a thing. According to the fundamentalists, the aliens (and, incidentally, anyone else who claims there even just may be life elsewhere in the Universe) therefore deny the Bible, and therefore deny God. Fundamentalists have also taken to heart the notions that the aliens are scientifically, morally and perhaps physically more evolved than humans, and that they are here to accelerate our own evolution. The very concept of evolution is, of course, anathema to fundamentalists, to whom the account of the Creation in Genesis is absolute and literal truth. Whichever way they look at the UFO phenomenon, it is clearly designed to bamboozle people into rejecting the Bible and the biblical account of creation. Not only that, but people will think salvation is to be had from the Sky People or Space Brothers, not from Jesus of Nazareth. And who else but Satan and his demons would create such a cunning scheme?

There are several logical flaws in this argument, not least its first assumption. As theologian Professor Ted Peters says, "It is logically possible for things to exist that are not mentioned in the Bible. Toyotas and Swiss watches and Big Mac hamburgers exist indisputably, but they are not mentioned in the Bible." One could argue (and many Christians have) that evolution, the book of Genesis, and a caring God are all compatible. Indeed as Peters has pointed out, Judaism, Christianity and Islam are not at root opposed to the idea of extra-terrestrial intelligence. Nonetheless, there is a grain of truth even

in the fundamentalists' obsessional perspective on ufology. That is their perception that much of its mythology is essentially salvific, inspired by the hope that the ufonauts will bring us peace, understanding and plenty. Or at any rate vegetarianism, universal gun control, and a positively sybaritic degree of smug self-satisfaction.

And here lies the real importance of the UFO cults. They are no more irrational than any other religion (or many branches of ufology), if rashly prone to garble the vocabulary of modern science and put it through an occult mangle to serve their various cosmologies. But they do demonstrate the ready capacity of ufological beliefs to act as fertile soil for religious beliefs. Whether this is a parasitical growth upon the back of ufology, an aberration within it, or a clue to the true nature of its seemingly unsystematic assortment of ideas, is a question that would call for a far wider dissertation, which I should be most willing to undertake, should Your Grace require it.

May I remain Your Grace's most humble and obedient servant
Brother TimeSpoke
Chaplain to Castle Despair

[This handwritten note was found on the verso of the e-mail:]
PS: I have ordered a fresh batch of black candles, some costly unguents that I think you will find quite interesting, and another hogshead of soused herrings for the chapel as requested. However, my Lady Amarintha begs to inform Your Grace that she is a trifle weary of playing "The Monk and the Choirboy" and suggests that Vespers would be enlivened by a revival of "Pan and the Shepherdess", of which she had fond memories. She further reports that the Bathroom and Jacuzzi staff have expressed great eagerness to take the part of the Flock, even being willing to supply their own Sheepskins.

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RAF Rudloe Manor

From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de (Joachim Koch)
Date: 07 Mar 97 22:43:00 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 10:14:35 -0500
Subject: RAF Rudloe Manor

1. Dorchester's Second UFO, Crop Circle and Government Conspiracy Conference.

Lecturers: Nick Pope, Anthony Dodd, David Percy, Marcus Allen, David Kingston

on Sunday 6th April 1997 Tel: 01305 266832

2. MOD Admission: *Rudloe Manor did deal with UFO's*

Truthseekers Review author Chris Fowler has made a startling breakthrough in his dealings with the MOD. Chris, an intrepid UFO researcher, regularly writes to the MOD at Whitehall, questioning them on their policies regarding UFO's. As Matthew Williams of Truthseekers Review writes: "It is hard to evade the types of questions that Chris asks.

In his most recent reply from the MOD, Miss Kerry Philpot of Secretariat Air Staff 2a (the MOD's UFO Desk) admitted for the very first time that RAF Rudloe Manor did indeed undertake the role of "cordination point" for UFO reports. This admission was made following a consistent barrage of point-blank denials from the MOD's former Air Staff 2a Employee, Nick Pope, who, when questioned by Above Top Secret author Timothy Good, claimed he had never even heard of RAF Rudloe Manor. I understand that Mr Good is "very excited" by this unexpected slip-up; I understand that Mr Pope is extremely red faced!

Although this surprise admission states that RAF Rudloe Manor had now ceased to be involved with UFO reports, information recently received from an inside source at the top-secret base states otherwise. Indeed, according to our source, the Low Flying Complaints Department at RAF Rudloe Manor not only deals with all British UFO reports, but the Department's 'Chain of Command' goes all the way back to America!

It seems there are still some very serious questions to be asked with regard to UFO's and government secrecy. Indeed, it seems there are still some very serious questions to be asked with regard to Mr Nick Pope.

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A private English source remarks:

A) In case you don't know Rudloe Manor is just outside Bath, Southern England

B) I have understood for a long time that the above was the case. This was also verified to me by an impeccable source some four and a half years ago.

C) My understanding is that it is still being used for this purpose.

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Skywatch: Hackers sabotage NASA Website

From: "SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL, INC." <skywatch@mail.phoenix.net>
Date: Fri, 7 Mar 1997 21:52:41 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 10:16:07 -0500
Subject: Skywatch: Hackers sabotage NASA Website

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From: Ndunlks@aol.com
Date: Fri, 7 Mar 1997 22:29:40 -0500 (EST)
To: Skywatch@phoenix.net
Subject: Hackers sabotage NASA Website

.c The Associated Press

By PAUL RECER

WASHINGTON (AP) - A NASA Internet web site was invaded by computer hackers who altered a picture of the space shuttle and threatened an electronic terrorist attack against corporate America, officials said Thursday.

Brian Dunbar, NASA's Internet services manager, said the hackers broke into the web site just before noon Wednesday and substituted an altered page for one routinely posted by NASA.

He said engineers at the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., where the web server is located, quickly noticed the change and took the server off line. The altered page was available to web surfers for only about 30 minutes, Dunbar said.

The message from the hackers was a ``diatribe'' against commercial use of the Internet, said Dunbar. He said the message was vague threat to carry out an electronic terrorist attack against ``corporate America'' within a month. It also called for the release from jail of some well-known hackers.

The warning did not specify individual targets or further elaborate on its threat.

Dunbar said the group identified itself as ``H4G1S'' at one point in the message and as ``HAGIS'' at another point. A space shuttle graphic was altered so that the NASA logo was removed and ``H4G1S'' was substituted.

The NASA web site was taken off line for the rest of Wednesday, but was up again on Thursday morning. Dunbar said the agency has installed electronic security measures designed to prevent a recurrence.

The web site is available to the public through address www.nasa.gov. The NASA server connected to the site is used for public information and for some unclassified scientific data.

Dunbar said the HAGIS group has not been identified, but that a criminal investigation is under way by NASA's inspector general's office.

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Project 1947 - Sightings in Canada

From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@CC.UMANITOBA.CA>
Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 10:17:48 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 08 Mar 1997 10:17:48 -0500
Subject: Project 1947 - Sightings in Canada

Jacques Poulet writes:

> I've heard that there was, actually, a wave of sightings in New
> England and Eastern Canada. Does anybody know anything about this?

Like, Don [Ledger], I haven't heard of this.

However, I will mention that last week, the remaining outstanding UFO cases were received as data for the 1996 Canadian UFO Survey. I have now entered all the data into ACCESS and Excel databases and have begun preliminary number-crunching. For the record, we have 258 case reports on file for Canada from 1996. Because of the excellent cooperation and contributions from serious researchers across Canada, it looks like we have a distribution that is roughly related to population, with some notable over- and under-representation in a few regions. For example, there were 45 cases from Quebec, while only 11 in all of Maritime Canada.

I will be preparing the 1996 report during the next month and send copies to contributing organizations. (Don't be surprised if it's emailed as an attachment!) In addition, I will be making the entire Excel database available to serious researchers.

Because the database was already in progress when I joined this list, it is in the original annual format with the original fields. With the excellent suggestions presented here, I will be changing the fields to reflect the ideas and suggested standards we have been hashing out, so that the 1997 database will be even better!

One other thing: I am convening a meeting of all interested individuals in the Winnipeg area, specifically to select the "Unknowns" from the database and collectively evaluate them as to "low quality" and "high quality". That way, more people get to be in on the evaluation process and see exactly which cases are "good", and what such cases are really like. (There were 16.27% unknowns in the database, on the first pass. It is expected that this process will whittle this percentage down somewhat, probably to the 5% which is more typical of high-quality unknowns. And it gets me off the hook if people start saying that I'm being too critical of the case data! :))

I'll probably be making the data files available here first, so stay tuned!

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Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 07:40:43 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 07:40:43 -0500
Subject: Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

So, continuing to try and follow up on this one
and Michael Lindemann being on the road.....

ebk

From: <http://www.artbell.com/files/chupa5.txt>

Date: 2-27-97
To: artbell@aol.com
From: ?????@?????.com

Hello Art,

Derik Lattig in San Antonio here. I thought you would want to know that my TV station has obtained photos of a chupacabra captured in a trap just south of San Antonio. A rancher took photos of the beast and brought them to us. He claims there were three, one in the trap and two others jumping up and down and they ran when he approached. I'll try my best to describe the photos for you.

The creature is about as long as a human leg, pasty white and has ridges on its back like a Dragon. It has two front legs and two rear legs and at the end of each two tiny offshoots that I would not call fingers, but I wouldn't call them paws either, almost claw looking. You can see teeth on the thing which is draped across the ground in an arch.

The farmer says "some men" saw him showing the creature and took it saying they would have it stuffed. He claims to know where the body is and we are investigating it. I'll be happy to send you a copy of our story if you'd like it or send you video of the polaroid pictures. Contact me at xxx-xxx-xxxx tomorrow afternoon.

I thought you'd want this info for your show this morning though. Yours in News Derik Lattig.

There is what seems to be an associated image with Derik's message at:

<http://www.artbell.com/images/chupa5.jpg>

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Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 07:41:59 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 07:41:59 -0500
Subject: Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

Keyed by: Errol Bruce-Knapp
Keyed on: Sunday, March 9, 1997

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Europa and the Hoagland Eccentricity
by
Jay Ingram

Ever since the announcement last summer that there might have been life in the past on Mars, the extraterrestrial-life bandwagon has been full speed ahead. Speculation abounds but a recent case illustrates that there are limits: speculation still has to look and sound like science.

At the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science a couple of weeks ago, scientists discussed the possibility that life might have - and might still exist on Jupiter's moon Europa.

Europa is by any measure a bizarre solar system object. Its surface appears to be a huge badly flooded skating rink at the end of a busy weekend, a vast globe of ice criss-crossed everywhere by cracks. There are very few craters, suggesting that those that once existed (almost everything in the solar system is thought to have been bombarded early on) have been smoothed out by an ever-changing surface.

Support for this idea comes from recent photos by the Galileo spacecraft showing what look like new ice floes covering over old cracks. Also some of the cracks seem wider and darker than others.

This visual evidence, together with theoretical estimates of the heat-generating tidal pull on Europa by nearby Jupiter have prompted speculation that under that crust of ice (possibly very far under) there is a vast singular ocean of liquid water.

The dark cracks might be Europa's counterpart of shifting ice pans in the dark Arctic, which sometimes break apart to reveal narrow channels of darker water between.

At the AAAS meeting, scientists were building on the idea of the moon-girdling ocean to suggest that undersea volcanoes on Europa, powered by Jovian tidal forces, once (or still) spewed forth organic matter into this ocean, just as happens at the hot vents under our oceans.

On Earth, these upwellings contain micro-organisms. On Europa, who knows? Maybe this unlikely moon is a reservoir of undersea

life.

Or then again, maybe it isn't. The Europa discussion at the AAAS was partially prompted by yet another close approach that might confirm or deny some of these ideas.

But there is a more interesting background to the idea. Speculation about Europa is by no means new. In late 1979, a science writer in the United States named Richard Hoagland first broached the idea that there might be life under the ice there. The images that sparked his imagination had arrived at Earth from the Voyager spacecraft, the one that gave us our first views of Jupiter, Saturn and their moons.

Hoagland put his ideas on paper in a verbose article in a magazine called Star and Sky in 1980. It's intriguing to read the article now, partly because he so clearly anticipates the thinking today and partly because no one today seems to be acknowledging his priority.

Some of the details are dated (Hoagland leans heavily on electricity in the early European atmosphere to generate the life-forming organic molecules, while today, as I mentioned above, scientists rely on undersea volcanoes). But in most respects the two arguments are absolutely consistent.

So where is Hoagland today and why aren't the Europa theorists talking about him. Is it perhaps because in the intervening years he took on a much more notorious cause, the face on Mars? Yes, it is the same Richard who is the prime mover behind the idea that a Viking spacecraft photo of a flat-topped mesa on the surface of Mars is a huge carved face.

Where Hoagland sees physiognomy, scientists see a chance juxtaposition of geology and shadow. But that hasn't stopped him. Last time I checked, he'd identified a complex of temples and pyramids nearby.

So when it comes to Europa, why don't we hear about Richard Hoagland? I think it's because it's perfectly okay to speculate about extraterrestrial life; it's even okay to dream about it swimming under the European ice; but it's just not respectable to think about somebody carving a big face on Mars.

Jay Ingram hosts the tv program '@discovery.ca' on the Discovery Channel in Canada.

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Re: 'Libel'

From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 12:02:43 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 13:59:23 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Libel'

>Date: 18 Feb 97 12:49:44 EST
>From: Andy Roberts <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO Updates <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Libel'

>I'm sorry to bore list members with UFO politics but I can't let
>Stan Friedman get away with this:

>Stan Friedman wrote:

>>Concerning Andy Roberts charge re my libel suit, he is off the wall.
>>I sued the Manchester Evening News and Jenny and Bufora, (since she
>>was acting in her role as their director of research) for defamation
>>in a long and very nasty article appearing on a Saturday before my
>>Sunday lecture in Manchester.

>It wasn't 'nasty', it reflected opinion about someone who held very
>strange beliefs. Are you scared of opinion Stan? Interestingly enough
>more people became aware of the issues as a result of your lawsuit
>than were before. Funny way of not wanting to be 'defamed'.

Okay, so, where's the article!?! Let's somebody post it so we can
all see it.

Thanks, take care.
John.

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Alfred's Odd Ode #104

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 08:11:07 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 13:56:14 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #104

Apology to MW #104 (For March 9, 1997)=20

I=92m reminded that skeptics are people too,
Fraught with the ills that ail all of us.
They want a *just* comfort, and a reason to smile;
Like me, wanting to =91grok=92 this whole omnibus.

Perhaps, but then it is easily remembered
That I once thought as they think, still.
Then I picked up new books, and I had a long look,
. . . Found their arguments convenient, and shrill.

Shrill in the knowing that they=92re specious;
Shrill in suspicion that they=92re wrong;
Shrill as they fight with their denial;
Shrill that their position isn=92t strong.=20

~

They don=92t know that they=92ve been lucky!
Wasn=92t hemp grown in Kentucky?
Eden=92s treasure spot, they live in out of sin?

But the *treasure* has a price
And then you find you aren=92t so nice=20
When your comfort comes from pockets sick and thin.

~

You reminded that these are my fellow people . . .
Who I live amongst, and who I count among my friends. . .
Many I depend on for my comfort!
And with this group I must retire, and make amends. . . ?

Then I remember their *take* on the world.=20
I remember their scared whine to make confined
Our study of science to *safe* mainstream modes --
To *old* science that=92s "doing just fine."

Fine, in the sense that it backs them up.
Fine, that it floats their wide boat.
Fine, that it=92s rules they are happy with.=20
Fine, if I hung from their rope <g>.
=09

~

They don=92t know why they=92ve been lucky!
Wasn=92t hemp milled in Kentucky?
A treasure spot to live in with your kin?

But the *treasure* has a price
And then you find you aren=92t so nice=20
When your comfort comes from pockets poor and thin.

~

I say again, these are my people,
And from their loins I=92ve sprung.
I owe them, in fact, all that I have!
Truly, and much of what I=92ve done!

But, then I remember the facts I=92ve recovered.
And the news that is coming up, just now!
It wasn=92t so true what was taught to believe!
And a truth that should smile is a frown.

A frown at the bigot elected to office.
A frown at a Christian who hates.
A frown at a man who despoils our freedom.
A frown at the skeptic in cyberspace.
=09
~

They don=92t know how they=92ve been lucky!
Hemp _was_ grown in Old Kentucky!
That treasure spot they live in -- pay no rent!

But the *treasure* had a price
And then you found you weren=92t so nice=20
When your comfort came from pockets sad and thin.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

If the skeptics keep distracting me like they are, I=92m never gonna get
to all the good stuff at the "twenty first green". There is _wonderful_
stuff out there to explore =96 and it=92s not the same old crap. It=92s
positive! It even smells pretty =96 but, one has too eat the broccoli
before one can eat the dessert. That=92s the principle of Premack. . . =20

Oh =96 someone asked what could "possibly" be wrong with bananas. . .

~ To keep the blemishes off of them (not grown in America, there are
short cuts that can be taken) the bananas are sprayed with so much
mercury it can be seen running in little quick-silver rivers at the tree
bases. The people that have to _live_ there take this stuff into their
bodies where it. . . well, look up mercury poisoning on line =96 it=92s not
a pretty picture. Hey! What could be more wholesome than a banana =96 eh?
"Hey mom! Could we have some more bananas"? Oh yeah. . . and the banana
growers stiff _these_ people on medical assistance, too, and _these_
people just dwindle to drooling, retarded dust. . .But we got some fat
bananas, and they=92re pretty =96 slice one up in your cereal (another
interesting story)!

How about something else wholesomely American? How about our American
Caesar, Norman Schwarzkopf!=20

Just tell the damn truth, General! Though the heavens fall, or the mark
drops from Cain. . .do what you would have commanded from me!

"An officer will not lie, cheat or, steal." =96 even if it means he can=92t
be president, or adored by millions, General.

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
fundamentalist's stake for knowing who God really is.

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Re: Devereux-Rutkowski: EL/TST Debate

From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 12:02:41 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 13:57:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux-Rutkowski: EL/TST Debate

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Sat, 15 Feb 1997 19:50:23 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Devereux-Rutowski: EL/TST Debate

>EL can be as large (eg. at Hessdalen) as reported UFOs; if they
>are a form of plasma, as seems likely (most scientists are
>assuming that for ball lightning, for instance) , then they can
>appear glowing and multicoloured at night, and appear as
>metallic-looking disks and globes in daylight.

Can they be picked up on airport radar? Wouldn't radar tapes
from airports near seismically active areas be an excellent data
source?

> SPECIAL NOTE: With regard to 'energy' dowsing, I have for 15 or
> more years been the chief critic of such claims in the UK - and
> you can check that with any neutral observer (try Bob Rickard if
> you like, editor of *Fortean Times*). I have been hated, abused,
> and otherwise reviled by New Age circles and dowsing groups
> because of my emphatic opposition to their nonsense.

Do you feel the same about 'water' dowsing?

>When we were doing our work in Wales, a certain person in the
>Edinburgh Seismological Unit (who shall remain nameless) told me
>that when he retired, he would write a book on the LP- seismic
>connection. "You should see what we have here," he said,
>tauntingly!

Is it possible to guess at the type/kind of data this person is
referring to?

>I'll state my current position regarding EL, to minimise, if
>possible, misunderstandings.

> i) I am going for a tectonic connection with EL because EQL
> *are* produced (let us not be ridiculously coy about this),
> and it therefore seems a logical starting point. Investigation
> to date provides a broad base of evidence - in addition to
> Persinger's work on the TST - suggesting this approach is
> reasonably founded. But I do not rule out meteorological
> elements as well - and, quite probably, other factors of which
> we are unaware at present.

> ii) I think the brand of EQL we call EL sometimes display
> sufficiently distinct characteristics, which I have described
> partially here and fully elsewhere, to warrant that special
> designation.

>iii) EL reportedly behave as if that have electromagnetic
> properties, but also, at times, seem to display more exotic
> ones unfamiliar to the current state of geophysics. One
> reason for this, I suspect, from study of hundreds of cases,
> is that macro-quantum characteristics are displayed.
> Macro-quantal phenomena have been produced in the laboratory,
> and quantum scientists with whom I have discussed this matter
> accept the possibility. But, we'll see. iv) I do *not* think
> EL account for most UFO sightings. I think most UFO reports
> can be deconstructed into psychosocial phenomena. I do think

> some reports do relate to actual unexplained phenomena,
> however, and so far I am satisfied that those limited number
> of cases can be studied from the EL angle. If anything ever
> comes up to convince me to modify that view, I will readily
> do so.

That leaves the better cases such as Westchester/Long Island,
Cash-Landrum, Bentwaters, Belgium, Gulf Breeze, etc.

Thanks, take care.
John.

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UFO ROUNDUP

Volume 2, Number 10
March 9, 1997
Editor: Joseph Trainor

MAJOR UFO FLAP GOING ON
IN NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

Since January 22, 1997, a major UFO flap has been going on in the three New England states of New Hampshire (N.H.), Vermont (Vt.) and Maine (Me.), with 17 sightings and one encounter reported.

On January 23, Beverly Higgins was driving home from work. "It was ten to seven," she recalled, "I was on Route 3 coming home from Littleton (N.H.), just before the Columbia trailer park when I saw this thing across my windshield, just above my steering wheel."

Ms. Higgins watched the object cross the sky from west to east, coming from Vermont and passing over the Connecticut River. "It was oval--I counted six windows and there was a green light in front of it," she said. "It hovered slowly, but there was no noise."

After a few minutes, the UFO "took off over the mountains" and Ms. Higgins continued on her journey. (See the Manchester, N.H. Union-Leader for March 3, 1997, page 1)

According to the Union-Leader story, MUFON investigator Sandra Black of Stewartstown, N.H. has documented 17 sightings since January.

"The best one was reported on January 23 on Route 26 in daylight," Ms. Black told the newspaper. "Two people were coming home from work at the Balsams when they saw a large saucer-shaped object standing vertical on end."

In North Stratford, N.H., she added, a witness "reported seeing an object the size of a house. There were pink and blue lights glowing around it."

In February, a woman and her family in Stratford, N.H. "saw a saucer-shaped object in the Stratford Hollow part of town. A few days later, the woman spotted the object again."

New Hampshire sightings have also been reported in Clarksville, Jefferson, Columbia, Stratford, Stewartstown and Berlin.

In Vermont, UFO sightings were reported in the "Northeast Kingdom" in and around the city of St. Johnsbury, in Hardwick, in Danville and in Lyndonville. In every case, the witnesses have

described domed saucers about 33 to 67 feet (10 to 20 meters) in diameter, gunmetal gray to silver in color, with or without square windows.

In February, a witness reported a domed saucer hovering in a forest north of Andover, Me.

A startling encounter took place in Colebrook, N.H. (population 1070), on the east bank of the Connecticut River 10 miles (16 kilometers) south of Stewartstown.

According to Peter Geremia, director of MUFON New Hampshire, a Colebrook woman, age 73, "claims she was visited by 12 aliens who sat at her table, took notes and whispered among themselves, and wouldn't leave until 3:30 a.m., despite her polite requests."

"I just want to forget about it. It was very disturbing," said the 73-year-old woman, who told her story to co-workers at a local nursing home and to a MUFON investigator."

"Co-worker Tracy Perry said the woman is stable and not one to make up stories. But since the day last month (February) when she told her tale, Perry said, 'She hasn't been herself.'" (See the Boston, Mass. Herald for March 6, 1997, page 7)

Leading the current investigative effort is Raymond E. Fowler of Wenham, Mass., MUFON's national director of investigations and the author of THE WATCHERS and THE ANDREASSON AFFAIR.

Fowler told the Herald, "I don't think we've had anything like this since 1973. We've had sightings but not sighting after sighting after sighting."

(Many thanks to Jeffrey Wilcox for this story.)

UFO FLAP IS STILL GOING STRONG IN AUSTRALIA

On Thursday, February 20, 1997, at 5:45 a.m., people living in Wangandary, south of Albury, Victoria (Vic.) spotted "four bright disc-shaped illuminations" flying east over the Barry Mountains toward Mount Buffalo. The UFOs were at an estimated altitude of 30,000 feet and flying in "a square formation."

The same morning, at 5:15 a.m., early risers in downtown Adelaide, South Australia (S.A.) saw "three bright lights following each other in a line, moving from west to east in the pre-dawn darkness." Each UFO appeared to have a red light attached.

At 10:45 p.m. on February 20, witnesses at Walcha, New South Wales (N.S.W.), a small town east of Tamworth and about 320 kilometers (200 miles) northwest of Sydney, sighted "three yellow-white lights traveling slowly across the sky," heading in an east-northeast direction. The UFOs were about 45 degrees above the horizon.

On Friday, February 21, 1997, the scene of UFO action shifted to the states of Victoria and Queensland. At 10 p.m. Friday night, people in Hopper Crossing, Vic. saw "a bright orange fireball" in the southern sky "as big as the full moon."

At 9:50 p.m., people in Werribee, Vic., where a "scorch earth mark" or crop circle had been found a week earlier, reported "a bright red fireball," again "as big as a full moon," in the southern sky.

Also at 10 p.m., people in Ballarat, 150 kilometers (95 miles) northwest of Melbourne, spotted "a bright orange fireball."

(Editor's Note: Ross Dowe, director of Australia's National 24-Hour UFO Hotline, says these "fireball" sightings may have been flares or explosions from Melbourne's RAAF air show that night.)

However, three towns in Queensland reported an unusual UFO the night of February 21, 1997. People in Belle Park, Eumundi and Springsure, northwest of Brisbane, saw "a strange lime-green cigar illumination with streaks of light emitting out of it." The UFO first appeared in the northeast sky and moved to the northwest.

On Saturday, February 22, 1997, witnesses in Cronulla, N.S.W., a suburb of Sydney looked upward at 6 a.m. and saw "an illumination" moving from the south to the southwest, "doing odd things."

That night, at 11 p.m., in Liverpool, another Sydney suburb, people saw "a diamond-shaped object with bright orange-yellow plumes of light around it." The UFO was "as big as a thumb at arm's length" and it "jigged around for ten or so minutes."

The flap also reached Tasmania, the island-state off Australia's southern coast. On Sunday, February 23, 1997, at 8:30 p.m., a ship cruising the Bass Strait north of Burnie, Tasmania spotted a UFO. A ship's officer reported, "Upon sighting the vertical cloud... some 30 nautical miles out to the northeast from my position, I observed the object through 12X binoculars." The "vertical cloud" seemed luminous and surrounded by "vaporious streamers." After a few minutes, he said, "a bright elliptical or saucer-shaped illumination" burned off or caused the vapor/steam to disappear. "It held its position for a few minutes and then it disappeared."

Three days later, on Wednesday, February 26, 1997, witnesses in Kingston, Tasmania reported sighting "a horizontal flaring green light in the sky."

Thursday, February 27, 1997 saw the flap focus shift back to Queensland. At 10:05 p.m. that night, people in Port Macquarie, 320 kilometers (200 miles) north of Brisbane, saw "a white-yellow /\ shaped object with flashing lights underneath. The object appeared to be hovering over the ocean about 10 kilometers (6 miles) out to the northeast." At 11 p.m., the same object was seen further inland over Warhope.

The same night, at 9 p.m., a UFO was seen over Padbury, Western Australia (W.A.), not far from Perth. Witnesses described it as "a bright oval green illumination coming straight down west of the city. It appeared to have sparks or streaks coming out of it. There was no sound."

On Friday, February 28, 1997, at 1:30 a.m., "a large white illumination" was seen over Peak Hill, N.S.W. 360 kilometers (225 miles) west of Sydney. The UFO was moving from south to north at 45 degrees above the horizon and was described as "one-tenth the size of the full moon." Witnesses described themselves as "somewhat amazed."

Also that Friday night, at 10:10 p.m., people in Yarra Junction, Vic., east of Melbourne, saw "two white light illuminations following each other." The UFOs gave off three flashes of orange light at random sequences, a commonly reported characteristic of Australian UFOs during the past year and a half.

(Many thanks to Ross Dowe of the National 24-Hour UFO Hotline for this story.)

UFOs LEAVE TWO CROP
CIRCLES IN BRAZIL

On Thursday, February 27, 1997, a UFO landed on a farm near Sepe Tiaraju regional airport outside Santo Angelo, in the state of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil. Santo Angelo is a city about 320 kilometers (200 miles) northwest of Porto Alegre and 128 kilometers (80 miles) east of the Rio Uruguaia, which forms the boundary with Argentina's Misiones province.

At 9 p.m., Claudete Parazzi, a farmer's wife, was sitting on the balcony of her farmhouse when she heard "a strange noise" coming from the pasture. Looking toward the coach house, Sra. Parazzi, 55, spotted "a vivid red light."

The following morning, Friday, February 28, she told her husband, Juvenal, and her daughter, Liziane, about the incident. All three went to investigate and found a crop circle 10 meters (33 feet) in diameter in a cornfield.

"Nobody knows what this is," Liziane Parazzi told the Brazilian newspaper Correio do Povo.

That Friday night, Arno Polanski, a security guard at the nearby Frangomil Corp. farm, "saw an orange fireball in the sky that disappeared in seconds."

The UFO, Polanski said, "was emitting an orange light and was the size of a truck."

Within the cornfield, Polanski found a large crop circle that looked like this:

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Polanski and other Frangomil employees also found "a strange white dust" covering the corn leaves. The material was collected and sent to a laboratory for testing. The Frangomil corporate farm is about 1,000 meters down the road from the Parazzi farm. The case is being investigated by the Associao Brasileira das Pesquisas Ufologicas (ABPU), a ufology group based in Rio Grande do Sul.

(See the newspaper Correio do Povo for March 1 and March 3, 1997)

THREE FIREBALLS LIGHT UP
SKIES OVER CROATIA

On Saturday, February 22, 1997, a party of young men and women traveled by motorboat from Dubrovnik, Croatia to Lokrum, an uninhabited offshore island in the Adriatic Sea. The island is about 8 kilometers (5 miles) southeast of Dubrovnik.

At 10:05 p.m., eyewitness Damir Nozica spotted three fireballs rising from the south side of the island. Flying in formation, the fireballs made a "six to ten degree turn toward the west and really lit up the sky."

"It all happened really quickly," Nozica reported. "I was looking at the stars, trying to locate Hale-Bopp which could be seen in the eastern sky. That's when I saw them. They were 'floating' at about 30 degrees above the horizon, southeast over Lokrum." The "fireballs" had no comet-like tails and "There was no reflection on the surface of the sea, therefore I concluded they had to be behind the clouds and far away. How far away--I cannot tell for sure. Their color was orange to yellow...They rocketed straight up. I could not tell their direction because I lost them. No track, nothing. Gone. Speed of flight, you ask? Ha! It wasn't at the speed of light, but it was close to it."

Damir thinks they've seen the last of UFOs because "nothing much ever happens around here." Don't bet the rent money on that, my friend.
(Email Interview)

DAYLIGHT DISC SPOTTED IN TAKAPUNA, NEW ZEALAND

On Saturday, February 15, 1997, several people living in Takapuna, a city on New Zealand's North Island, about 16 kilometers (10 miles) north of Auckland, saw a gray saucer passing overhead. The sky was clear except for a few broken clouds, and the object was perfectly visible. The sighting took place at 10 a.m. and was reported on the shortwave station Radio Pacific.

Described as "a large disc-shaped object, mostly gray in color," the UFO appeared to be rotating or spinning. Witnesses said the outer rim of the saucer did the spinning, while "the core or centre remained stable."

The saucer arrived from the direction of Auckland and flew away to the northwest, heading out over the East Coast Bays toward Kawau Island.

(Many thanks to Ross Dowe of Australia's National 24-Hour UFO Hotline for this story.)

TWO SAUCERS SPAR OVER CENTRAL DENMARK

On December 26, 1996, a student teacher looked out the window of a college building in Ebeltoft, Denmark and spied a UFO. He then phoned three other students in the building.

"What they saw were two flying objects having a dogfight in the sky. The UFOs were orange-yellow. They watched this for 15 minutes until a jetliner landed at the airport about 10 kilometers (6 miles) away. They were surrounded by a strange light and took off towards the south-southeast."

(Many thanks to Danish ufologist Jorgen Glud for this story.)

FUN UFO WEBSITES

Watch for more UFO news from north of the USA/Canada border at Jacques Poulet's site, SOS OVNI QUEBEC. You'll find them at <http://www.cam.org/~martinc/index.html>

For a good selection of articles in UFOs, crop circles, ESP and the paranormal, it's hard to beat Paul Vigay's site, devoted to the UK's Independent Research Centre for Unexplained Phenomena (IRCUP). It's at <http://rainbow.medbury.com/enigma/index.html>

Donald R. Schmitt and Kevin D. Randle put out a slick quarterly magazine called the Roswell Reporter, which covers the latest news in the ongoing Roswell investigations. Check out their new website at this address: <http://www.OrionWorks.com/roswell/>

It had to happen. Those pesky black helicopters have finally gotten their own page. Mary Heffernan has five color photos of them doing nothing more sinister than flying around Pennsylvania. Drop in at Mary's new site at <http://www.interactive.net/~bridget>

Don't miss our parent site, UFO INFO. John Hayes keeps it up-to-the-minute with the latest in UFO-related features. Check it out at <http://www.fttech.net/~ufoinfo/index.htm>

And for back issues of this newsletter, try <http://www.fttech.net/~ufoinfo/roundup.htm>.

That's it for this week. To our readers in Melbourne--I hope you had a fun-filled Koomba celebration last week. Remember, if you have a UFO story to report, email the details to us at Masinaigan@aol.com.

If you come across a UFO story in your local newspaper, clip it out and send it to our snail-mail address: UFO ROUNDUP, Box 16, 126 Toll Gate Road, Warwick, Rhode Island USA 02886.

Here's wishing all our readers a pleasant week from "the paper that covers the saucers, UFO ROUNDUP."

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UFO UDate: Townes/NASA query

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Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 19:56:04 -0500
Subject: UFO UDate: Townes/NASA query

Some questions about the appended post (below) for anyone in a position to know or find out:

1. Is there really a British mag named "Alien Encounters"? If so, how reputable is it?
2. Is anyone familiar with the TV talk show mentioned in the post?
3. Has anyone heard of Dr. Aldrich F. Townes in any other context?
4. In short, are this post and its topic possibly valid, or just another example of creative internet fiction?

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Post appended below ...
[Note: post has been slightly modified to conform to Updates' line length standards].
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From: "Mark Hall" <mark@black.softnet.co.uk>
Newsgroups: alt.alien.visitors
Subject: NASA Accusation
Date: 7 Mar 1997 11:19:10 GMT

I've just bought the latest issue of the British mag 'Alien Encounters' (Issue 10 April 1997).

In it, there is an article about the appearance of a former NASA scientist's appearance on the public access TV talk show 'Bob Grumman's Out There' on Washington DC TV station 'WAFL-14'. The Scientist's name was Dr. Aldrich F Townes. He joined NASA in 1974, and worked for various parts of the space agency, including the National Space Science Data Centre (NSSDC), and the Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI).

The show was transmitted on February 9th 1997 at 11pm. Dr. Townes said that he believes 'NASA is involved in a cover up about alien life'. He explained his credentials, including that his involvement with the Hubble Space Telescope led him to discover that certain images from the telescope were not being released to the public, or even the scientists who were supposedly in charge of the device itself.

'Space Telescope has a military as well as a scientific agenda' said Townes. 'It is being used by our military to maintain a watch on the moon, as well as several non-planetary bodies within our solar system.' When asked by Grumman, to elaborate, he said 'The moon is being used as a base of operations by intelligent extraterrestrials for their activities on Earth.'

Townes began to accuse senior NASA officials of deliberately conspiring to suppress this information, when WAFL's transmissions ceased.

An employee of the TV station said that the building was raided by Washington police, and men and women supposed to be from the FBI. Townes was said to have allowed himself to be taken away by the agents.

To date it is said that Townes has not reappeared in public,

and his phone and email accounts have been disconnected.

The official explanation for the loss of transmission has been attributed to a 'power outage'. There have been accusations that the government maintains the ability to cut transmissions by any TV station, if it broadcasts anything damaging. This is in clear violation of the US First Amendment.

Does anyone have any information regarding this article?

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The Budd Hopkins/John Mack Event - A Review

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
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Subject: The Budd Hopkins/John Mack Event - A Review

Hello All,

Well the long awaited 'Great Debate' on Friday night, came and went with a wheeze and a whimper! Although that wasn't what it was supposed to be.

It was good, don't get me wrong. Just not the planned debate between the two most well known proponents of the abduction phenom. Budd Hopkins and Dr. John Mack both gave compelling and informative opening statements. (In spite of being handicapped by a piss-poor sound system and crew.) And then, the moderator, one Christopher Lydon, proceeded to 'take the elevator - right to the basement!'

He immediately proclaimed his skepticism and informed the audience that he proposed to have Budd and John address the issues of proof and possibility. Although that might have been O-K at any other time, that's not what the well informed crowd of about 750 were there to hear. Several people expressed their disappointment to me privately afterwards.

Mr Lydon was supposed to facilitate and fuel a lively and hopefully enlightening discussion between Budd and John regarding their current findings and philosophies re: alien abduction. That, didn't happen. All that Mr Lydon succeeded in doing was uniting the two in their responses to his rather basic (and already asked and answered a thousand times) lame questions. Mr Lydon should have done his homework and at least familiarized himself with the published works of the two gentlemen that he was to moderate for. I'm a former "dropout" and at a minimum, even I would have taken the time to do that!

Mr Lydon, who hosts a local Boston radio show, cut Budd and Johns dialog off early so that he could loudly proclaim, (and I quote) "Let's go to the phones!" He shortened what could have been an informative discussion so that he could take an hour and a half of audience questions! Not only that, but he didn't tell the people to keep their questions concise. Folks just ambled up to the mikes and launched into dissertations of personal philosophy and opinion **without** fear of interruption from Mr Lydon.

All in all, Budd and John were great. They are both intelligent and extremely articulate advocates for a subject that generates much heated debate and emotion. It's just a shame that we lost an opportunity to finally put the "good alien, bad alien" discussion to bed. Budd and John are not only individually far beyond that, but they're much closer in their individual takes on all of this than most are led to believe by all of the peripheral hype surrounding them.

Budd and John are two of the finest human beings I have met. Men of character.

I'll see you guys "out there!"

John Velez

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Houston Chronicle UFO article - 03-09-97

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Pat: This story is running in today's [Houston] Chronicle and
<http://www.chron.com/>

West Columbia library, doctor have their own 'X files'

By STEVE OLAFSON Copyright 1997 Houston Chronicle

WEST COLUMBIA -- The search for extraterrestrial intelligence probably goes on in important, top-secret places, but in this small town 50 miles south of Houston, look no further than the public library.

In West Columbia, population 4,372, the library is UFO Central.

It not only keeps a healthy sampling of reading material on unidentified flying objects; it also plays host to occasional meetings of sky watchers who swap UFO stories and view videotapes of blinking lights they believe to be alien spacecraft.

As a result, people with UFO tales tend to confide in the town librarian, Sally Taylor, a good-natured woman who listens patiently and keeps an open mind.

"It's very prevalent in this area," advises Taylor. "There are so many people that come in and say something's happened to them. I just give them Doc's number."

"Doc" is what everybody calls M.D. Wagner, who is not a doctor but is the unofficial leader and father confessor of UFO watchers in Brazoria County.

A soft-spoken man of 60 who lives in a log cabin west of town near the San Bernard River, Wagner, a Dow Chemical Co. retiree, has been organizing UFO meetings open to the public since 1992. He admits his wife, Rose, "thought I flipped" when he told her of his plans to hold his first UFO talk at the American Legion Hall in Brazoria about five years ago.

Since then, the Wagners have remained married, and he's still holding meetings, the last one convening on a recent rainy night.

He warmed up the crowd by saying: "Brazoria County is a real hot spot -- has been for a long time. UFOs are real. Where they're from, I don't know."

A group of 17 spectators listened patiently before speaking up.

A nurse told of seeing three aircraft emerge from a larger object in the night sky. "They circled the mother ship three times," she said.

A middle-aged man in a gimme cap said alien visitors are interested in mining sulphur from the Damon area.

"They're watching us. They're studying us," he said, adding that he has suffered "missing time." In UFO parlance, that means he has been abducted but cannot recall what occurred because the aliens wiped his memory clean.

A woman seated next to him said she has been having flashbacks of being interrogated by men dressed in white smocks.

No one batted an eye at the stories, which went on for about two hours, except for an elderly woman who occasionally cast glances to either side and muttered, "My God."

These UFO believers are not alone. A poll conducted in 1995 by the Scripps Howard News Service and Ohio University in Athens found half of all Americans believe flying saucers could be real and the federal government is covering up what it knows about extraterrestrial beings.

In 1990, a Gallup Poll found 47 percent of Americans believe UFOs are real.

Brazoria County UFO watchers don't need opinion polls to assure them in their beliefs, however. Still, the UFO meetings seem to serve a purpose similar to group therapy: It gets people together and lets them talk about subjects they might not feel comfortable discussing elsewhere.

The nurse who spoke of three aircraft emerging from the "mothership," for instance, admitted she had not told anyone about what she saw for two years until she attended the UFO meeting.

"I didn't realize there was this much of it going on," she said, sounding relieved that other people have seen things similar to what she described.

Indeed, Bill Bertram, a 65-year-old Navy veteran and former West Columbia city councilman, says the UFO meetings have given many Brazoria County residents the courage to come forward.

"They've been keeping it to themselves all this time, thinking, 'Who's gonna believe me?' They're starting to come out of the woodwork now," said Bertram, who says he spotted his first UFO five years ago.

Of course, there are plenty of people who wouldn't dream of going to one of the UFO get-togethers at the library -- including some people who have seen startling, unexplained things in the sky.

Nancy Markham's husband, for example, was driving home on Texas 36 the night of Feb. 5 when he saw a formation of blinking red lights bigger than a football field pass overhead.

"It shook him up," she said. "He doesn't believe in this UFO stuff, but he almost went off the road and the guy behind him did run off the road. He really thought he was gonna see it on the 6 o'clock news."

Markham, a 52-year-old retired hairdresser, asked that her husband's name not be disclosed. She couldn't convince him to come to the library and talk about what he saw.

"He says that's just for people with nothing better to do than sit around and gossip," she said.

Maybe so, but plenty of people think otherwise.

"I could easily go into denial and become a total skeptic," declares Pat Parrinello, 48, a West Columbia computer programmer who helps Wagner organize the UFO meetings. "But I want to know where the suckers are coming from."

If enough other people do, the UFO meetings may become regular monthly affairs.

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Re: 'Libel'

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Subject: Re: 'Libel'

> Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 12:02:43 -0500
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Libel'

> >Date: 18 Feb 97 12:49:44 EST
> >From: Andy Roberts <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
> >To: UFO Updates <updates@globalserve.net>
> >Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Libel'

> >I'm sorry to bore list members with UFO politics but I can't let
> >Stan Friedman get away with this:

> >Stan Friedman wrote:

> >>Concerning Andy Roberts charge re my libel suit, he is off the wall.
> >>I sued the Manchester Evening News and Jenny and Bufora, (since she
> >>was acting in her role as their director of research) for defamation
> >>in a long and very nasty article appearing on a Saturday before my
> >>Sunday lecture in Manchester.

> >It wasn't 'nasty', it reflected opinion about someone who held very
> >strange beliefs. Are you scared of opinion Stan? Interestingly enough
> >more people became aware of the issues as a result of your lawsuit
> >than were before. Funny way of not wanting to be 'defamed'.

> Okay, so, where's the article!?! Let's somebody post it so we can
> all see it.

> Thanks, take care.
> John.

In response to John Powell's March 9 request for the article(s), I thought I had offered to provide copies of all the relevant articles, letters etc concerning the libel battle between Jenny and myself. I don't have a scanner, have had email problems and have been gone most of the past 2 weeks and will be gone most of the next 6 weeks. I will include for those wanting to spend the effort, the press release which had appeared in the MEN and apparently gave Jenny fits because it referred to me as one of the world's top ufologists.. I was sponsored by Harry Harris and in her backyard.. obviously an unforgiveable act. The vitriol and sour grapes followed despite her having said good things about my research in one of her books and there having been no altercation between us.

It was not a difference of opinion. She complained about opinions that I had never held and had fought against. She commented falsely about what would be in the lecture which she hadn't heard and she lied by putting the blame on the paper for her defamation.

I can understand that writers Peter Brookesmith and Andy Roberts and Fortean Times editor Rickard are angry at Harry and me. The notion that because not all read the MEN means it doesn't matter if someone is libelled there, surely is ridiculous. More than 98% of Americans don't read the NY Times either. Also as a matter of fact I have given a dozen lectures in a dozen cities in the UK over the past few years including again in Manchester.

A key event which may explain the false claims currently being made was the debate at the Oxford University Debating Society in October 1995.

The Topic " This house believes that intelligent alien Life has visited the planet Earth". The affirmative side consisted of a clever but ufologically ignorant student, solicitor Harry Harris, and myself. The opposition consisted of 2 clever but ignorant students and Peter Brookesmith. Susan Blackmore, a psychologist who has said good things about Persinger's notions about temporal lobe epilepsy, was to be on Peter's side, but didn't show up. Harry Harris had already obtained professional medical opinions that her suggestions about temporal lobe epilepsy made no sense. Harry presented some audio tapes of abduction hypnosis sessions. I presented a number of slides of data from BB Special Report 14, The UFO Evidence, Hynek's the UFO Experience, The Condon Report, The UFO Evidence and the Congressional Hearings of 1968 (with testimony from 12 scientists).

Peter, the last speaker, totally ignored all the data that had been presented and read quotes from contactees and tabloids. Perhaps not surprisingly, the final vote of the members of the society turned out with 60% indicating that the affirmative side (Harry and I) had won the debate . Peter, I suppose to his credit, not too long thereafter, ordered copies of about all of my papers... just a bit late.

Rickard for whom Peter had written much, had commissioned an article for Fortean Times about the debate, but then refused to run it. I suppose he expected that Peter would be triumphant over this nasty lawyer and this upstart Canadian American physicist who comes on so strongly pro ET and had the gall to sue the UK's "only professional ufologist" (Jenny) and research director for Bufora at that. Graham Birdsall's UFO Magazine had an excellent article about the debate. Free speech guys? Or only for those with whom you agree? I guess the rule is don't let the facts get in the way of a good story.
Stan Friedman

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Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

From: "Derrel" <derrel@holman.net>
Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 16:56:05 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 20:04:45 -0500
Subject: Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

> From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?
> Date: Sunday, March 09, 1997 6:40 AM

> From: <http://www.artbell.com/files/chupa5.txt>

> Date: 2-27-97
> To: artbell@aol.com
> From: ?????@?????.com

> Hello Art,

> Derik Lattig in San Antonio here. I thought you would want to know
> that my TV station has obtained photos of a chupacabra captured in
> a trap just south of San Antonio. A rancher took photos of the
> beast and brought them to us. He claims there were three, one in
> the trap and two others jumping up and down and they ran when he
> approached. I'll try my best to describe the photos for you.

[snip]

Dear ebk: the story actually broke on radio by jeff rensen. Michael just happened to be on the program at the time. Jeff Rensen is the person who has the story. His email is included. Jeff should be the contact person for 1st level of information. Please speak with him.

Derrel Sims, C.Ht., R.H.A.
FIRST - Fund for Interactive Research and Space Tecnology
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I have Jeff Rensen's E-Mail address should anyone need it.

ebk

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Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 19:48:59 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 22:44:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

X-Sender: updates@mail.globalserve.net
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Date: Thu, 27 Feb 1997 07:05:23 -0500
To: updates@globalserve.net
From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Wed, 26 Feb 1997 17:58:30 -0500 (EST)
To: updates@globalserve.net
Subject: Devereux-Rutowski:EL/TST

Hello Paul,

I am a person who believes in the possibility of ELs & EQLs as related to TST and that they may indeed represent _a small percentage_ of the already investigated cases of UFOs. Furthermore, I personally support any efforts scientists make in furthering their knowledge regarding these highly interesting topics.

However, as previously mentioned with regards to its applications to UFOs, I believe your theory has tended to neglect the fact that many ufologists already mentally put these "nocturnal light" cases in a lesser category, in view of the fact that out of the multitude of cases in existence, they are _lesser detailed cases_, and by definition, concern amorphous, rather than, "visibly-structured" objects. Therefore, although your work is highly interesting and will probably help us become aware of certain natural phenomena that exist on and within our planet, its applications to UFO sightings per se are necessarily limited.

Many researchers prefer to address cases which are "higher-detailed" "witness-supported" and, certainly where possible, "radar-visual" supported as well.

Even if one focuses on "nocturnal light" cases, one must realize that there are different sub-classifications of this grouping as well. It logically must be ascertained what motion the lights are making; whether simply floating in a random pattern or making what appear to be non-random, or what might be considered, "intelligent" moves. Are they interacting with one another? Exactly what type of interaction? Are they found within or out of the atmosphere? Has one or more of them shot off into outer space? How do ELs or EQLs normally maneuver? Are the nocturnal lights in question behaving like normal ELs & EQLs or is their pattern actually inconsistent with same? Each individual case must be carefully examined one at a time to see if it conforms or deviates from an established "norm" for ELs, EQLs, etc.

Oh, by the way, do you feel that "norm" is actually established? If so, could you possibly point me to this information? I truly would be most thankful to have this data against which to evaluate cases.

What I find myself objecting to most concerning the presentations I have seen concerning Persinger's work is that it has been touted, by the media, as being the "solution" to the UFO enigma. If Persinger feels any differently, he most certainly has a major scientific obligation to correct this. Until he does, all protestations to the contrary, no serious UFO researcher can consider what he is doing as "scientifically ethical" and, at the minimum, to those researchers, everything else he states regarding the issue is thereby justifiably

suspect as well.

A skeptic writing to this mail list on 13 Feb. 97 wrote:

>And I'm sufficiently impressed by what I know is "in the pipeline"
>to think *some* UFOs are caused by *some* kind of natural light
>phenomenon *somehow* caused by tectonic events (or *some* of them),
>at least probably.snip....

Most UFO researchers have never said any different and I couldn't agree more. Please note the repeated use of the words "some" & "somehow." However, anyone that thinks they have solved the _entire_ UFO enigma by simply studying nocturnal "lights" and their causes or claiming "_most_ people who see UFOs must be hallucinating" because his "helmet" data tells him so, is unfortunately oblivious to a wide spectrum of UFO data gathered over many years by competent researchers. Although much of the data is not numerical, some of it is and certainly undeniably real and to be taken seriously.

To become a little more acquainted with where some of the better cases may reside and to appreciate why gaps exist in our present knowledge, I would recommend reading the following 7-part rebuttal which I wrote to answer an essay James Oberg wrote in his effort to downplay Gordon Cooper's UFO claims. These are archived at the following Web address along with Mr. Oberg's original essay:

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/c/cohen/>

Since I know your time is limited (as ours is too), beginning with "O/C rebuttal: part 2" might be logical, as it presents one small piece of "UFO data" for one's evaluation. Perhaps you could tell us how this case might fit with your theories or possibly have "other scientists you know" explain it for us.

As Chris pointed out along the way, a relatively large number of sightings are not so easily explained by any of the theories your group is investigating. A number of the sightings to which I am referring are of _structured craft_ of various types that have been documented as interacting with people; some times large groups of people. If you have not read it recently or are not familiar with it, the following Blue Book case (Exeter, N.H., 1965) archived at the following addresses, may possibly be enlightening:

Exeter 1/2 <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/jan/m26-010.shtml>
Exeter 2/2 <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/jan/m26-008.shtml>

The Exeter case was taken in its entirety from: Hynek, J. Allen . "The Hynek UFO Report" . paperback, pp 154-166 . Dell Publishing Co. 1977 : which gleaned a basic portion of its material directly from the Air Force's Project Blue Book files. (If you do not have Web access for any reason, I would be happy to send it to you by email.)

Paul, I can't help but wonder where "_Exeter_" fits in your theories? I am curious as to what tectonic, electromagnetic, etc. forces you feel may have caused all the people in varied circumstance, in this case, to "mass hallucinate" the exact object they have separately related therein. There were approximately 60 or so witnesses to this case. Any "newbies" to our mail list who perhaps may be reading "Exeter" for the first time might, after reading same, then possibly examine both your accumulated data and Mr. Persinger's to see if they find any solid answers to "Exeter" residing therein.

I am sure you can direct us to these. If I've already missed this, I apologize as I was not able to follow the entire thread of your conversation with Chris. Perhaps this might be a good time to convey this again to those who might also have missed it.

Thank you.

Respectfully,
Jerry Cohen

E-mail: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>

P.S. As all letters to this mail list, this letter is being archived on the Web at the following address.

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/>

It can be found by locating the approximate date of this post and

then finding the subject "Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST" listed therein. Reading it there will permit one to click on the addresses and go directly to the articles mentioned herein.

P.P.S. Forthcoming will be Dr. Hynek's reevaluation of Blue Book unidentifieds and a detailing of the classification system he gave us back in 1972. I am doing this so readers can clearly see where TST and its related theories presently stand in the grand scheme of things regarding UFOs.

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Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 19:26:25 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 05:39:50 -0500
Subject: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

UpDates--

Has anyone seen the new "alien" photo posted on www.strieber.com?

<http://www.strieber.com/ufonews/ebphoto.html>

I believe this is a model from the movie "The Arrival." If anyone can confirm this I'd appreciate it.

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Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 05:37:30 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 05:37:30 -0500
Subject: Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 12:20:02 -0500
To: updates@globalserve.net
From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Subject: Chupa photo fake!

Hello All,

I downloaded the 'chupacabra' photo from the Art Bell website

<http://www.artbell.com/images/chupa5.jpg>

and inspected it on my Powermac using Adobe photoshop.

If you enlarge the image until the pixels begin to take on their familiar box shape, and then peruse the area where the spikes on the creatures back join the body it's easy to see where a "blur" tool was used to hide the "seam" where two images were artificially sewn together. [See attached file] Other opinions please.

Bing! Sorry, no cigar. Next contestant please. <G>

John Velez

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: **Mike Smith** <mickey@anix.co.uk>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 11:21:51 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 07:29:52 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

Mac Tonnies wrote:

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> can confirm this I'd appreciate it.

Yep, Could be from The Arrival, need to see back of head to be sure.

This photo has been floating around for a while, but it definitely looks like the one of the aliens from Arrival. As I watched the film last night the images are still fresh in my mind.

[Question]

Was the film a proper feature film, or was it a pilot for a TV series. Looked like a pilot to me. Awful film, Reasonable special effects.

If you haven't seen it don't bother.
[Not even in Dolby Surround. Boo Hoo, Sniff]

Regards,

Mike

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From: XianneKei@aol.com
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Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 07:28:14 -0500
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From: UFO UpDates
Posted: 05-30-96
By: Errol Bruce-Knapp

The last Wednesday of each month usually means the MUFON Ontario General Meeting. This month we had some additional business to=20 attend to - a 9:30pm screening of David Twohy's 'The Arrival'=20 starring Charlie Sheen, Linsay Crouse, Teri Pulo and Ron Silver.=20

The PR company sent us twenty double passes, we called the=20 meeting at 8:45, drove to uptown Toronto and most of us made it into the theatre in time. Most, because at least eight of us=20 didn't make it into the show. Why do some screenings have more tickets printed for them than there are seats in the house?

'The Arrival', is a slickly produced, tightly edited and directed,=20 suspense thriller that harks back to the age of 'Sci-Fi, 'B'-movies. It moves well, has a couple of scenes that drew sharp breathes=20 and "eee-ews" from the audience and had a fair number of bums=20 squirming but the real star is the sound-track . It's worth the price=20 of admission to hear how effectively the multi-channel sound=20 system is used.

The story line is classic 'aliens arrive and prepare to take over the world, posing as us and using their superior technology and our stupidity against us' - some might call it "trite and contrived". Twohy's script had a couple of 'Hitch Hikers Guide' references, almost back to back that amused me. The special effects are well put together 'eye-candy' and the 'Arctic Pull-back' is very nicely done - don't arrive late, you may miss it.

In the light of all the UFO shows currently on tv it'll do well for=20 a couple of weeks and then it'll be forgotten.

ebk

From: http://www.canoe.ca/JamMovies/arrival_hobson.html

The Sun Group of Newspapers
Friday May 31, 1996

Welcome Arrival

By LOUIS B. HOBSON
Calgary Sun

We are not alone. We haven't been since the 1950s when aliens made their primal invasion of Hollywood.

Aliens have become as popular a film staple as cowboys, cops, gangsters and prostitutes with golden hearts.

The celluloid aliens of yesteryear were often thinly-disguised metaphors for communism. They walked among us and passed for us until a few astute humans discovered their ominous presence and even more ominous plot -- they were going to destroy our civilization and take our place.

Two of the best and creepiest alien encounter films of the '50s were Invasion Of The Body Snatchers and I Married A Monster From Outer Space.

Charlie Sheen's The Arrival pays homage to Snatchers Monsters, throwing in a few nods and winks to another '50s creature flick, The Blob.

Sheen plays Zane Siminski, a radio astronomer working for America's Search For Extra Terrestrial Intelligence program.

One evening, Zane and his partner intercept what they believe to be a communication from the stars. The more Zane tries to convince people, the more strange things begin happening.

Zane has stumbled on a terrifying truth. The communication he intercepted was not from the stars to Earth -- but from Earth to the stars. The aliens are already here.

They have learned to morph themselves into human form and are occupying top positions in government organizations around the world.

It's a familiar yarn, but writer/director David Twohy has been clever enough to present it in the guise of a suspense thriller.

Twohy wrote The Fugitive, Waterworld and Alien 3 and the best elements of each can be found in his screenplay for The Arrival.

From The Fugitive, he borrowed the tension and suspense of a chase. Zane becomes a fugitive with the alien hit squad always just one step behind him.

And Twohy saw how a precocious youngster gave Waterworld much of its humor, so he incorporated young Tony T. Johnson into this scenario. Zane takes the teen under his wing when everyone else, including his girlfriend (Terri Polo) suspects him.

Ron Silver makes a nasty villain as Zane's boss. Twohy cleverly tips the audience off immediately that Silver is not what he seems, increasing the danger for Zane.

The Arrival is hardly original or ground-breaking, but it is competent, exciting and fun, so it is a welcome arrival.

CHARLIE SHEEN ... He plays a radio astronomer who discovers unfriendly extra-terrestrials in The Arrival.

Sun Rating: 3 out of 5

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The Toronto Sun
Fri, May 31, 1996

The laughter is out there

By BRUCE KIRKLAND
Toronto Sun

The Arrival leaves me laughing. Too bad it's not supposed to be a comedy.

Working as an alien encounter story with 'spectacular' special

effects designed to divert attention from the stupid story, The=20
Arrival casts Charlie Sheen as a genius-level radio astronomer=20
working for the U.S. space agency NASA.

He discovers that extra-terrestrials are sending messages to=20
Earth. And answering them back from Mexico. Which means 'they'=20
are already among us and decidedly unfriendly, a riff on the=20
familiar themes of Invasion Of The Body Snatchers. These ETs are=20
heating up Earth's atmosphere to make the planet ore hospitable=20
for them. An eco-disaster, oh horrors!

When Sheen makes his discoveries, he delivers the information in=20
manic, bug-eyed fashion. So others think he is insane.

Which scores a point for writer and director David Twohy. Sheen,=20
one of Hollywood's true eccentrics, plays crazy like crazy. It's=20
the genius part of his role that inspires giggles in the=20
audience. Sheen acts intelligent by spewing out meaningless=20
scientific bafflelegab that Twohy penned. Meanwhile, Sheen's=20
character is fighting with his stockbroker girlfriend (Teri Polo,=20
playing a movie 'babe' with brains), and getting fired by his=20
NASA boss (Ron Silver), who is a cold-hearted slimeball. Which is=20
all Silver ever plays so it's never a surprise to find out he's=20
the master villain.

Sheen hightails down to Mexico, finds the aliens' hidden=20
powerplant, tangles with the obligatory sleazy Mexican police=20
(racism, methinks), dodges destruction by bathtub (must be seen=20
to be believed), avoids the scorpions, doesn't die of dysentery=20
and resists getting romantic with Lindsay Crouse.

Now there's some wasted talent. Crouse, once an Oscar nominee,=20
plays a feisty atmospheric scientist doing field studies on the=20
disruptions the alien powerplant is creating. Her contribution is=20
too brief but memorable. Her sexual tease of Sheen is the movie's=20
only real human scene, making the rest of the generic hocus-pocus=20
all the more empty and emotionless.

Twohy, making his feature directorial debut after writing movies=20
such as The Fugitive and Waterworld, makes the simple-minded plot=20
unnecessarily convoluted. And boring. Crouse aside, the on-screen=20
humans are either robots like Polo or idiots like Sheen. The=20
humanoid aliens are the usual zombies.

The only shred of originality in the movie comes in the terrific=20
scenes of the aliens as their otherworldly selves. Cool, because=20
they invoke the 1950s/'60s legacy of Ray Harryhausen's FX (Jason=20
And The Argonauts) and still manage to carve out some new visual=20
territory in the digital effects explosion.

But just when things are getting good, the movie shifts back to=20
Sheen acting silly. I could just scream ... or laugh.

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Sun Rating: 2 out of 5=20

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http://www.thestar.com/thestar/editorial/entertainment/B0b3_MO-ARRIVAL31.htm

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The Toronto Star
May 31, 1996=20

Charlie Sheen's comeback carried off by inept aliens=20

The Arrival PG

Starring Charlie Sheen, Ron Silver
and Teri Polo, written and directed
by David Twohy. At Cineplex Odeon theatres.=20

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By Rob Salem - Toronto Star Movie Critic=20

The score is Earth 1, Aliens 0.=20

The Arrival is the first off the mark (launch pad? mysterious=20 crop circle?) in this, the summer of the return of the alien=20 invasion flick.

Next up, the double-threat July 3 releases of the all-star evil=20 alien epic, Independence Day, and the smaller-scale Phenomenon,=20 in which John Travolta is zapped super-smart by apparently more=20 benevolent extra-terrestrials.

The Arrival's Charlie Sheen should be so lucky.

Not that Sheen isn't entirely convincing as an edgy, sweaty,=20 bug-eyed paranoid who suddenly claims to hear voices from the=20 sky.

Indeed, that may be the problem - that, and Sheen's creative=20 decision to adopt the look and manner of the latter-day Judd=20 Nelson.

It's a judgment call whether it is Sheen who drags the movie=20 down, or whether the movie was headed there anyway, and Sheen is=20 just along for the ride.

Either way, The Arrival is quite laughably awful, a tired spin on=20 the old aliens-among-us scenario, in which the disguised aliens'=20 only distinguishing characteristic is the fact that they've got=20 their legs on backwards.

What a give-away - and an absolute hoot, once the tide has turned=20 and they have to make a run for it.

Even for a bad alien conspiracy movie, The Arrival takes an=20 inordinate amount of time getting to the point - a good hour=20 drags by before they reveal either the conspiracy (world=20 domination, of course) or the aliens (fish-faced freakos with=20 those crazy legs).

Only then, and all too briefly, does the movie suddenly shudder=20 to life, with an underground tour of an alien outpost as=20 imaginative as any we've seen on screen, a credit to its=20 first-time director, genre scribbler David Twohy (The Fugitive,=20 Waterworld, Alien 3).

And then it's over, and we're back with Charlie Sheen, our only=20 respite the occasional presence of Ron Silver (bad guy) or=20 Lindsay Crouse (doomed colleague), both of whom seem slightly=20 embarrassed, as if they're both thinking "What am I doing here?="20 I've done Mamet, damn it!"

The aliens may be coming - they may already be here. If The=20 Arrival is any indication, we have absolutely nothing to worry=20 about.

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Unidentified Floating Object!

From: Patricia Mason <pmason@ee.net>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 07:35:00 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 09:22:23 -0500
Subject: Unidentified Floating Object!

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From: (ALZN26A) SUSANN MCCLEMENT
Subject: FW: Darwin Awards
Date: 03/08
Time: 02:30 PM

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You'll recall a Darwin award from not too long ago where a guy decided to strap a cargo plane rocket booster to his car to see how fast it would go, and ended up hitting a cliff several hundred feet in the air.

Here's one more.....

This story was clipped from the recent Darwin awards, which people get for doing something incredibly stupid. These are true stories.

Here's the winner: Larry Walters is among the relatively few who have actually turned their dreams into reality. His story is true, as hard as you may find it to believe . . .

Larry was a truck driver, but his lifelong dream was to fly. When he graduated from high school, he joined the Air Force in hopes of becoming a pilot. Unfortunately, poor eyesight disqualified him. So when he finally left the service, he had to satisfy himself with watching others fly the fighter jets that crisscrossed the skies over his backyard. As he sat there in his lawn chair, he dreamed about the magic of flying.

Then one day, Larry had an idea. He went down to the local Army-Navy surplus store and bought forty-five weather balloons, and several tanks of helium. These were not your brightly colored party balloons, these were heavy-duty spheres measuring more than four feet across when fully inflated. Back in his yard, Larry used straps to attach the balloons to his lawn chair, the kind you might have in your backyard. He anchored the chair to the bumper of his jeep, and inflated the balloons with helium. Then he packed a few sandwiches and drinks, and a loaded BB gun, figuring he could pop a few balloons when it was time to return to earth. His preparations complete, Larry sat in his chair and cut the anchoring cord. His plan was to lazily float into the sky, and eventually back to terra firma. But things didn't quite work out that way. When Larry cut the cord, he didn't float lazily up; he shot up as if fired from a cannon! Nor did he go up a couple hundred feet. He climbed and climbed until he finally leveled off at eleven thousand feet! At that height, he could hardly risk deflating any of the balloons, lest he unbalance the load and really experience flying. So he stayed up there, sailing around for fourteen hours, totally at a loss about how to get down.

Eventually, Larry drifted into the approach corridor for Los Angeles International Airport. A Pan Am pilot radioed the tower about passing a guy in a lawn chair at eleven thousand feet, with a gun in his lap. . . now there's a conversation I would have given anything to have heard! LAX is right on the ocean, and you

may know that at nightfall, the winds on the coast begin to change. So, as dusk fell, Larry began drifting out to sea. At that point, the Navy dispatched a helicopter to rescue him, but the rescue team had a hard time getting to him because the draft from their propeller kept pushing his home-made contraption farther and farther away. Eventually, they were able to hover above him and drop a rescue line, with which they gradually hauled him back to safety. As soon as Larry hit the ground, he was arrested. But as he was led away in handcuffs, a television reporter called out, "Sir, why'd you do it?" Larry stopped, eyed the man, then replied nonchalantly, "A man can't just sit around!"

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Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

From: budscan@juno.com (Bud Jamison)
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 07:25:32 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:39:45 -0500
Subject: Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

>Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 12:20:02 -0500
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>Subject: Chupa photo fake!

>I downloaded the 'chupacabra' photo from the Art Bell website
>and inspected it on my Powermac using Adobe photoshop.

>Bing! Sorry, no cigar. Next contestant please. <G>

Hell, I didn't even have to do THAT. I just looked at the pix with XTree, and it was pretty obvious to me that it was a 'manufactured' photo.

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Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 07:27:09 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:42:49 -0500
Subject: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

> To: updates@GLOBALSERVE.NET
> Subject: Strieber's new "Stunning Alien Photo"

> UpDates--

> Has anyone seen the new "alien" photo posted on www.strieber.com?

> Mac Tonnies

Good lord, it looks like Granny Clampett!!

Jerry Washington
SD Kentucky/MUFON

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From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 07:27:09 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:41:19 -0500
Subject: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

> To: updates@GLOBALSERVE.NET
> Subject: Strieber's new "Stunning Alien Photo"

> UpDates--

> Has anyone seen the new "alien" photo posted on www.strieber.com?

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Protection against Martian microbes

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 00:45:42 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:44:17 -0500
Subject: Protection against Martian microbes

After Dolly, Martian microbes?

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(Mar 8, 1997 01:02 a.m. EST) - Now that you're getting used to the idea of cloned sheep, it's time for a new worry: Martian microbes.

In the next decade or so, a NASA space probe may transport Martian rocks to Earth. The rocks might contain alien microbes, a National Research Council panel said Thursday.

While "it is doubtful that (the microbes) could adapt to Earth's environment or cause significant harm, the risk is not zero," the council warned.

So as part of a "planetary protection policy," the council urges NASA to be prepared, if necessary, to:

-- Sterilize a returning robot probe, perhaps in space, before it returns to Earth.

-- Or leave the probe in space where alien microbes wouldn't hurt anyone.

Rock samples "should be isolated physically and biologically and regarded as hazardous until proved otherwise," says a council summary of the report, written by 12 scientists.

The council is the research arm of the National Academy of Sciences, the nation's most distinguished scientific organization. In a sense, the academy is the Supreme Court of science: It advises the federal government on scientific issues, and its counsel often sways national policy on technical topics.

In August, a scientific team from NASA, Stanford and elsewhere reported stunning news: A meteorite contained evidence of life on Mars.

The rock, found in Antarctica, apparently was hurled there by an asteroid impact on Mars millions of years ago. The rock contains hot-dog-shaped objects that may be fossilized Martian microbes.

If the prehistoric fossils are real, then microbes may still inhabit Mars -- perhaps in volcano-heated hot springs or subsurface groundwater.

Starting last autumn, NASA and Russia began a decade-long effort to launch robot space probes to Mars. The agency is considering whether to ask Congress to fund a "sample return" mission, in which a robot would collect Mars rocks and return them to Earth.

A NASA robot might unearth them early in the next century.

The council's "Task Group on Issues in Sample Return" explored a science-fictionish question: Assuming Martian microbes come to Earth, could they be dangerous? And if so, how could humans counter the threat?

The good news is that on Earth, "only a tiny fraction" of known microorganisms are harmful when exposed to other organisms, says the council report, "Mars Sample Return: Issues and Recommendations."

Martian microbes may have trouble surviving on Earth. Its ecosystem is far more complex and crowded with competing organisms than any conceivable ecosystem on Mars, the report says.

History is repeating itself: In the late 1960s, NASA feared that lunar astronauts might accidentally bring lunar microbes back to Earth.

As a precaution, NASA quarantined returning astronauts in a sealed chamber. Via TV, the world watched in anxiety and amusement as President Nixon stood in front of the quarantine chamber and waved through a window at grinning Apollo 11 astronauts.

No Moon microbes were detected.

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Re: 'Libel'

From: Bob Rickard <rickard@forteantimes.com>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 97 13:38:38 -0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:45:49 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Libel'

Bob Rickard responding to ...

>Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 18:59:44 -0400
>From: Stanton Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Libel'

Boy, Stan, you don't take criticism very well but you love to dish it.

>I can understand that writers Peter Brookesmith and Andy Roberts and
>Fortean Times editor Rickard are angry at Harry and me. The notion that
>because not all read the MEN means it doesn't matter if someone is
>libelled there, surely is ridiculous.

* I am not angry with Stan, never have been, as I don't take any of this personally. (the others can speak for themselves).

Nor did I say that libelling someone or defaming them "didn't matter". Of course it does. And I certainly never implied that the 'offense' "didn't matter" simply because the MEN is a parochial newspaper. I was asking what I thought was a reasonable question, which was, how a defamatory statement in a local paper could affect Stan's ability to earn, as this is what the claim (and damages?) would be assessed on in English law.

No, I wasn't angry, but disappointed, maybe, at using a sledgehammer to crack a nut. Like many people in the UK, I was taken aback by the suddenness and intensity of Stan's suit against Jenny, which might well be familiar in the US but which seemed rather excessive, over here. One has to ask whether a calm discussion before hand might have obviated the need for a legal mugging.

Stan then referred to the Oxford Union debate as supplying hints at why I might be actively 'against' him.

>A key event which may explain the false claims currently being made was
>the debate at the Oxford University Debating Society in October 1995.
>The Topic " This house believes that intelligent alien Life has visited
>the planet Earth".

..... >8 snip 8<

>Rickard for whom Peter had written much, had commissioned an article for
>Fortean Times about the debate, but then refused to run it. I suppose
>he expected that Peter would be triumphant over this nasty lawyer and
>this upstart Canadian American physicist who comes on so strongly pro ET
>and had the gall to sue the UK's "only professional ufologist" (Jenny)
>and research director for Bufora at that.

* the descriptors "nasty" and "upstart" are Stan's, not mine. I don't know Harris or his motives and wouldn't presume to call anyone nasty, unless it was from personal experience. I *know* Stan is no upstart, having been around a long time. Being "pro-ET" is not an issue, anyway Stan is quite entitled to his view, as are others theirs. "Gall"? See above.

It not true that I commissioned a report on the debate. One was offered to me by someone who was attending and I accepted. When the report was turned in, it was, to my disappointment, long-winded and

ultimately not very interesting. It even omitted some of the important points discussed, that I had learned about in subsequent conversations with both Stan and Peter. There were three other factors I had to consider: we were then on a bimonthly schedule and the report would be past its sell-by date (this would not be a problem if the report was interesting); the accompanying photos were poor; and I learned that the author and photographs were also submitted to the Birdsall's magazine. At Fortean Times, not only is space always at a premium, we have a policy of not accepting multiple submissions. I rejected the report on these grounds only ... although psychic Stan appears to know differently.

Stan concludes it was rejected as part of a campaign against him but he is quite wrong. He is also ridiculously presumptuous is saying I gambled on the outcome of the debate. I simply don't work that way. To me, the fact that the subject was being debated was the story, not the personalities on either side. And if Stan thinks Peter is a favoured writer, he should ask Peter directly about how he has suffered at my hands.

Bob Rickard - editor
rickard@forteantimes.com

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Where the extraordinary is just another day at the office
"Metaphysical speculations are attempts to think unthinkably,
and it is quite hard enough to think thinkably." C.Fort

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MUFON Louisiana

From: "Moirra & Alain" <epona@interlog.com>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 07:29:14 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:47:21 -0500
Subject: MUFON Louisiana

Do you guys have an address for a MUFON Chapter in Louisiana that you could forward to him?

> From: Ambodhran@aol.com
> To: epona@interlog.com
> Subject: Re: other
> Date: Sunday, March 09, 1997 1:14 PM
> I am in Louisiana, is there a MUFON site here?

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'Skeptics' List

From: garrison@efn.org
Date: 10 Mar 1997 04:30:02 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:51:40 -0500
Subject: 'Skeptics' List

Yes, folks, the skeptics_talk listserv is no more... but only because it's been updated and improved! Yes, with the installation of a new, dedicated ISDN line, the most intriguing no-nonsense scientific listserv this side of Upper Prakash has metamorphosised into skeptix@cyberwarped.com

Yes, a simple e-mail message to listserv@cyberwarped.com with subscribe skeptix (your name) will enable you to join in our fascinating discussions about science, psuedoscience, and the differences thereof, including lively investigations of specific ufo, esp, and paranormal cases! So why not sign on today?

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Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 97 09:15:15 cst
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:48:48 -0500
Subject: Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: Cathy Johnson <rfsignal@M3.SPRYNET.COM>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf
>Date: Fri, 7 Mar 1997 18:12:41 -0800

>Hi there, I thought I would add a bit here by asking if the 'Wolf'
>that is being discussed here is the same one that apparently
>Jack P. Sargeant of Fido-UFO Net knows as well. On 3/3/97 in
>messages to 'Wolf', Jack bundled up about ten messages for him. It
>would be curious to see if this is the same 'Wolf' making his
>rounds for information.

Hi Cathy,

I don't think they're the same guy. The "Wolf" I've encountered on FIDO is a self-agrandizing militia/black helicopter nut case with delusions of grandeur. Trust me, nobody with a functional neuron could ever take this "Wolf" seriously.

Regards,

Vince

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UFO UDate: Re: Townes/NASA query

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 10 Mar 97 10:31:29 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 12:50:13 -0500
Subject: UFO UDate: Re: Townes/NASA query

>Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 13:10:27 -0600 (CST)
>From: Brian Cuthbertson <brianc@fc.net>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Townes/NASA query

>Some questions about the appended post (below) for anyone
>in a position to know or find out:

- >1. Is there really a British mag named "Alien Encounters"?
> If so, how reputable is it?
- >2. Is anyone familiar with the TV talk show mentioned in the post?
- >3. Has anyone heard of Dr. Aldrich F. Townes in any other context?
- >4. In short, are this post and its topic possibly valid,
> or just another example of creative internet fiction?

I cant speak to the truth or fiction of this report, but yes there is a magazine from the UK called Alien Encounters. I would not call it very reputable, since there was an article in it last year by Eris Andies in which she claimed that I took my orders direct from Bill Clinton!!!

As to the Hubble Telescope, a good friend of mine is part of the JPL team which designed the telescope. It is designed for deep space gazing, not for looking at something close by like the moon. I've got a thick manuscript here about the design and construction of the telescope which was submitted by my friend by possible use in my magazine, but we couldn't use it because it was just too long and too technical for the average reader. I'll have to go back and re-read, but my impression is that the Hubble could not easily be used to look at the moon.

As for military use of the Hubble, I'd be very surprised if it was not used by the military for their projects, both open and black. Such a resource would not be ignored by them, and they may have goosed the funding in the first place.

Bob Shell

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Philip J. Corso

From: **armen victorian** <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 11:37:45 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 21:33:47 -0500
Subject: Philip J. Corso

The following might be of interest to proponents of Roswell, and those awaiting Corso's forthcoming book on this topic.

"After the assassination [JFK], Frank Capell was active in disseminating conspiratorial "phase one" stories linking Oswald to Russia and Ruby to Castro's Cuba (20 WH 75, 26 WH 608), some of them apparently from intelligence sources such as Carlos Bringuier's colleagues in the DRE (26 WH 610). Capell was not acting alone: "phase one" stories linking Oswald and Ruby to Communists were circulated by Willoughby's associates PHILIP J. CORSO, a veteran of Army Intelligence who had retired by 1963 to work for the segregationist Senator Strom Thurmond, and Cuban exile Salvador Diaz Verson, a former chief of Cuban military intelligence.

Corso, the army intelligence veteran, was like Willoughby a foe of the CIA from the right, having tangled with the Agency in his years under C. D. Jackson as a member of Eisenhower's Operations Control Board. In 1963-64 Corso and Willoughby were part of a secret rightwing group, the "Shickshinny Knights of Malta" (so called after their headquarters in Shickshinny, Pennsylvania, to distinguish them from the more famous Roman Catholic Sovereign Military Order of Malta based in Rome). The group provided a home to dissident retired military officers dissatisfied with the CIA's internationalism, many of them, like Willoughby and General Bonner Fellers, veterans of the old Hunt-MacArthur-Pawley coalition in the early 1950s. By 1963 the group's leading asset in their anti-CIA propaganda was a Polish intelligence defector, Michael Goleniewski, who had claimed to audiences inside and outside the CIA that the Agency penetrated by the KGB at a high level.

Corso built on this anti-CIA paranoia by telling his friend and fellow Senate staffer Julien Sourwine, who made sure it was relayed to the FBI, that Oswald was tied to a Communist ring inside the CIA, and was doubling as an informant for the FBI. Shickshinny Knight Herman Kimsey, who claimed to have been Goleniewski's handler inside the CIA, also spun an elaborate story about how his CIA duties had put him in touch with Kennedy's assassin - the mystery man in Mexico. Finally, the chief press contact of the Shickshinny Knights, Guy Richards of the New York Journal-American, published the claim (soon taken up by Frank Coppel, by the John Birch Society, and by Willoughby's American Security Council) that Oswald, like another alleged KGB assassin (Bogdan Stashynsky), had been trained at a KGB assassination school in Minsk.

Willoughby was in auspicious company, for the Shickshinny Knights had an "Armed Services Committee" that in 1963 read like a Who's Who of retired military men at the extremist fringe. All these "Knights" had been "singled out for their brilliant and outstanding careers as Soldiers of Christ and Advocates of a Free World". Besides Willoughby, they included a number of other members of MacArthur's old team - Brigadier General Bonner Fellers, Lt. General Pedro del Valle, Marine General Lemuel Shepherd. British Admiral Sir Barry Domville, jailed in England during World War Two as a Nazi agent, was also on the list.

So was Colonel Philip J. Corso, a twenty-year Army Intelligence career man until his retirement in August 1963. He had been the military Operations Coordinating Board's delegate to the CIA group planning the 1954 Guatemalan coup. In 1956 Corso had sought to reactivate fifty surviving garrisons of East European paramilitary units still hanging on in West Germany and tied to the Gehlen spy network. When his Volunteer Freedom Corps, dedicated to rolling back communism, was scuttled as too radical by the Eisenhower administration, Corso attributed the defeat to "lies by our liberal darlings". A staunch foe of what he considered a laissez-faire CIA, Corso

testified before Congress on "military muzzling" after General Walker was kicked out of West Germany in 1961. Upon leaving the Army Intelligence, Corso went to work in 1963 as a "research assistant" for segregationist senator Strom Thurmond of South Carolina. And, after the Kennedy's assassination, Corso was among the first to spread rumors hinting that Oswald was tied to a Communist ring inside the CIA - and doubling as an informant for the FBI. Corso once sued the liberal columnist Drew Pearson for defamation - writing about Corso's extremist activities.

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Armen Victorian

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 14:44:22 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 23:17:36 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 11:21:51 +0000
From: Mike Smith <mickey@anix.co.uk>
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

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Rebecca

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Re: Friedman v Randles

From: **Andy Roberts** <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 10 Mar 97 13:21:22 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 23:13:56 -0500
Subject: Re: Friedman v Randles

On Sun, 09 Mar 1997 12:02:43 -0500
John Powell wrote:

>Okay, so, where's the article!?! Let's
>somebody post it so we can all see it.

If Stanton Friedman & John Powell had been keeping up with what was going on they would have both seen the M.E.N. article - which I posted a couple of weeks back, followed shortly after by the bulk of the *private* letter Jenny sent to the M.E.N. Nothing Stanty-boy has said in his recent post alters anything any of the critics of his outrageous and ludicrous hounding of Jenny have said.

Dear Reader,

The article lives on The UFO UpDate Archive:

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m21-004.shtml>

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Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 19:08:33 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 23:19:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Lindemann Has 'Chupa-Cadaver' Info?

All,

Michael Lindemann has been out of town for a while but he is back now and I have had the opportunity to discuss with him the chupacabra incident.

Michael appears every Wednesday evening on the syndicated radio program End of the Line with Jeff Rense [information on this program is appended to the end of this message]. On March 5 Jeff Rense also interviewed a bilingual Spanish news reporter from San Antonio who claimed to know about the Chupacabra capture story. The reporter (I'm sorry ML did not have the name handy when we spoke) claimed to have seen still photographs of this creature who had been captured on a ranch near San Antonio, TX. He claimed that the carcass of this creature was taken to a facility in Austin, TX.

Neither Michael or Jeff Rense actually have the Chupacabra but talked to a reporter who claimed to have seen a picture and the reporter is apparently trying to follow the story. I know that Michael and Jeff are both pursuing the story.

This story of the chupacabra capture was FIRST announced on the Art Bell program at the end of February when Art received an email from someone claiming to be a reporter at a San Antonio TV station [apparently this reporter is not the same as the one who talked with Jeff Rense]. The TV Station guy sent Art an email and a video of "polaroids" of the creature. The whole incident has the ring of hoax for these reasons: 1) the TV Station does not want its name mentioned [Art had inadvertently mentioned the name of the TV Station on his program, they were besieged with phone calls and asked Art to not mention their name again] and 2) The TV station declines to release the video to any other source other than Art Bell.

-- "End of the Line" with Jeff Rense -- syndicated radio program is devoted to the investigation of UFOs and aliens, political intrigue and scandals, and news on health and alternative medicine. CNI News editor Michael Lindemann is a regular guest every Wednesday night, doing a UFO news update. "End of the Line" airs 9-11 pm Eastern time weeknights, and 11pm to 2am Eastern time on Sundays. For a complete list of stations and other news about the show, check out Jeff's web site at

<http://www.endoftheline.com>

The program can also be heard on the Internet with Talk America.

Rebecca

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Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

From: **James A Diss** <76710.234@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 10 Mar 97 14:40:12 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 23:15:45 -0500
Subject: Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

>Date: 09-Mar-97 12:47:13
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subj: UFO UpDate: Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

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Now, if Europa does yield life, expect a different treatment, and an unbearable Dick Hoagland.

JaMeS a DISS,

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Re: Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

From: Loy Pressley <lkpres@koyote.com>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 05:23:18 -0800
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 08:17:48 -0500
Subject: Re: Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

> Date: 10 Mar 97 14:40:12 EST
> From: James A Diss <76710.234@CompuServe.COM>
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Sorry, but I gotta defend Hoagland.

Hoagland would certainly be a great teacher. He has a way of breaking down complicated subjects in to small pieces and then calmly reassembling the pieces in such a logical manner that one can't help but understand the original subject. It would have been nice to have had more teachers and professors with that rare ability when I was in school.

I saw the video of Hoagland trying to explain his view point on the anomalies on MARS to a very skeptical NASA audience. His logic was impecable and his arguments were very persuasive.

Of course, the people at NASA should be reminded that the American taxpayer (me included), in addition to paying their salaries, pays for the American space program. If enough of those taxpayers want some additional pictures taken of the Cydonia region of MARS, they better damn well take the pictures. There are going to be a lot of people with egg on their face if the Mars anomalies do finally turn out to be ancient artifacts.

Every time Hoagland has been on the Art Bell show, he has been impressive. The debate with Mitchel, for example, was outstanding. Art was expecting a shouting match because both Mitchel and Hoagland held such diametrically opposed viewpoints and both felt very strongly about them. Mitchel started off like he was waving a sword and wearing a full suit of armor. Hoagland immediately disarmed him with a couple of polite compliments to Mitchel and some very easy, lite hearted banter. From that point on, the debate was very amiable. A lot of information was revealed and discussed in depth and it became a very interesting radio program. Considering how easily the debate could have degenerated into a shouting match with no real meaning to it, I have to give Hoagland credit for keeping the show interesting and once again demonstrating that logic has a persuasiveness all its own.

Hoagland sincerely believes in what he is doing and, for the most part, he explains his beliefs in such a logical and persuasive manner that by the time he's finished, you almost can't help but believe in it too. That's a gift, folks! Taken to an extreme degree in the wrong hands (Hitler, for instance), its very dangerous. In someone like Hoagland, it can be used to expand the knowledge of all of us.

Wow...I got carried away. Sorry this is so long but I'm a big Hoagland fan. Can't ya tell :-)

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Alfred's Odd Ode #105

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 11:20:02 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 13:17:34 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #105

Apology to MW #105 (For March 11, 1997)=20

I painted a kid once, an appropriated image.
Sitting in a swing that swung from heaven.
His halo was huge, but it didn't obtrude
A paper sack on his head, snug and even.

This painting hung in a bank for a month,
And at the dress up ceremony
They wondered at the dwarf white cross,
On the child's breast, small and lonely.

I said look at the cross, and the child in the foreground
Then take in the bag, and the halo at night.
The swing is unswung, but a house in the background
Has a light in one room that is piercing, and bright.

The moon is mishappen, and the stars unfamiliar;
The child is not on this earth.
The mood is too solemn, but through old Doric columns,
The light, is a promised rebirth.

Back to the foreground, the halo is golden.
Its light is truly from the gods.
The child could slap with a stroke, and snatch off the poke,
But remains seated, and clenched like a rod.

The hands cover genitals that must be unseen,
Or so the child seems to think.
The tension all comes from the thwarted desire
This is why many people see shrinks.

Oh to reach up, and snatch at the bag!
Oh, to uncover the unmentionables!
Oh to see halos, and source of room's light . . .
Oh to be sighted, . . . it would be incredible!

And sighted, ones sees fluorescing flowers at midnight.
One sees a mansion of unlighted rooms, save one.
One sees an ocean of green grass forever going.
One sees education, never ending, never done.

But frozen still to frozen swing
The bag will keep its place.
We'll cover up our genitals,
And shame will rule our race.

We'll hide our heads, a sack of blame
That cloaks elusive UFO's.
Denying our divinity
And going nowhere, slow.=20

I won first place at that art show.=20
And they didn't like the message.
But they had to cop to the alien view,
They had to cop to the heartfelt presage.=20

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

I had respect for Howard Stern from his beginning, even when he

embarrassed the crop stones out of me. . .sure, he talks about masturbation, and farts, and "take your blouse off". . .but his approach to sex, as seemingly crude, and superficial as it is, is still infinitely superior to, and much more honest and respectful than =96 the cloying, teasing, and un-admitted sexual manipulations of Madison avenue, and our societal media. These are the polluters of our culture =96 not Howard Stern. Howard Stern, in stark contrast to the mainstream, may lead us back to grace.

You know, if Christ did return, he might return in the form of a Radio Shockjock. . . hmmmmmm. That probably goes too far for some a=92ya!

Examine that. . .that! That it goes too far!

Try to back up what you=92re feeling with facts, and fall short =96 the way I did. Look for *undiscovered* facts. Read, especially, what they tell ya=92 NOT to read! Be the center of your universe =96 it=92s not arrogance when you are taking responsibility for it. My center hails your center! Together we can be greater than the sum of our parts, and the diversity of those parts makes our cooperation exponential. . .or Star Wars taught us nothing <g>.

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake; nuked from orbit, just to be sure.

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:24:39 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:24:39 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

>>Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 11:21:51 +0000
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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto
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I found the movie too predictable, but there's not much you can do with
an alien invasion story that hasn't been done before, so that really
isn't too bad. I wish it had wrapped the story up a little better, but
perhaps they were hoping for a sequel ...<g>

But the issue here is whether or not the alien pictured on Whitley's
site is from that movie, and I suspect that it is. I am trying to
contact them via Email, but the company that did the special effects
work for The Arrival can be found at:

http://www.pdi.com/PDIPage/screening/feature_films/arrival.html

There isn't a clear image of the "alien" from the front, but there are
several on the site that appear to be of the same type. If I learn
anything more, I'll post it here.

Steve

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Re: Townes/NASA query

From: **FS337211@Sol.YorkU.CA** [Nick Balaskas]
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 12:50:53 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:27:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Townes/NASA query

> Date: 10 Mar 97 10:31:29 EST
> From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UDate: Townes/NASA query

*** snip ***

> As to the Hubble Telescope, a good friend of mine is part of the JPL
> team which designed the telescope. It is designed for deep space
> gazing, not for looking at something close by like the moon. I've
> got a thick manuscript here about the design and construction of
> the telescope which was submitted by my friend by possible use
> in my magazine, but we couldn't use it because it was just too long
> and too technical for the average reader. I'll have to go back and
> re-read, but my impression is that the Hubble could not easily be used
> to look at the moon.

Although the moon is closer to Earth than most objects in our solar system (planets, comets, asteroids) and its rate of movement through the sky would be different to the much more distant stars (as the Hubble space telescope orbits the Earth), there is no technical reason why Hubble cannot be used to observe the moon. Of course astronomers with precious little time booked on the Hubble would prefer to use this telescope to study much more distant or fainter objects than they can observe through their ground based telescopes.

> As for military use of the Hubble, I'd be very surprised if it was
> not used by the military for their projects, both open and black.
> Such a resource would not be ignored by them, and they may have
> goosed the funding in the first place.

Many years ago (1980?) I attended an Optical Society of America conference here in Toronto where we presented some of my results. During the lunch break I joined some guys who built the Hubble space telescope. After I expressed my excitement to them about having such a large telescope in space in the near future, I was surprised to hear that they had already put an identical one in orbit. This twin to the Hubble did not look out into space but looked down towards the Earth instead. The military boys already had their own large space telescopes to play with long before the astronomers got their own.

Nick Balaskas

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Re: Philip J. Corso

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 97 09:45:31 cst
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:26:12 -0500
Subject: Re: Philip J. Corso

>Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 11:37:45 -0500
>From: armen victorian <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
>Subject: Philip J,. Corso
>To: "Errol Bruce-Knapp" <updates@globalserve.net>

>The following might be of interest to proponents of Roswell, and those
>awaiting Corso's forthcoming book on this topic.

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>It would be extremely unwise for UFO community researchers to accept
>Corso's version of the Roswell incident without asking some serious
>questions on Corso's real intent for such a publication.

Most interesting, Henry. If this report is true, you are absolutely
right in questioning Corso's true intentions (other than for making a
fast buck).

There does appear to be a curious link between extreme right-wing,
racist, theocratic (read Christian Identity) radicals, and UFO lore --
from black helicopters to Alternative-3. I suspect that this is a
surprisingly sophisticated (for these bozos) propaganda campaign
designed to instill mistrust and paranoia -- and ultimately, political
instability.

The Internet, where most of these hysterics seem to originate, is the
most effective propaganda medium ever devised -- considering cost
(virtually nothing) vs. message saturation.

Regards,

Vince

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Late Night News & 'Disappearing' Stories

From: **Graham William Birdsall** <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 13:06:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:29:08 -0500
Subject: Late Night News & 'Disappearing' Stories

Dear Colleagues,

After returning late Monday night from delivering a lecture in Stretford, Manchester, I switched on the TV in the early hours of Tuesday morning, 11 March, and caught a very brief reference to the on-going TWA 800 saga on ITN (Independent Television Network's) World News programme.

Briefly, it stated that crash investigators are increasingly favouring the "missile" theory (sorry, didn't catch which investigating agency was being referred to). One would have thought that come breakfast time, more on this would have emerged in further news bulletins but alas, no. Doubtless someone in the United States can further enlighten us on what is, a very sobering development.

As an afterthought, has anyone noticed how many interesting snippets of news surface during nighttime news bulletins, only to be put to bed for good come breakfast? Did anything further emerge on the 15 January '97 (2.30am) news broadcast by CNN which claimed a USAF official had gone A.W.O.L. with a bucket-load of UFO documents?

It's quite possible something was posted, but I missed it while in the States around that time (didn't see any references to the story in America though).

Penny for your thoughts?

Best regards,

Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]

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Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #105

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:37:49 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 22:34:24 -0500
Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #105

>Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 11:20:02 -0600
>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #105

>Apology to MW #105 (For March 11, 1997)

>I painted a kid once, an appropriated image.
>Sitting in a swing that swung from heaven.
>His halo was huge, but it didn't obtrude
>A paper sack on his head, snug and even.

God bless you Al Lehmborg wherever you are!
I've got to do this publicly just once. Als' thought provoking and sometimes poignant "Odes" are something that I've gradually become quite addicted to. Every couple of days or so he drops down from the heavens like Prometheus in flames and showers us (graces us) with a little bit of unadulterated truth. He is our 'poet laureate' and I'd give him our Pulitzer Prize if we had one to give.

Al, thanx for brightening up some otherwise dreary days, and for the insightful and beautiful thoughts and feelings that just drip from your fingers. You take the mighty torch of consciousness which is generally aimed outward and point it back into our own eyes. Sometimes blinding us. You are a true 'giver' in a dog eat dog world where most are taking and devouring without ever putting anything back. You add a little 'quality/value' to us all. Thank you!

Keep em comin' Al.

John Velez

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning New Alien Photo' on

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:33:56 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 22:36:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning New Alien Photo' on

>Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 12:11:17 -0500
>From: Steven Kaeser <skaeser@konsulting.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>, XianneKei@aol.com
>Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

>There isn't a clear image of the "alien" from the front, but there are
>several on the site that appear to be of the same type. If I learn
>anything more, I'll post it here.

The aliens in "The Arrival" were, I believe, done digitally (like the Martians in "Mars Attacks!") The photo at www.strieber.com looks like a conventional FX model, and I'm guessing this was made prior to the making of "The Arrival" as a conceptual sketch. I think there are minor differences between the posted photo and the creatures in the movie, but the basic "noseless" morphology is the same. Actually, it looks quite a bit like the face on Mars!

For what it's worth, I thought "The Arrival" was a lot of fun and maybe the best science fiction film of the summer. I'm looking forward to seeing it again on video.

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Re: Philip J. Corso

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:39:52 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 22:40:57 -0500
Subject: Re: Philip J. Corso

Vince Johnson wrote:

>Tue, 11 Mar 97 09:45:31 cst
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Philip J. Corso

>There does appear to be a curious link between extreme right-wing,
>racist, theocratic (read Christian Identity) radicals, and UFO lore --
>from black helicopters to Alternative-3. I suspect that this is a
>surprisingly sophisticated (for these bozos) propaganda campaign
>designed to instill mistrust and paranoia -- and ultimately, political
>instability.

Has anyone read Curtis Peebles' "Watch the Skies"? Peebles' argument against the reality of the UFO phenomenon is essentially contained in the paragraph above. He says some ridiculous things about the MJ-12 documents (among other things), but his sections on conspiracy theory and "wild ravings" ring true.

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Re: Late Night News & 'Disappearing' Stories

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@compuserve.com>
Date: 11 Mar 97 17:45:43 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 22:43:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Late Night News & 'Disappearing' Stories

>Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 13:06:17 -0500
>From: Graham William Birdsall <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
>Subject: TWA 800 - ITN WORLD NEWS REPORT
>To: UFO UPDATES TORONTO <updates@globalserve.net>

Hi Graham,

>As an afterthought, has anyone noticed how many interesting snippets of
>news surface during nighttime news bulletins, only to be put to bed for >good
>come breakfast? Did anything further emerge on the 15 January '97 >2.30am)
>news broadcast by CNN which claimed a USAF official had gone A.W.O.L. >with
>a bucket-load of UFO documents?

I sent several e-mails to CNN about this and eventually got a polite reply saying that the person responsible for the story would be in touch to give me more information. That was weeks ago, and nothing has come in from them. Nor have a couple more e-mails gotten any response. Guess they don't want to be bothered.

As to Flight 800 and the missile. That has been my stated theory from the beginning, that it was shot down. Either with a stolen missile or accidentally by "friendly fire". There is at least one video of something streaking toward the plane just before it exploded, plus a number of eye witnesses who saw a plume of smoke and some object heading for the plane. I think there is a coverup under way on this one.

Bob

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From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 19:23:33 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 22:45:28 -0500
Subject: Re: Late Night News & 'Disappearing' Stories

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> From: Graham William Birdsall <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
> Subject: TWA 800 - ITN WORLD NEWS REPORT
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> ITN (Independent Television Network's) World News programme.

> Briefly, it stated that crash investigators are increasingly favouring the
> "missile" theory (sorry, didn't catch which investigating agency was being
> referred to). One would have thought that come breakfast time, more on
> this
> would have emerged in further news bulletins but alas, no. Doubtless
> someone in the United States can further enlighten us on what is, a very
> sobering development.

It's been all over the news here. This is a story I picked up from AOL's AP service:

By PAT MILTON
.c The Associated Press

NEW YORK (March 11) - The FBI has seized a Federal Aviation Administration radar tape that purportedly showed an object speeding toward TWA Flight 800 seconds before the plane exploded, The Associated Press learned today.

The U.S. District Court in Brooklyn issued a subpoena for the tape's seizure Monday night from the Daytona Beach, Fla., home of retired United Airlines pilot Richard Russell as part of the criminal investigation into the July 17 crash, a source close to the investigation said on condition of anonymity.

The tape is to be reviewed by a federal grand jury, possibly as soon as Wednesday, the source said, confirming a report published today in The Press-Enterprise of Riverside, Calif.

``I'm offended by it,' ' Russell said of the seizure in a phone interview today. ``They took my property away, but that's the way they operate. I knew that they would be doing this. It's a cover-up.' '

Russell, who refused to say how he obtained the tape, has long supported the theory that a Navy missile brought down the plane off the Long Island coast. He told the AP that he wrote the memo that was widely circulated on the Internet as proof of the missile theory. However, no evidence was produced to back up the claims.

Russell said Monday that he had a copy of the FAA radar tape that he claimed showed a projectile racing toward the jetliner. The newspaper also reported Monday that unexplained blips on the tape may be the track of a missile hurtling toward the plane, and that Russell would make the tape public this week.

Russell, however, said that he did not plan to release the tape, but that the French magazine Paris-Match would publish three frames this week showing a blip closing at high speed on Flight 800. All 230 aboard were killed.

The FBI and the National Transportation Safety Board issued a joint statement

disputing the newspaper's claim regarding the cause of the crash. ``Such a conclusion is not supported by the evidence gathered to date,' the statement said.

It said the investigative team believed the newspaper's account contained ``numerous factual and interpretive errors.'

Sources ``inside the investigation' provided the newspaper with FBI and NTSB documents indicating a dummy-warhead missile may have smashed through the plane, the paper said.

The AP's source said on Monday that the investigative team had exhaustively reviewed all of the radar tapes from the night of the explosion and ``there was absolutely nothing on any tape showing a missile hitting this airplane.'

The source said it was possible the newspaper was basing its report on a ``bogus tape.'

The Press-Enterprise said chemical residue found in reddish stains on the plane's seats ``points to a missile' as the cause of the explosion.

The newspaper said the stains contained chemicals consistent with solid-fuel propellant.

But the AP's source said the chemicals found are not consistent with what would be in a rocket propellant.

``Other chemicals that should be there are missing,' the source said. ``However, the chemicals found are consistent with an adhesive material that was used to fasten the plastic backs to the seats in the airplane.'

The newspaper's findings relied heavily on information supplied by James Sanders, a retired California policeman and auto-accident investigator who has probed the crash on his own.

FBI Assistant Director James Kallstrom, who heads the TWA investigation, put the newspaper's report in the same category as information provided last year by Pierre Salinger, a former Kennedy administration press secretary who had seized upon the Russell memo.

Kallstrom said the report was ``heresy, speculation, erroneous deductions and pure guessing.'

He said it is still premature to rule out any of three theories - a bomb, a missile or mechanical failure.

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> a bucket-load of UFO documents?

I remember the story of that story circulating but I have not seen any resolution to it. It was my understanding that the story was a hoax.

Rebecca

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Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 20:35:37 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 22:48:09 -0500
Subject: Re: Late Night News & 'Disappearing' Stories

From: Graham William Birdsall <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 13:06:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:29:08 -0500
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sobering development.

Hello everyone,

I heard a news report on the radio this evening (Mar.11) concerning
the TWA 800 disaster. Apparently the FBI confiscated a photograph of
some sort of object heading for the 747. The photo was in the
possession of another airline pilot that was doing an independant
invetigation on the crash. He would not devulge the source of the
photo and the FBI "no commented". The object in question is being
treated as a missile.

Regards,

Don Ledger

UFO researcher/writer
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Pat Parrinello

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 08:51:31 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 08:51:31 -0500
Subject: Pat Parrinello

Would someone who has his phone number give him a call and let him know?

Thanks,

ebk

From:
<http://www.chron.com/content/houston/yourtown/zone9/96/03/13/front9-x1.html>

UFO speaker HUFON will hear Pat Parrinello, UFO researcher, 7:30-10 p.m. Friday, April 5, in the Innova Building at 20 Greenway Plaza. The cost is \$5 for visitors and \$3 for members. Call 597-2834.

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Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 08:52:57 -0500
Subject: AUFORA News Update, Tuesday, March 11th, 1997

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US AIR FORCE COMMENTARY ON ROSWELL
by Tech. Sgt. David P. Masko - <http://www.af.mil/>

Roswell, UFOs and an alleged Air Force cover-up have fueled a controversy that seemingly will not die.

In fact, even President Clinton is talking Roswell these days. During a recent visit to Northern Ireland, Clinton's somber plea for peace turned to UFOs when answering a young boy's question. "No, as far as I know, an alien spacecraft did not crash in Roswell, New Mexico, in 1947," the president said.

Clinton is not the only one being asked such questions. For nearly 50 years, the Air Force has taken the brunt of accusations about UFOs. The outgrowth of this deluge of UFO-related questions was the famed "Project Bluebook" -- the official Air Force investigation of flying saucer occurrences.

Now, in response to various views that the government has withheld information about the Roswell sightings, the Air Force has issued a new study titled "The Roswell Report: Fact vs. Fiction in the New Mexico Desert."

"This report represents a joint effort by Col. Richard L. Weaver and 1st Lt. James McAndrew to address the request made by Rep. Steven H. Schiff (R-N.M.) for information regarding an alleged crash of an unidentified flying object that occurred in 1947," said Richard Hallion, Air Force historian, in the report's forward.

"Interest abounds surrounding the UFO wave of 1947 which began in the spring and did not dissipate until fall," Hallion said. "Interest in UFOs climaxed during the summer, when multiple sightings of such objects occurred."

McAndrew, now a captain working at the Pentagon, said he spent six months researching hundreds of documents relating to Roswell. He told Air Force News Service that after a year-and-a-half of work in getting the report to print, he's "100 percent sure that the Roswell sightings are a hoax."

Asked if there's any real evidence of an Air Force cover-up, he said, no. Also, he said there's nothing conclusive in all the recent books, movies and television programs about UFOs landing at Roswell.

What's included in the 1,000-page Roswell report are opinions on both sides of the UFO controversy. However, what Weaver and McAndrew try to unearth are the "facts" only. Rather than coming off as non-believers or at least skeptical of the existence of alien beings, the researchers instead focus on what the Air Force was doing at Roswell when the alleged UFO crash occurred.

Moreover, the researchers said if any of the information they discovered was under security classification, it was declassified. And if active or former Air Force officials had been sworn to a secrecy oath, they were to be freed from it. In short, the writers said the objective was to tell the Congress, and the American people, "everything the Air Force knew

about the Roswell claims."

Research went so far as to delve into the personal documents of Gen. Carl A. Spaatz, Air Force chief of staff in 1947-1948 when the Roswell incident occurred. The report states that the Spaatz files "do not in any way suggest that U.S. Army Air Forces recovered a flying saucer or its alien occupants."

UFO conspiracy theorists alleged that both Spaatz and Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg directed the recovery of a flying saucer at Roswell Army Air Field on July 8, 1947. A review of Vandenberg's official daily activities calendar revealed "his knowledge of a reported flying saucer recovery on July 7 in Texas, an incident that the later determined to be a hoax."

Records do not support the claim that Vandenberg -- then deputy chief of staff -- had any similar involvement on July 8.

UFO theorists also allege that Gen. Nathan F. Twining altered his plans unexpectedly in July 1947 to go to New Mexico to oversee the recovery of a flying saucer. The report found that Twining -- then commander of Air Materiel Command -- did indeed go to New Mexico in 1947. But it was with several other general officers to attend the nuclear bomb commanders course.

"He (Twining) received orders to attend this course more than a month before the alleged incident occurred," the report states.

While a review of top brass involvement in a UFO cover-up proved unfounded, some questions remain about Brig. Gen. Roger M. Ramey, who was commander of 8th Air Force in 1947. Ramey is alleged to have participated in the cover-up of the recovery of an extraterrestrial vehicle by substituting debris from an ordinary weather balloon for that of an alien spacecraft.

The report said "Ramey withheld only the components that would have comprised the highly sensitive MOGUL project."

MOGUL refers to a then-top secret balloon project designed to monitor Soviet nuclear tests. Comparison of information obtained when the UFO crash supposedly happened are consistent with a balloon device, and most likely from one of the MOGUL balloons that had not been previously recovered.

"Air Force research efforts did not disclose any records of the recovery of any alien bodies or extraterrestrial materials," the report states.

Still, UFO buffs contend that claims by Walter Haut, a former Air Force public affairs officer, are true. Haut said on July 2, 1947, he was told to prepare a news release reporting the Air Force had recovered parts of a flying saucer and then was told to change the story to report a weather balloon.

On the day in 1947 when an alleged flying saucer crashed, the Air Force said a weather device crashed.

News reports of the time say people reported seeing a spacecraft. There were also stories of autopsies of "oversized head" aliens whose bodies were taken to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

At Wright-Patterson today there are Roswell-inspired manikins on display at the Air Force Museum in an exhibit simply dubbed "UFOs." Museum officials said the myth surrounding Roswell has made the UFO exhibit one of the museum's most popular attractions. Nearly 1 million visitors tour the museum each year.

With all the recent attention over Roswell, and its link to Wright-Patterson, the museum has done little to suppress the Roswell incident or government conspiracy theory. Instead, officials said they are "giving people what they want."

Similarly, the Roswell report cites a lot of the information that has kept the controversy alive for almost 50 years. From the records reviewed by the Air Force, however, there was nothing to suggest that a UFO cover-up was the case.

Although the bulk of records leave much to the imagination, the Roswell report states some interesting conclusions:

-- Concerted research has failed to turn up any evidence relating to the Roswell incident, or of a flying saucer and/or aliens at Wright-Patterson. Because this conclusion is based on the absence of

documentation, the issue can never be definitively resolved. There will always be those who say, "You didn't search hard enough" or "We know you really do have the records, saucers, aliens."

-- Because the Roswell incident occurred so long ago -- now nearly 50 years ago -- there may be no record trail to follow to absolutely determine if an Air Force study had ever been conducted.

-- Despite the best efforts of UFO researchers over the years, not one scrap of physical evidence or one incontestable photograph of either a flying saucer or an alien has ever been found relating to the Roswell incident.

In short, the Air Force's report on Roswell states that "the absence of evidence is not evidence of absence" because every reasonable avenue of research has been exhausted without finding evidence that a flying saucer or aliens landed at Roswell or were taken to Wright-Patterson.

"The Roswell Report: Fact vs. Fiction in the New Mexico Desert" is available at most base libraries, or for sale from the government printing office.

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Yep, that's what 'they' always say. But as usual, he offers no proof.
Wghat woulda retired pilot be doing with an FAA radar tape? That's about
as unlikely as the photog who took home the alien autopsy footage.

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>produced to back up the claims.

That 'memo' has been completely discounted, as I expect this radar tape
will be.

Bud Jamison, Scanner Monitor Extraordinaire!
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Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 08:54:25 -0500
Subject: International UFO Organisations?

Anyone have any contact information for
MUFON or other International UFO organisations
chapters/groups in Northern England ?

Pls help if you can,

thanks,

Jules [Dii]

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Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Alfred's Odd Ode #105

John,

> God bless you Al Lehmberg wherever you are!

I agree 110%. Alfred is a great guy. And he didn't even pay me to say this.
<g>

Rebecca

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UpDates and TWA 800

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 08:58:20 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 08:58:20 -0500
Subject: UpDates and TWA 800

I think it's time to call 'Time' on the TWA 800 threads here - its 'UFO' connections are tenuous at best.

So, let this message be the last unless something revelational comes up.

ebk

Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 22:55:31 -0500
From: ParaScope@AOL.COM
Subject: EXTRA: TWA Tape Seized by FBI
To: DISPATCH@LISTSERV.AOL.COM

Dispatch EXTRA: TWA Tape Seized by FBI

ParaScope readers, we're bringing you this special edition of the Dispatch to alert you to a late-breaking story of interest. We rarely send out such "mid-week" mailings, so don't fear that you'll be deluged with such mail in the future. We will continue to exercise restraint, sending you one Dispatch a week, and an EXTRA when circumstances demand it:

FBI Seizes TWA 800 Radar Image Tape

As government investigators continue to refute "Internet conspiracy theories" on the downing of TWA Flight 800, another piece of evidence has fallen into place -- and has just as quickly been seized by the feds. The FBI seized a controversial radar image tape today from retired United Airlines pilot Richard Russell. The tape purportedly shows a blip streaking towards TWA 800 just seconds before the plane exploded in mid-air, killing all 230 passengers. Was the aircraft destroyed by "friendly" fire? Why has the FBI seized this important piece of evidence just one day after it has first received widespread publicity? Check out the full story at ParaScope.

This late-breaking story is featured on the ParaScope home page (www.parascope.com) or you can go directly to the article on the web (<http://www.parascope.com/articles/0397/twatape.htm>). It's also featured on our AOL main screen at keyword: parascope (ParaScope) or you can go directly to the story (FBI Seizes Tape).

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Re: International UFO Organisations?

From: **Terry Blanton** <76016.2701@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 12 Mar 97 09:43:11 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:12:43 -0500
Subject: Re: International UFO Organisations?

>From: "J." <jules@jldzeb.demon.co.uk>
>To: "'UFO UpDates - Toronto'" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: MUFON
>Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 15:07:37 -0000

Jules writes:

>Anyone have any contact information for
>MUFON or other International UFO organisations
>chapters/groups in Northern England ?

You can reach the MUFON headquarters via email at:

mufonhq@aol.com

where I'm sure you will get the answer you seek.

Terry

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Dogfight Over Denmark

From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 09:58:28 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:17:45 -0500
Subject: Dogfight Over Denmark

Has anybody out there come across any follow-up reports to the recent story in UFO ROUNDUP (V.2, #10) about a UFO "dogfight" over Denmark?

Jerry Washington
Kentucky/MUFON

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Movie - 'Official Denial'

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 03:43:09 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:15:57 -0500
Subject: Movie - 'Official Denial'

Dear colleagues,

Has anyone seen the movie 'Official Denial' which stars Dirk Benedict (The A Team) and was made by Paramount. The date on the video I have just watched was 1993.

This cheaply made film depicts a modern-day style Roswell UFO crash event with one living alien being captured by the US military. I will not bore you with the story line but the aliens, who are actually humans from our future, look similar to the creature in Ray Santilli's alien autopsy film, although they do not have the pot belly nor six digits on hands and feet.

There is, however, one scene in this film of one of the creatures being autopsied ?

I just wondered if anyone had seen this movie and would like to comment on the similarities or not between it and the Santilli film.

Just curious.

All the best,

Philip Mantle.

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Lonnie Zamora - Socorro, New Mexico

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 03:37:44 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:14:21 -0500
Subject: Lonnie Zamora - Socorro, New Mexico

Dear colleagues,

Does anyone have a contact for retired police officer Lonnie Zamora in Socorro, New Mexico. I presume he is still alive ? If I presume correctly could anyone put me in touch with him ?

Yours,

Philip Mantle.

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Alfred's Odd Ode #106

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 09:36:41 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:19:27 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #106

Apology to MW #106 (For March 12, 1997)=20

Last night I would have lived in my dreams!
Humankind living in space it would seem!
In rotating rings of the soil of the belt,
Was an Eden I saw, and an Eden I felt.

These rings are concentric, with a center clear sphere.
The gravity there is at zero, no fear.
It is there that the physics is worked out just right;
Where magic is made, and you fly in lit night!

With wings made of paper, and crafted of color
You flash in the sunlight; take your soul from it'scellar.
By day at the rim as you work your strong muscles,
And at night you can soar, and release all the tussel.

At night in this city afloat in deep space,
As you stare down infinity with the eyes in your face.
You wonder at Babel, and God=92s vicious plan
To strike down our language, and alter our span.

By his own words, and from his own mouth:
We were uppity, ambitious, deserving our clout!
We would be as he was, embracing the knowing;
Reaching, and striving, competing, and growing!

He did something then most find understandable.
He hammered us good for our pride so contemptable.
He scattered us wide in a smear of confusion.
He would not condone, or accept, our intrusion.

But there I did sit, in a warm spot in space.
And I studied God=92s motive, and I measured his pace. =20
And I know that Light=92s constant is adjusted just so.
And the weak force is balanced by strong force=92s blow.

And the God who quietly crafted these constants
Is no god of monuments, or required endorsement.
That God=92s mouth watered not, at Noah=92s landing feast.
Who was it then that hammered us with unjust, and sad defeat.

But that was past, and here we sit, afloat in wealthy space.
We took the chance, and dove straight out, a credit to our race.
All white, and black as purple, all the yellows, and the reds,
All colors of the rainbows, and we live the skies instead!=20

Then I awoke, and my eyes were all wet,
And I lay in my bed, as mad as I get.
Gone were the bubbles of humans in space.
Gone, the space cities of a proud human race.

Instead we are mired in unjust reality.
We succumb to pronouncement of elitist minority.
We wallow confusions of metered distress
We pray for the will to retool =96 to be blessed.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

Heaven is having your own starship, with all that that implies. . .mine

is as big as Statten Island, lozenge shaped, and capped on both ends with a clear field that could stop neutrinos if it had to. It is a living thing, with innards of pure magic, and libraries to die for. It is as close as you can get to heaven, and still stay in the real world. Did I tell you that you can live forever on it?

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake. The ship still toils to collect his essence from the firmament so that he may live again. . .

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Re: Pat Parrinello

From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 11:47:49 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:23:26 -0500
Subject: Re: Pat Parrinello

Subj: UFO UpDate: Pat Parrinello
Date: 97-03-12 09:15:31 EST
From: updates@globalserve.net (UFO UpDates - Toronto)
To: updates@globalserve.net

> Would someone who has his phone number give
> him a call and let him know?

Just talked to Pat and he says that someone is messing with his ISP's server. Things should be back to normal soon.

Rebecca

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Re: International UFO Organisations?

From: John Hayes <john@ufoinfo.ftech.co.uk>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 20:49:24 +0000
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:25:23 -0500
Subject: Re: International UFO Organisations?

>From: "J." <jules@jldzeb.demon.co.uk>
>To: "'UFO UpDates - Toronto'" <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: MUFON

>Anyone have any contact information for
>MUFON or other International UFO organisations
>chapters/groups in Northern England ?

Hi Jules,

I don't know of a MUFON group anywhere in the UK, but I have a fairly large list of UFO Organizations in the UK on my web site at <http://www.ftech.net/ufoinfo/>

If you require any more help send me an e-mail direct and I will see if I can help further.

Best wishes,

John Hayes.

john@ufoinfo.ftech.co.uk

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Lunar Prospector Spacecraft Construction Complete

From: NASANews@hq.nasa.gov
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 11:25:13 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:21:33 -0500
Subject: Lunar Prospector Spacecraft Construction Complete

Douglas Isbell
Headquarters, Washington, DC
(Phone: 202/358-1547) March 12, 1997

David Morse
Ames Research Center, Mountain View, CA
(Phone: 415/604-4724)

RELEASE: 97-38

LUNAR PROSPECTOR SPACECRAFT CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE

Construction and assembly of NASA's Lunar Prospector spacecraft, designed to obtain the first complete compositional and gravity maps of the Moon, has been completed in preparation for its scheduled September 1997 launch.

Functional and environmental spacecraft tests will be conducted over the next several months, according to project manager Tom Dougherty of Lockheed Martin Missiles & Space, Sunnyvale, CA. Once this activity is successfully completed, current plans call for the spacecraft to be shipped to Spaceport Florida in late August for launch on September 24, 1997.

"We're delighted with progress to date," said Scott Hubbard, NASA Lunar Prospector mission manager at Ames Research Center, Mountain View, CA. "Lockheed Martin and its construction team put a detailed program into place and executed it well within the established schedule and with tight cost control."

The total cost of the mission to NASA, including launch, mission operations and data analysis, is \$63 million.

Why is NASA going back to the Moon? Despite a high level of scientific and public interest, particularly during the Apollo era, major gaps remain in scientific knowledge about Earth's nearest planetary neighbor, according to project scientists. Over 75 percent of the lunar surface is not mapped in detail, and important questions about the Moon's history, composition and internal processes remain unanswered.

During its planned one-year polar orbiting mission, Lunar Prospector will map the Moon's surface composition, gravity and magnetic fields, and try to detect volatile release activity. This information should provide insights into the origin and evolution of the Moon. Lunar Prospector also should directly determine the existence or absence of water ice in the Moon's polar regions, which has been suggested by analysis of indirect, radar-based data from the Clementine mission.

As the first peer-reviewed, competitively selected mission in NASA's "faster, better, cheaper" Discovery Program series, Lunar Prospector is an embodiment of the Agency's new way of doing business. With an emphasis on minimized risk, lowered costs, and rapid turnaround time, and its prime focus on delivery of science data, Lunar Prospector will help usher in a new era of Solar System exploration missions.

"Lunar Prospector is serving as a pathfinder in many different ways," said Hubbard. The mission has "already made

history in terms of management style, technical approach, cost management and focused science. Technical insight rather than detailed programmatic oversight was used to ensure innovation and maximum return on investment. The Ames program office paid close attention to the progress of the project and its schedule, cost and science return, but provided no detailed specifications. The Principal Investigator was given the flexibility to implement the best available approach," he said.

The Lunar Prospector spacecraft is a small, spin-stabilized vehicle with a fully fueled mass of 660 pounds. It is 4.5 feet high and 4 feet in diameter, with three 8-foot booms or masts. Solar cells mounted on its outer surface will provide more than 200 watts of power.

Five scientific instruments are mounted on the booms to isolate them from the main structure and electronics. A neutron spectrometer will have the capability to locate as little as one cup of water in about a cubic yard of lunar soil (regolith). The discovery of water ice in the lunar polar regions would mean that water, necessary for life support and a potential source of both oxygen and hydrogen to produce rocket propellant, could be available for use by future lunar explorers.

A gamma-ray spectrometer will provide global maps of the elemental composition of the surface layer of the Moon. Improved knowledge of the concentrations of such elements as uranium, thorium, potassium, iron, titanium, oxygen, silicon, aluminum, magnesium and calcium will aid in understanding the composition and evolution of the lunar crust.

An alpha particle experiment will provide information on the level of tectonic and volcanic lunar out-gassing activity. It will map the locations and frequency of radon gas release events on the Moon, a body thought to be tectonically and volcanically dead until Apollo provided evidence that it may still have some limited activity.

A magnetometer and electron reflectometer will map local lunar magnetic fields, known to be weak compared to the global magnetic field of the Earth. This will help determine the origin of such fields and may provide information on the size and composition of the lunar core.

The Doppler gravity experiment will provide the first global gravity map of the Moon, essential for planning follow-on robotic and human exploration missions. It also will provide data on density differences in the crust, internal densities and the nature of the core.

When Lunar Prospector is launched, it will take five days to reach the Moon, making two midcourse maneuvers, deploying booms, and collecting calibration data via its science instruments en route. Once the spacecraft reaches the Moon, it will be put into a circular, 118-minute, 62-mile altitude, polar-mapping orbit to begin its mission.

If fuel is available at the end of the one-year nominal mission, lunar mapping may be extended at altitudes as low as 6.2 miles over areas of special interest. After the fuel needed for orbital maintenance is depleted, the spacecraft will eventually impact on the lunar surface.

Further information on Lunar Prospector, including still imagery, is available on the Internet at the following URL:

http://pyroeis.arc.nasa.gov/lunar_prospector/home.html

The Lunar Prospector mission is being implemented for NASA by Lockheed Martin, Sunnyvale, CA, with important contributions from Los Alamos National Laboratory, the University of California-Berkeley Space Science Laboratory, the Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD, and the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA.

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Bill Hamilton's Address?

From: **Masinaigan@aol.com**
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 18:29:53 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:29:07 -0500
Subject: Bill Hamilton's Address?

Dear Errol:

Do you or anyone else on the list happen to have an email address for Bill Hamilton in Arizona? I just ran into a sightings case near Phoenix he may be very interested in.

Also, the March 10, 1997 issue of Aviation Week and Space Technology has a piece on the TWA 800 disaster. The Air National Guards who witnessed the explosion last July now claim that they saw "streaks of light" near the jetliner approaching from a direction OTHER than the object in the Kabot film.

Stay tuned!

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: "Steven W. Kaeser" <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 17:38:32 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 23:27:32 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

> Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 11:21:51 +0000
> From: Mike Smith <mickey@anix.co.uk>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

> Mac Tonnies wrote:

> > Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 19:26:25 -0600 (CST)
> > From: MAC TONNIES <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
> > To: updates@GLOBALSERVE.NET
> > Subject: Strieber's new "Stunning Alien Photo"

> > UpDates--

> > Has anyone seen the new "alien" photo posted on www.strieber.com?

> > <http://www.strieber.com/ufonews/ebphoto.html>

> > I believe this is a model from the movie "The Arrival." If anyone
> > can confirm this I'd appreciate it.

> Yep, Could be from The Arrival, need to see back of head to be sure.

> This photo has been floating around for a while, but it definitely
> looks like the one of the aliens from Arrival. As I watched the film
> last night the images are still fresh in my mind.

Re: Just a simple question (mkirk@pdi.com) (Mark Kirk), Tue 15:01)

Mike-

I was sure that the image on Streiber's site was from The Arrival, as well, but that is apparently in error. I contacted the special effects group that had worked on the film, and this was their short response to my query:

> Webmaster-

> I located your name via a WEB search for those who had been involved
> in the special effects work associated with The Arrival, which was
> released last Spring. The issue was raised when an image appeared on
> Whitley Steiber's WEB page that allegedly showed an "alien". That image
> can be seen at: <http://www.strieber.com/ufonews/ebphoto.html>, and I
> have also attempted to attach a copy of it to this email message for
> your review as well.

> I believe that the image is of the creature that you created for The
> Arrival, and I would appreciate your taking a look at it and letting me
> know your thoughts on it. Whitley has challenged those who visit his
> site to identify the image, if they can, and several have indicated that
> they believe it is from The Arrival, but so far no one has been able to
> confirm that fact. If you could provide a statement that the creature
> was created by PDI, I would be most appreciative. Of course, if it
> isn't yours, please let me know that as well.

> Thanks for your help in this.

> Steven Kaeser

> skaeser@nmaa.org
> steve@konsulting.com

nope, not us and not from The Arrival.

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So the mystery remains

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Re: Philip J. Corso

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 97 09:15:32 cst
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:03:59 -0500
Subject: Re: Philip J. Corso

>Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 16:39:52 -0600 (CST)
>From: MAC TONNIES
><0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU> To:
>updates@GLOBAISERVE.NET
>Subject: Re. Philip J. Corso

>Vince Johnson wrote:

>>Tue, 11 Mar 97 09:45:31 cst
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Philip J. Corso

>>There does appear to be a curious link between extreme right-wing,
>>racist, theocratic (read Christian Identity) radicals, and UFO lore --
>>from black helicopters to Alternative-3. I suspect that this is a
>>surprisingly sophisticated (for these bozos) propaganda campaign
>>designed to instill mistrust and paranoia -- and ultimately, political
>>instability.

>Has anyone read Curtis Peebles' "Watch the Skies"? Peebles' argument
>against the reality of the UFO phenomenon is essentially contained in
>the paragraph above. He says some ridiculous things about the MJ-12
>documents (among other things), but his sections on conspiracy theory
>and "wild ravings" ring true.

Thanks for the tip, Mac.

While one can question the origins of some kook-fringe beliefs
about UFOs, I don't think that the reality of UFOs could be
debunked on that basis. After all, UFOs (in the literal
definition of the term) undoubtedly exist.

Regards,

Vince

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: Cathy Johnson <rfsignal@M3.SPRYNET.COM>

Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 00:10:01 -0800

Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:06:36 -0500

Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

> From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>, on 3/12/97 11:27 PM:
> Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 17:38:32 -0500 (EST)
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> > > UpDates--

> > > Has anyone seen the new "alien" photo posted on www.strieber.com?

> > > <http://www.strieber.com/ufonews/ebepphoto.html>

> > > I believe this is a model from the movie "The Arrival." If anyone
> > > can confirm this I'd appreciate it.

> > > Yep, Could be from The Arrival, need to see back of head to be sure.

> > > This photo has been floating around for a while, but it definitely
> > > looks like the one of the aliens from Arrival. As I watched the film
> > > last night the images are still fresh in my mind.

> Re: Just a simple question (mkirk@pdi.com (Mark Kirk), Tue 15:01)

<<-- -- -- -- -- (>% Snip!) -- -- -- -- -- >>

In my OWN opinion, whether or not the image is artificially created or not, there some interesting things depicted by that image. The most noticeable feature is the hair that has genetically deteoriated into its present form by advanced evolution of genetic alterations. The skin tones and blemishes are consistent with a being who is very old. The lack of fat under the surface of the skin indicates a kind of metabolism that is highly specialized and most likely vegetarian. There's more but that's enough.

Whether or not the image is created, it leads me to think "Just what if...?" So far, Mr. Strieber has come up with a few 'images' that have certainly looked familiar to me. How that image came into being, whether real or not, it does what it is supposed to do, it raised concern and many questions.

Take care for now,
Cathy Johnson

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Cleanest version of the Oberg/Cooper series

From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 21:26:15 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:05:17 -0500
Subject: Cleanest version of the Oberg/Cooper series

Hello everyone,

Just wanted to mention that the best formatted, cleanest version of the Oberg/Cooper series is now available at the following address.

<http://www.li.net/~rjcohen>

Pages are linked together for maximum readability and access for research purposes. File sizes are kept small enough for easy download to BBS. Presently there are also links to the Exeter case and a reduced version of the Rockefeller Report. Links to other author-selected cases are planned for the future.

Enjoy,
Jerry Cohen

E-mail: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>

P.S. If you find any mistakes in any of the links, please let me know. Thanks!

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Movie - 'Official Denial'

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 0:03:42 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:07:55 -0500
Subject: Movie - 'Official Denial'

Philip Mantle wrote:

>Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 03:43:09 +0000
>From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Official Denial

>This cheaply made film depicts a modern-day style Roswell
>UFO crash event with one living alien being captured by
>the US military. I will not bore you with the story line
>but the aliens, who are actually humans from our future,
>look similar to the creature in Ray Santilli's alien
>autopsy film, although they do not have the pot belly nor
>six digits on hands and feet.

>There is, however, one scene in this film of one of the
>creatures being autopsied ?

>I just wondered if anyone had seen this movie and would
>like to comment on the similarities or not between it and
>the Santilli film.

I'm familiar with the alien featured in "Denial" and I don't think it looks remotely like the creature in Santilli's film. The "Denial" alien is a typical "Gray," inasmuch as the movie's budget would allow. While it can't hurt to ponder the similarities, I feel the chances of the "Denial" alien having anything to do with Santilli are nil.

Perhaps a more Santilli-like alien can be found in the also cheaply-made science fiction film, "Brainwave," in which the humanoid survivors of a UFO crash are kept underground. One is even subjected to an autopsy (a very familiar component to any good alien movie)! This film is of particular interest because the aliens, once revealed, are just bald children...the FX people didn't even _try_.

Either of the aforementioned films would have benefited from the techniques used in Santilli's footage (if it's a fake).

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Re: Lonnie Zamora - Socorro, New Mexico

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 06:24:27 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:53:30 -0500
Subject: Re: Lonnie Zamora - Socorro, New Mexico

>Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 03:37:44 +0000
>From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Lonnie Zamora _ Socorro, New Mexico

>Does anyone have a contact for retired police officer Lonnie Zamora in
>Socorro, New Mexico. I presume he is still alive?

Philip-

Lonnie still lives in New Mexico, according to one person that I've been in touch with, but refuses to talk with anyone about his experience. I'll see if I can narrow down the search area, and perhaps get an address.

Steve

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Re: Dogfight Over Denmark

From: viggo.andersen@post3.tele.dk (Andersen, Viggo)
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 12:51:41 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:54:57 -0500
Subject: Re: Dogfight Over Denmark

>Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 09:58:28 -0500
>From: Jerry Washington <skyeking@aye.net>
>Reply-To: skyeking@aye.net
>Organization: Kentucky/MUFON
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Dogfight

>Has anybody out there come across any follow-up reports
>to the recent story in UFO ROUNDUP (V.2, #10) about a UFO
>"dogfight" over Denmark?

>
>Jerry Washington
> Kentucky/MUFON

I have sent an email inquiry to SUFOI here in Denmark
and will post whatever reply I receive. I didn't find the
incidence mentioned in the list of reports from December
at their web site:

<http://www.sufoi.dk>

They also have pages in English (needless to say, probably).

Viggo.

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 21:34:14 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:56:22 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

> Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 17:38:32 -0500 (EST)
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: "Steven W. Kaeser" <steve@konsulting.com>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

> I was sure that the image on Streiber's site was from The Arrival,
> as well, but that is apparently in error. I contacted the special effects
> group that had worked on the film, and this was their short response to my
> query:

> > Webmaster-

> > I located your name via a WEB search for those who had been involved
> > in the special effects work associated with The Arrival, which was
> > released last Spring. The issue was raised when an image appeared on
> > Whitley Steiber's WEB page that allegedly showed an "alien". That image
> > can be seen at: <http://www.strieber.com/ufonews/ebepphoto.html> , and I
> > have also attempted to attach a copy of it to this email message for
> > your review as well.

*** snip ***

> > Thanks for your help in this.

> > Steven Kaeser
> > skaeser@nmaa.org
> > steve@konsulting.com

> nope, not us and not from The Arrival.

> mark

> _____
> Mark Kirk Tel : 415.846.8100
> Pacific Data Images Email: mkirk@pdi.com

> ===== end forwarded message =====

> So the mystery remains

> Steve Kaeser
> steve@konsulting.com

I don't think there is much of a mystery to this so called "stunning alien". The only thing that is stunned here is logic.

I recall that this alien was used in an episode of the remake series of "The Outer Limits" which airs on the Fox Network this episode originally aired sometime in 1996 and was also re-run. The plot was about a newly elected president having to cope with the unexpected arrival of an alien fleet, our inability to communicate and understand the motivations of the aliens and vice versa which leads to an unprovoked attack by the US and USSR on the aliens based on human fears of an invasion and inability to understand the aliens motivations and actions. The aliens possessing superior technology respond destroying Moscow and Washington but not before the American President has the opportunity to learn that his failure to stand by his principles and be goaded into martial action is responsible to his destruction. Typical Outer Limits moral coda. Checkout the Outer Limits episodes.

P.S. The aliens come from a water world and ask to live in our oceans -

move over fish, dolphins and whales.

Someone at Fox or the Outer Limits should be able to come up with the episodes name.

Oh, by the way - every time someone comes up with a hoaky alien posting should we be wasting our time on this? I hope this brings this thread to a quick end.

Gary

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 01:25:32 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:51:55 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Steven W. Kaeser" <steve@konsulting.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's
> Site

>> Date: Mon, 10 Mar 1997 11:21:51 +0000
>> From: Mike Smith <mickey@anix.co.uk>
>> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's Site

>> Mac Tonnies wrote:

>> > Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 19:26:25 -0600 (CST)
>> > From: MAC TONNIES <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
>> > To: updates@GLOBALSERVE.NET
>> > Subject: Strieber's new "Stunning Alien Photo"

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Hiya Mac, hi all,

I finally got out to Whitley's website to see what all the hubbub was about "this time"! You guys have the correct diagnosis, It's a dummy all right, just the wrong movie! It looks like one of the ones they used in Budds' movie "Intruders."

Re: Whitley's alien photo.

Ja mon, de only part dat I don' recollect from "Introodahs" mon, be de "dreadlocks" on da alien. <G> I laughed my keester off when I saw them.

"That's that Nam grass man that'll do that to ya, make your face go all weird like that..." Tommy Chong, "Up in smoke" <G>

But the alien is identical to the ones used in Intruders. Check it out and you tell me what you think. Hope this helps to resolve the mystery.

What I have trouble figuring out is, why Whitley is posting this (obviously) fake Hollywood crap on his site in the first place. What's up Whitley?

I go out of my way to make sure that the UFO videos and other photos we feature on our site have at least been analysed beforehand by competent professionals (University video labs and the like) and deemed genuine. I try in my own way to follow protocols that will minimize the possibility of our putting something 'bogus' up on the website. I'm just surprised to see this kind of "pulp" stuff coming from Whitley. What ever happened to, check it out before you put it out there. It's already confusing enough without having to take the time to eliminate obvious fakes.

He's just too intelligent/experienced a man to really think that a posed 'studio photo' like that one could possibly be real! Regardless of what bee movie it came from originally.

Voice of "Obewon": (In plaintive, pleading tone)

"Luuuke,...come back from the dark side Luuuuuke!"

John Velez ;-) Pay now, fly later!

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Re: Lonnie Zamora - Socorro, New Mexico

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 13 Mar 97 08:40:13 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 08:57:47 -0500
Subject: Re: Lonnie Zamora - Socorro, New Mexico

>Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 03:37:44 +0000
>From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Lonnie Zamora _ Socorro, New Mexico

Philip,

Lonnie Zamorra still lives in Socorro. I wanted to talk to him when I was out there last year, but he will not talk to any UFO people any more.

Can you blame him?

Bob

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From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 97 09:54:56 cst
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 11:28:42 -0500
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Hi Mac,

Santilli's Curious Alien Manniken (SCAM) looks more like the
purported alien critter in the silver suit with the big
zipper that usually graces the "UFOs Are Real!" ad. I
understand that this was from some Canadian side-show
exhibit.

Anybody else see this resemblance?

Regards,

Vince

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From: Andrew Cooke <AC3@datcon.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 15:15:33 -0000
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'bogus' and 'pulpy'??

Sorry to keep the thread hanging on, but did these people genuinely believe that Whitley thought that he had got that rarest photo of them all, a nice full face photo of an alien, complemented by a clear white background???

No, I don't think so. I wonder sometimes how many people actually read the words associated with the pictures, which I have learnt often completely changes the context of the story. In the body text of his web page Whitley states...

"This and all the other pictures I post are MEANT to be debunked, if you can. And hey, some of these babies are pushovers. The Abydos Temple photo, for example. Okay, its a Sikorsky in ancient Egypt. Really? Come on, just tell me how it was done!"

I think that says it all!

Andrew Cooke

p.s. Its not 'hoaky' and 'wasting our time', its actually quite interesting to see how the various people subscribing to this list have pulled together and tried to solve this puzzle. If more people had as much enthusiasm and interest as has been shown recently, I believe that UFO research would take a massive leap forward.

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From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 13 Mar 97 09:35:49 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 11:27:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

Errol and all,

After seeing the messages for several days on UFO Updates about the "stunning new alien photo" on Whit Strieber's web site, I finally took the time today to go there and take a look.

Anyone here ever heard of "The Outer Limits" TV series? This critter was in an episode last year and appears in promos for the series.

It looks NOTHING like the critters in "The Arrival" which looked to me like the Duracell bunny, but with the joints of their legs improbably hinged backwards.

Makes me wonder if UFO people suffer from visual problems!

Bob

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'Magonia' On Line

From: **Mark Pilkington** <markp@syzygy.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 16:28:14 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 11:35:21 -0500
Subject: 'Magonia' On Line

For anyone who hasn't seen it yet, please check out

<http://www.netkonect.co.uk/d/dogon/index.htm>

It's Magonia online, a companion to the long running British UFO/Fortean journal of the same name.

There's an ever expanding archive, which like the Dallas paper, will soon be scooping itself, and a number of new articles on various topics.

Please link it if you have your own site, or mail me if you want to be linked or if you have any stuff you'd like published here.

Cheers
Mark

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Alfred's Odd Ode #107

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 10:30:56 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 11:42:05 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #107

Apology to MW #107 (For March 13, 1997)=20

Would you work without your pay?
Would you give up all your play?
Would you toil at tasks that bored you so completely?

The answer is flat, "no!"=20
And you=92d strut and flap, and crow,
"My momma birthed un-stupid babies, please excuse me"! =20
=20
Then you=92d take your minute lunch,
And you=92d get back to your crunch.
The paychecks all the reason you don=92t cut fast, and loosely.

=91Cause if it wasn=92t for the pay. . .
Well, they could eat your shorts =96 good day. . .
And moving on is where you=92d find it . . . juicy.

Hata tata ta!
Hata tata ta!
Hata tata tata tota ta!

We=92ll, we ask it of our kids!
We work =91em hard, no little bit!
We expect the hardest labor for _no_ money!

And when the kid asks, "what=92s my end"?
You say, "be your cultures friend."
"Or we=92ll cut you loose, and make you feel *lonely*."

Well the *smart* kids pick up quick
They can keep the stiffer lip.
They play the game, but learning comes obtusely.

But the *dumb* kids want the point!
They can see they=92re out of joint!
And they want answers; far from stupid, they=92re made crazy!

Too young to see the light . . .
And that=92s that learning=92s _worth_ their fight;
We should pay =91em good, and let =91em earn their gravy!

We want our kid=92s so smart,
They learn the starry skies by heart,
And explain the UFO=92s that drive us crazy <g>!

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

At some point for the dynamic human personality -- a graduation, or other bean counting ceremony, it is assumed that the butterfly of the adult emerges from its unpaid larval, and chrysalis stages into an adulthood where pay is _expected_ for work. Hmmm. Why not pay the kids for mastery of their lessons? This would only improve the efficacy of the eventual adult =96 and probably empty our prisons . . .or so says the alien view.=20

--=20
"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from

afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
fundamentalist's uneducated stake.

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Wingfield Bytes

From: MOMUS@uk.pipeline.com (George Wingfield)
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 17:21:18 GMT
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 01:05:40 -0500
Subject: Wingfield Bytes

To three lists, re Fortean Times' gullibility.....
("anything, as long as it sells....")

John Sayer wrote in response to Chad Deetken's criticism of Rob Irving and the picture which he published in Fortean Times purporting to show a UFO in a hangar at the NATO airbase at Aviano (Italy) :-

>Rob has been on British TV talking about this - how he created the
>photograph in "Photoshop" (computer software). I don't have the Fortean
>Times article, but for those who do, check to find the phrase "computer
>enhanced" somewhere. Rob was absolutely clear about the photo being a
>creation on TV, so I don't think he or Fortean Times can be charged with
>deceit here.

>John

This needs some clarification. Chad was quite correct in saying that the composite picture, which was forged using computer software, was originally published in Fortean Times (#84, Dec 1995) as part of Irving's article "Boom! Time for UFO's" with the caption : "Spacecraft or Spyplane?".

There was at that stage no suggestion that the photo was a forgery and no clue as to how it had been produced. "Computer enhanced" has a very different meaning to "computer created". Naturally it caused quite a stir with several UFO researchers, especially in Italy, who assumed that it was genuine.

Only much later did Irving and Fortean Times admit that the picture was produced using 'Photoshop' computer software to digitise and combine two images: one of an open hangar for jet fighters at Aviano and one of a model UFO --the "Bob Lazar Sports Model" -- which had been sold by Gloria Wingfield.

Despite Fortean Times's mealy-mouthed apology at that time, claiming that no deception was intended, there were quite a few people at the Fortean Times UnConvention in London last April who were far from satisfied with what appeared to have been deliberate trickery.

George Wingfield

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 97 09:59:10 -0700
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 01:03:57 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

On Whitley's photos, this line was included:

The Abydos Temple photo, for example. Okay, its a Sikorsky in ancient Egypt.

This photo was supplied to Whitley by myself. It is not a fake photo. Dr. Ruth Hover took this photo of a wall panel at the Temple of Abydos in Egypt while on a tour. Others have photographed this same panel. The object on the panel "appears" to have a configuration like a helicopter. Since it was posted on my website to have aeronautical engineers and aviation buffs study the appearance of this object and others to assess whether they have aerodynamic design or not, not to prove the existence of ancient aircraft, but to generate intelligent discussion. The photo itself is not in question. I have seen the original. Unfortunately, Richard Motzer, did a little too much cleaning up of the image when he loaded it up as a tiff, but the helicopter-like object appears on the original. Small wooden gliders have been found in Egypt.

As for the other photos - the Shargel image of a Roswell craft that looks like an axe head may be either a small part that he die-cast or, as someone has seen it, a panel part from a vacuum cleaner. Up close, one can see discrepancies in light and shadow on the object.

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton

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James Oberg Saw UFO?

From: sts48@IX.NETCOM.COM (Donald Ratsch)
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 17:52:08 GMT
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 01:09:27 -0500
Subject: James Oberg Saw UFO?

To insiders list, from D.R., with our comments:

----- Begin Forwarded Message

Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 21:34:49 -0600 (CST)
From: sts48@ix.netcom.com (Donald Ratsch)
Subject: James Oberg Sees UFO

The STS-37 UFO is an impressive event as this round object suddenly makes its appearance from left of screen moving fast and majestically to the right, changes course to the left and then hovers almost to a stop except for a little bobbing. The shuttle is on the DAYLIGHT side of earth as the earth is in color can be seen below. In reviewing my old snail mail from James Oberg, dated July 14, 1992, I realized that the UFO that was just described was seen on a second occasion by none other than NASA UFO Debunker, James Oberg. Oberg saw the UFO when he was in the mission control room when the shuttle was on the NIGHTSIDE of the earth. Quoting his third paragraph of his letter:

"Last but not least is a page from my personal log written during the STS-37 mission last April, when I was in the Mission Control Center for the deploy of the GRO science satellite. While watching a long stretch of nightside video I saw a bright ovoid image cross the screen from left to right. Although I was sure there was a rational explanation it was an impressive apparition. I personally never thought it was an alien spacecraft but you are welcome to follow up on it. And I'm presuming you have been taping the NASA Select video since STS-48."

When I posted his comments last year on the newsgroup, alt.paranet.ufo Oberg started backpedaling and replied that what he most likely saw was a city light. Well that explanation doesn't wash. On a typical mission Oberg sees night city lights all the time on the big screen, moving as the earth rotates and the shuttle orbits high above at 17,500 mph. I am sure he doesn't jump up and down with excitement every time he enters the Mission Control Center and looks up

at the city lights moving slowly across the big screen. Mr. Oberg has to tell me which city on earth looks like an ovoid impressive apparition as seen from the shuttle. No, James Oberg saw an unusual object for him to say, "it was an impressive apparition." So the UFO appeared at least twice during the STS-37 mission, once while the shuttle was on the daylight side of the earth as viewed in the above footage and again on the nightside of the earth while Oberg watched in amazement.

And in conclusion I would sure like to have had my VCR channeled to NASA TV and recording during the STS-49 mission! In a letter to me from

Jim Oberg, dated August 11, 1992 he wrote, "Now the very interesting object on the "flight before STS-50" (he is talking about STS-49). Boy, it sure doesn't look like ice to me! But what could it possibly have been?" "...The way it moved as it crossed over the horizon was really impressive: was it a genuine UFO or an accidental SFX?"

Comment: Well, Capt. Jim says he saw an "impressive apparition".

Since apparitions are figments of the mind, guess NASA has made a major psychic breakthrough to videotape an "apparition". Wow! Gee willikers!

This brings to mind my own feelings as to what ufos are -

1) the usual definition is that it is an alien SPACESHIP.
Or space-craft.

2) other people call just about anything anomalous a UFO. Here we need to watch out that we not become what Jim Moseley calls "ufoologists".

intelligently "anomalous objects", and avoid the comic book terms that skeptics love to jump on us about.

At the museum, out here, we say there are:

- a) intelligent blobs that change.
- b) blobs that change into structured craft,
- c) and back.
- d) structured craft that shape-shift but stay structured.
- e) ditto except they change into blobs.
- f) non-changing structured craft (Billy Meier type hoaxes)
- g) all of the above.
- h) none of the above
- i) some of the above, mixed up.

In any case, let's try to use the term UFO-Craft

and "anomalous intelligently moving energy-forms". (Blobs)

Somebody who knows Oberg's email, forward this to him.

Thanks to Capt., Jim, we appeared on WARNER BROS NETWORK TV, since he referred us to them.

Thanks, Capt. Jim.

%^)

PS BTW, don't anybody ever expect Capt'n Jim or anyone at NASA to admit they really, really saw or believe in UFOS.

If they do, they will be fired. Canned. Dumped.

So don't push them.

%^)

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Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

From: **Steven Kaeser** <skaeser@konsulting.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 12:47:01 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 01:07:13 -0500
Subject: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's

Gary Levy wrote:

>Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 21:34:14 -0500
>From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

> I don't think there is much of a mystery to this so called "stunning
> alien". The only thing that is stunned here is logic.

> I recall that this alien was used in an episode of the remake series
> of "The Outer Limits" which airs on the Fox Network this episode
> originally aired sometime in 1996 and was also re-run.

Text deleted for brevity. . . .

> Someone at Fox or the Outer Limits should be able to come up with
> the episodes name.

> Oh, by the way - every time someone comes up with a hoaky alien
> posting should we be wasting our time on this? I hope this brings
> this thread to a quick end.

> Gary

The Outer Limits has a WEB site and it is produced by MGM/UUA (While a number of FOX affiliates have picked up the show, it isn't produced by that network). I have forwarded a query to them for clarification, and will post what I get back.

I would agree that there really isn't too much of a mystery here, but we should be able to identify the source if it comes from a commercial film or program.

Steve

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Movie - 'Official Denial'

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 12:32:09 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:23:44 -0500
Subject: Movie - 'Official Denial'

Vince Johnson wrote:

>From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
>Date: Thu, 13 Mar 97 09:54:56 cst
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Movie - 'Official Denial'

>Santilli's Curious Alien Manniken (SCAM) looks more like the
>purported alien critter in the silver suit with the big
>zipper that usually graces the "UFOs Are Real!" ad. I
>understand that this was from some Canadian side-show
>exhibit.

>Anybody else see this resemblance?

Yes, the dummy you refer to was used as a prop at some kind of
space symposium in Montreal, I think. There are two photos of this
"critter": one is the color photo you mention and the other is a
grainy-looking black and white frontal view. There is a resemblance,
in the sense that both creatures (the Canadian and the Santillian)
look like they could be humans with weird disorders.

I wonder where the Canadian model is now? I wonder who made it and
what its purpose was?

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UFO UpDate Re: Genesis of "Stunning New Alien Image" at

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 12:22:09 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:25:16 -0500
Subject: UFO UpDate Re: Genesis of "Stunning New Alien Image" at

Cathy Johnson wrote:

>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Cathy Johnson <rfsignal@M3.SPRYNET.COM>
>Subject: re: UFO UpDate: Re: Genesis of 'Stunning Alien Photo' at Whitley's
>Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 00:10:01 -0800

> In my OWN opinion, whether or not the image is
>artificially created or not, there some interesting things
>depicted by that image. The most noticeable feature is
>the hair that has genetically deteoriated into its present
>form by advanced evolution of genetic alterations. The
>skin tones and blemishes are consistent with a being who
>is very old. The lack of fat under the surface of the skin
>indicates a kind of metabolism that is highly specialized
>and most likely vegetarian. There's more but that's enough.

"Hair that has genetically deteriorated into its present form
by advanced evolution of genetic alterations"?

This sounds like gobbledegook. And I don't think this is
"noticeable" at all. What's noticeable is that the creature
has a weird, doughy-looking mass where hair would be on a human.
The rest is assumption.

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Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #107

From: **Jakes Louw** <louwje@telkom.co.za>
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 07:56:46 +0200
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:26:57 -0500
Subject: Re: Alfred's Odd Ode #107

>Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 10:30:56 -0600
>From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #107

>Apology to MW #107 (For March 13, 1997)

>Would you work without your pay?
>Would you give up all your play?
>Would you toil at tasks that bored you so completely?

>The answer is flat, "no!"
>And you*d strut and flap, and crow,
>"My momma birthed un-stupid babies, please excuse me"!

[snip]

>At some point for the dynamic human personality -- a graduation, or
>other bean counting ceremony, it is assumed that the butterfly of the
>adult emerges from its unpaid larval, and chrysalis stages into an
>adulthood where pay is expected for work. Hmmm. Why not pay the kids
>for mastery of their lessons? This would only improve the efficacy of
>the eventual adult * and probably empty our prisons . . .or so says the
>alien view.

Jeez, Alf, I dunno where you get this stuff, but I reckon your Alien
View is totally cool!

Jakes

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Mac Tonnies - Correction!

From: **MAC TONNIES** <0212104@ACAD.NWMISSOURI.EDU>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 16:23:53 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:31:38 -0500
Subject: Mac Tonnies - Correction!

Dear Errol and everyone,

In a recent post ("Movie--'Official Denial'"), I mentioned a movie entitled "Brainwave." This is in error. the correct title of this film is "Wavelength." It's widely available on video.

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Re: Movie - 'Official Denial'

From: **Steven Kaeser** <skaeser@konsulting.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 15:38:24 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:28:29 -0500
Subject: Re: Movie - 'Official Denial'

>From: **Vince Johnson at TENSOR** <HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com>
>Date: Thu, 13 Mar 97 09:54:56 cst
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Movie - 'Official Denial'

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> zipper that usually graces the "UFOs Are Real!" ad. I
> understand that this was from some Canadian side-show
> exhibit.

> Anybody else see this resemblance?

The "alien critter" you refer to was designed to look like a "Gray", which has become a meme in our society. I would note that Santilli's "alien" was rejected (in part) because it failed to match the accepted image of a "Gray".

As it stands now, the "meme" of the common Gray is so prevalent that we are seeing numerous products being sold that are based on it. A local nature product chain known as "Natural Wonders" now has an entire section related to the common alien image, which I find to be somewhat amusing. The Johnson Smith Co. in Florida has about 30 different products related to the "meme" that it sells through its catalog of unusual offerings. None resemble the Santilli "Alien" very closely, but they all closely follow the accepted image of the alien "Gray". Then again, that's the image that seems to sell the best. . . .<g>

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Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

From: Michael Christol <mchristo@mindspring.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 18:27:31 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:33:12 -0500
Subject: Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>Date: Sat, 01 Mar 1997 12:03:11 -0500
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>Date: Fri, 28 Feb 1997 23:22:01 -0500 (EST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Michael Christol <mchristo@mindspring.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Skywatch: COSMIC TOP
> SECRET/Dr. Michael Wolf

>>From: Peregrine Mendoza <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>Subject: Re: Dr. Michael Wolf

>>The Duke of Mendoza presents his compliments.

>>> ----- Forwarded Message Follows -----
>>> From: "Michael Hockney" <bhockney@vip.net>
>>> To: <skywatch@phoenix.net>
>>> Subject: COSMIC TOP SECRET / DR. MICHAEL WOLF
>>> Date: Tue, 18 Feb 1997 00:55:57 -0800

>>[snip]

>>> This article is in UFO MAGAZINE and the interview was conducted
>>> by James Courant, transcribed by Graham W. Birdsall.

>>>[snip]

>>>Sadder still are the editorial standards of the Birdseed Bros who
>>>published this rubbish. It marks a new low in a magazine already
>>>guaranteed to give those of culture and taste an astonished guffaw
>>>with every turn of the page. Their motives would make interesting
>>>reading. So will their reactions to the screams of "disinformation"
>>>that ought, on previous form, to be expected from various quarters.
>>>best wishes
>>>P. Mendoza Brassrubber
>>>(A usual suspect)

>>The "Birdseed Bros" - that brings back 26-year-old memories from our
>>schooldays!

>>Well, regardless of what one may or may not think of Dr. Michael Wolf, I
>>simply reported on the statements made by James Courant at the 15th Leeds
>>International UFO Conference (6 - 8 September 1996) and subsequently
>>transcribed to the best of my ability audiotape interviews between said
>>gentlemen.

>>The transcript duly appeared in our Nov/Dec '96 issue of the magazine which
>>appeared on newsstands on Thursday, 24 October 1996.

>>However, in the interest of balance, it is only fair and reasonable to
>>quote what I had to say in the end paragraph of said article:

>>"In our opinion, Dr. Michael Wolf is either one of the most convincing
>>story-tellers seen for decades, or he might just turn out to be the most
>>important figure to emerge in Ufology for the last 50 years. Only time will
>>tell."

>>What is equally important to recognise is that the article surfaced only
>>weeks after Dr. Wolf had spoken on radio in the United States - until that
>>time nobody had ever heard of the man. Had we not published the transcript
>>of his interview with James Courant, would we be any the wiser? Wolf could
>>have gone on to establish himself as yet another mysterious figure able to
>>pop out of the woodwork at any given time.

>>I also wrote in the final summary of the feature: "... doubtless he will
>>come under the most intense media spotlight (along with UFO researchers
>>too) as they seek to confirm or deny all or part of his [Dr. Wolf's]
>>incredible revelations." To be fair, only Stanton T. Friedman made the
>>effort to check-out Dr. Wolf's credentials. It's taken 5 months for any
>>further comment.

>>Motives behind our decision to publish? To allow other researchers to duly
>>scrutinise Dr. Wolf's background in the United States and pass comment (and
>>judgement) accordingly. That we achieved.

>>Best regards,
>>Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]
>>UFO Magazine

Hi Graham.

I simply wish to say that I have known Dr. Michael Wolf since 1992.
I average talking to him by phone two or three times a year. His
health has been bad for these past years, suffering from terminal
cancer, which goes in and out of remission from time to time. I have
spoken to him at times, just after he had taken a Chemo treatment.
He was very weak, yet he would always spend a few minutes with me in
conversation.

I guess we are more or less friends, but I never press him to reveal
info to me, which he deems clasified. That is/was his life style prior
to his illness. I respect his right to privacy. Thus we have been able
to communicate without fear of reproachment.

REgards, Mike

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Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 19:16:07 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:34:45 -0500
Subject: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

Regarding..

>Date: 05 Mar 97 10:36:51 EST
>From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth 2/2

Bob wrote:

>Thanks for putting together this concise and accurate summary. It
>is a useful contribution to the study of the film, which is more than
>I can say for most of the commentary.

Bob,

It was intended to be exactly that, simply a summary of the story from the different perspectives. As much as anything, I wanted to replace the "Q & A" document with something hopefully more comprehensive and readable.

>Permit me some minor clarification.

By all means.

>Mr. Milson has clearly shown in his letters that he is not
>technically knowledgeable, and this is a good example. He refers to
>"leader" when he is clearly talking about blank film.

I had referred to it as blank film, which seems to be correct and if Milson's comments are inadvertently inaccurate, I'll remove that quote in future.

>Kodak in Denmark initially identified the film as definitely from
>1947. This was due to a misprint in Kodak's printed material which
>showed the edge markings for 1947 as a solid triangle and square, and
>showed those for 1967 as a triangle and square drawn in outline.

I dare say it's academic, but for the record, in a telephone conversation at the time, recorded and transcribed with permission, Peter Milson explained the reason to Tony Dodd at Quest International:

"My colleague in Denmark, who's not perhaps as much experienced and it isn't such a big market place, had looked at the film, looked at the first bit of the chart and said "1947".

Now, what I've done this morning is , I've talked to my Danish colleague and I said, "the edge code you looked at", he said, "yeah", I said, "what did you say?". (He said) "Well, it's '47". I said, "yeah, but it also could be '27 and '67".

"Ah...", he said, "didn't realise that", 'cause he's fairly inexperienced.

So I said to him, "OK, go back to the distributor and say you've got more information and it could be '27, '47 and '67."

>I do not know which type of film the copy material I have is on.

I thought that was an important point to clarify.

>...the film boxes may be total fabrication, since no one other than
>the cameraman has seen them.

It seems Ray Santilli did claim he once had possession of the boxes.

In December of 1995, Philip Mantle asked Ray, "Why have the original film box labels not been made available for examination but only copies instead", to which he replied, "I only have copies, the boxes were returned".

In January of 1996, you mentioned, "I expect to be able to inspect the actual film boxes in the near future".

Were you led to believe the original boxes would be made available by the "cameraman", or that Ray still had them?

James.
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Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 19:16:35 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:36:17 -0500
Subject: Re: Kaufman's 'Roswell' Report

Regarding...

>From: KRandle993@aol.com [Kevin Randle]
>Date: Sun, 2 Mar 1997 10:05:59 -0500 (EST)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Kaufmann's 'Roswell' Report

Kevin wrote:

>>I'm not sure when Kaufmann's report first surfaced and it would be
>>interesting to know.

>My first interview with him was conducted on January 4, 1990.

Kevin,

Thank you for the response.

Dennis Stacy has perhaps summarised the overall questions and if you
can add some further information, I'm sure it would be of general
interest and appreciated.

James.
E-mail: pulsar@compuserve.com

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Re: Movie - 'Official Denial'

From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 19:22:43 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:39:22 -0500
Subject: Re: Movie - 'Official Denial'

Regarding...

>Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 03:43:09 +0000
>From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
>Subject: Official Denial

Philip asked:

>Has anyone seen the movie 'Official Denial' which stars Dirk Benedict
>(The A Team) and was made by Paramount.

>I just wondered if anyone had seen this movie and would like to
>comment on the similarities or not between it and the Santilli film.

Philip,

The "aliens" in the film appear to be based more on some standard cultural perceptions, with the autopsy and other aspects probably influenced by the Roswell story.

Another film which has the ubiquitous "alien autopsy" is "XTRO 3: Watch the Skies".

The "alien" doesn't resemble the one in Ray's film, but the "autopsy" is viewed from behind a glass partition.

The special effects are the work of David Barton/Modus and the film is dated 1995.

Incidentally, I spoke this week with Cliff Wallace of Creature Effects in Pinewood Studios. He brought up a point I hadn't heard mentioned before and that was the frequency in the SFX industry of what he called "deferred payments". Essentially it's a standard contract where the SFX company's payment is based on a percentage of the subsequent money made by the film.

He was also saying how astonished his colleagues and himself have been at the film's relative success and they would still be interested in producing their own version, if someone came up with the money.

He indicated that a figure of 50,000 pounds would be a sufficient temptation.

His estimate for the cost of the materials used in Ray's film was by comparison, just 1500 pounds.

James.
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Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 19:16:22 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:40:55 -0500
Subject: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

Regarding...

>From: XianneKei@aol.com
>Date: Wed, 5 Mar 1997 16:09:44 -0500 (EST)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

Rebecca Schatte wrote:

>I spoke with Mike Anderson of Tripple Entertainment on Thanksgiving
>Day 1995. He informed me that they did not have a blank piece of film
>but something he called countdown footage.

Rebecca,

Thanks for mentioning this. I haven't heard of that sample being described as "countdown footage" before.

As evidence, it presumably remains a film sample which offers no corroboration.

James.
E-mail: pulsar@compuserve.com

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NASA Plans Comet Hale-Bopp Observing Campaign

From: NASANews@hq.nasa.gov
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 16:08:24 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:30:00 -0500
Subject: NASA Plans Comet Hale-Bopp Observing Campaign

Don Savage/Doug Isbell
Headquarters, Washington, DC
(Phone: 202/358-1547) March 13, 1997

Jim Sahli
Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD
(Phone: 301/286-0697)

Diane Ainsworth/Jane Platt
Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena, CA
(Phone: 818/354-5011)

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NASA PLANS COMET HALE-BOPP OBSERVING CAMPAIGN, ACTIVITIES

As the orbit of Comet Hale-Bopp (C/1995 O1) brings it closer to the Sun in late March, NASA and agency-supported scientists will study the large and bright comet using sounding rockets, spacecraft and ground-based observations. Using NASA's Hubble Space Telescope, Hale-Bopp's nucleus was measured at roughly three to four times larger than that of comet Halley (six miles in diameter), making it one of the largest comets ever observed. Researchers are studying Hale-Bopp to better understand comets, primitive bodies of loosely-packed ice and dust that many scientists consider the best-preserved remnants of the early Solar System.

Other agency activities, including a media day for coverage of the sounding rocket launches, and special Internet home pages for posting images obtained by NASA missions as well as amateur astronomers, are outlined below with points of contact and other relevant information.

Sounding Rocket Campaign

The Wallops Flight Facility (WFF), Wallops Island, VA, will conduct four sounding rocket launches starting March 24 through April 5. The missions will be launched for NASA by the U.S. Navy at the White Sands Missile Range (WSMR), NM. The payloads, launched on two-stage Black-Brant IX rockets, will observe the comet in the ultraviolet wavelengths of light for about five minutes before returning to Earth. The payloads will be recovered following a parachute descent at White Sands. Images of the sounding rocket activity at WSMR will be posted to the Internet at: <http://www.wff.nasa.gov/~web/comet.html>

WFF and WSMR will host a media day at White Sands Missile Range from noon to 4 p.m. MST, March 24. Dr. Alan Hale, co-discoverer of the comet, will be at the site to speak to reporters. Media also are invited to cover the 8:15 p.m. MST launch. For clearance to visit White Sands, call the White Sands Public Affairs Office (PAO) at 505/678-1134. For more information on the sounding rocket campaign, call WFF PAO at 757/824-1579.

Ulysses spacecraft

The joint NASA/European Space Agency Ulysses spacecraft, now in solar orbit, will study what happens to comets as they are exposed to different solar wind conditions at various solar latitudes. Hale-Bopp is about to enter the Sun's lower latitude zone, where solar wind (a continuous outflow of charged particles streaming from the Sun in all directions at a million miles per hour) is disturbed compared with the equatorial regions. Dramatic changes in the comet's plasma tail are expected to occur at these lower celestial latitudes.

A related observing program, called "Ulysses Comet Watch," a collaboration between the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Pasadena, CA, and the University of Colorado, will provide images from more than 200 amateur observers around the world. These images will be posted on the Ulysses Comet Watch home page on the Internet at <http://lasp.colorado.edu/ucw/index.html>. Observations will continue to be posted after the comet makes its closest approach to the Sun on April 1.

Hubble Space Telescope

NASA's Hubble Space Telescope has made a series of observations of the comet, particularly the nucleus, since September 1995. Hubble cannot observe Hale-Bopp during the next few months because the comet is too close to the Sun -- Hubble's sensitive detectors could be damaged if pointed in that direction. The last observation was made on Oct. 18, 1996, and the next possible opportunity will be this autumn.

Dr. Harold Weaver will publish the results of his observations with Hubble in the March 28 issue of Science magazine. For more information, contact the Space Telescope Science Institute (STScI), Baltimore, MD, at 410/338-4514. Images already obtained by Hubble are available from the Internet at <http://opposite.stsci.edu/pubinfo/PR/95/41.html>

Other NASA Comet Investigations

NASA's Polar spacecraft will make observations of Hale-Bopp using ultraviolet and visible imaging instruments. For more information call the Goddard Space Flight Center, PAO, Greenbelt, MD, at 301/286-0697. Images obtained by Polar will be posted to the Internet site at: <http://pao.gsfc.nasa.gov/gsfsc/spacesci/pictures/spacepic.htm>. Scientists have been using NASA's Infrared Telescope Facility, Mauna Kea, HI, to observe Hale-Bopp in the infrared region of the spectrum. Their observations will be made through Hale-Bopp's perihelion and continue until summer. For more information call NASA Headquarters at 202/358-1547.

NASA also will fly a mid-deck experiment on the Space Shuttle Discovery's STS-85 mission in July. The experiment is the Southwest Ultraviolet Imaging System, designed to complement the capabilities of the 5-10 minute sounding rocket flights by observing the comet more extensively during the Shuttle's 11-day mission. For more information call NASA Headquarters at 202/358-1547.

In addition, NASA and the National Science Foundation are collaborating on ground-based observations and analyses of Hale-Bopp. For information, contact NASA Headquarters at 202/358-1547.

JPL "Comet Chasers: On the Trail of a Comet" Public Event

JPL will host a public event called "Comet Chasers: On the Trail of a Comet" on Friday, April 11, at JPL. The event is co-sponsored by the Galileo and Stardust projects. Galileo, which is touring the Jovian system, observed the 1994 Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 impact on Jupiter. Stardust will launch in 1999, capture samples of comet dust from the Comet Wild-2 and return them to Earth for study. Activities will include a comet viewing session (weather permitting), and a round-table discussion of the study of comets and NASA's role in comet studies, featuring David Levy, co-discoverer of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9, Dr. Don Yeomans of JPL, and Dr. Alan Hale and Thomas Bopp, co-discoverers of Comet Hale-Bopp. The panelists also will discuss NASA's Stardust mission to Comet Wild-2 in 2004. For more information, call 818/354-5011.

Web Sites, Images, Information and Experts

In addition to the Internet sites already listed, the JPL Hale-Bopp Home Page is a comprehensive information and image

resource, including many images taken by amateur observers. The address is: <http://newproducts.jpl.nasa.gov/comet/>
A mirror site is: <http://galileo.ivv.nasa.gov/comet>

Other images and information and links will be posted at the Today@NASA home page:
<http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/pao/NewsRoom/today.html>

Amateur astronomers who have images of Hale-Bopp in electronic file format are invited to post their pictures to a NASA web page at URL: <http://comet.hq.nasa.gov/>
Prior to posting, one must first register following the prompts on that page.

Comet researchers are available for interviews, both in person and via satellite, at NASA Headquarters as well as GSFC, WFF, JPL and STScI and other Centers. Contact the respective Public Affairs Offices for further information.

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Mars Life Theory Gets a Boost

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Mars Life Theory Gets a Boost

By PAUL RECER
.c The Associated Press

WASHINGTON (March 13) - A theory that microbes once lived on Mars is boosted by two new studies of a rock that was blasted away from the red planet and eventually landed on Earth.

Researchers at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and at the California Institute of Technology said the new studies do not prove that Martian microbes once lived in the rock. But they remove one challenge based on the temperature history of the potato-size chunk of Mars.

'We have ruled out the high temperature hypothesis' that would have made life impossible, said John W. Valley of the University of Wisconsin. 'I still don't have final answers. There should still be skepticism.'

Wisconsin scientists determined the range of temperatures the rock was exposed to by analyzing the ratios of carbon and oxygen isotopes. At Cal Tech, researchers traced the temperature history by measuring magnetic fields within the rock. Both studies will be published Friday in the journal Science.

NASA scientists last summer claimed that small globules of carbonate found inside a Martian meteorite were the fossilized remains of microbes or bacteria that lived on the red planet more than 15 million years ago.

Based on a microscopic and chemical analysis of the globules, the NASA team theorized that the microbes lived and died in the rock, leaving behind organic chemicals and fossilized remains. The rock was then blasted from the Mars surface by a meteorite impact, spent thousands of years wandering in space and then fell to Earth in the Antarctic. The rock was recovered from an ice field and identified by chemical composition as coming from Mars.

A major challenge to the theory has been that the carbonate globules actually formed by inorganic processes at temperatures of more than 1,200 degrees, far too hot for life.

But the new studies show that temperatures of the globules never exceeded 212 degrees - scalding, but still within the living range of known life forms.

'Our work shows that there are no show stopper lines of evidence in the temperature,' said Valley. There are other reasons to be skeptical, however, he said, 'and it will be difficult to convince the world one way or the other.'

'Our results don't prove there was life,' said Joseph L. Kirschvink, head of the Cal Tech team. But the finding proves that the possibility of life cannot be eliminated because of temperature, he said.

The Cal Tech team determined the temperature history of the rock by measuring the magnetic field direction of tiny parts of the samples. The magnetic field direction in a rock will change slightly each time it is heated and cooled.

'To make the measurement, we had to saw apart a specimen the size of a grain of sand,' said Altair T. Maine, a member of the Cal Tech team.

Kirschvink said his team found that after the rock cooled from a melt some 4 billion years ago, it was never again heated to a temperature lethal to all life.

The Cal Tech study also showed that early in the history of Mars, the planet had a magnetic field similar to that of Earth. Kirschvink said this means the planet probably had an atmosphere. A strong magnetic field allows a planet to retain an atmosphere.

Over billions years, however, Mars has lost its magnetic field and most of its atmosphere, he said.

Kirschvink said the magnetic studies also show that the sampled part of the Mars meteorite never heated up as it entered the Earth's atmosphere and smashed into the Antarctic. This suggests that microorganisms could survive a trip from Mars to Earth.

'An implication of our study is that you could get life from Mars to Earth periodically,' he said. 'In fact, every major impact could do it.'

Earlier studies had suggested a Mars origin of life and Kirschvink said his studies do not rule out this possibility.

Kurt Marti, an expert on the chemistry of the solar system at the University of California, San Diego, said the two new studies may lay to rest temperature challenges to the Mars life theory, but he said there are other objections.

'These all have to be addressed one by one,' he said. 'Until that is done, we have to be careful about accepting or rejecting this theory.'

Among the theory's other problems: the need for chemical evidence of life based on carbon isotope ratios, and better physical evidence that the carbonate globules are, in fact, fossils.

Valley said he hopes to start soon an analysis of the carbon isotopes.

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My! Last week was the first time since I started this about 9 months ago that I didn't really get one out. Just busy, very busy. This takes up quite a bit of my time, and sometimes I spread myself a bit thin (metaphorically, of course). I generally do quite a bit of prep for appearances, and my one from last week on EDGE OF REALITY was re-scheduled to this week (tentatively at 6:30 pm Pacific, although KSFO in San Francisco should run it tape-delayed at about 9:30 pm Pacific). I'm very excited about a lecture I'm giving on Tuesday before the California Society for Psychological Research on "The Fortean Perspective". I'm re-reading (Charles) Fort for that, and there's quite a bit to it. If you've never read him, I strongly recommend THE COMPLETE WORKS OF CHARLES FORT*. I'm also working on a bit for STRANGE Magazine, still owe FATE a sample piece, etc. Oh, and I have to address one other thing. I caused a bit of a tempest in an I-net when I said that Michael Lindemann was "reporting" that a Chupacabra carcass had been found. That was an over-statement. It was on his segment on THE END OF THE LINE, but it doesn't appear that the story originated with him. Just wanted to clear that up...On to it, before I fall asleep again :) ..

FICTIONAL NOTES:

This is where I briefly cover items which are fictional but which I feel are worth mentioning, either because of the impact they have had on the field or vice versa. I don't list weekly shows, just special items. If you want info on the weekly fictional shows, see the excellent CNI NEWS MEDIA WATCH at <http://www.cninews.com>. THE LEARNING CHANNEL'S Great Books Festival features WAR OF THE WORLDS on Saturday at 8:00 PM and 11:00 PM...should be interesting coverage. Two of Nickelodeon's cartoon series are running alien episodes on Saturday...if you think this stuff is "programming" kids, you'd better check them out: MUPPET BABIES at 10:00 AM and RUGRATS at 7:30 PM. FX - THE SERIES has a character murdered as he is about to crack the mystery of the secret UFO cover-up group...syndicated. The Disney Channel is again running two modern classics of fictional ufology: THE CAT FROM OUTER SPACE at 3:00 PM Friday, and CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND at 8:45 PM Friday. You know that there is a special re-release of CE3K coming out in the Fall, right? Great line from an analyst comparing the chances for big bucks with the success of the STAR WARS re-release..."I can't see kids running out to Burger King to get an action figure of Francois Truffaut." I would have: never made a secret of the fact that Jacques Vallee, on whom the Truffaut character was modeled, is a hero of mine. We don't always agree, but he is one of the best writers* on UFOs (or anything else) out there. Dan Aykroyd may be one of the most informed media people on these topics...Cinemax is running the movie version of CONEHEADS on Monday at 8:00 PM and Friday at 6:30 PM. I knew he was really into it when the Coneheads on SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE said, "Tell them we are from France." This is an allusion to the great Airship flap of 1896, in which some of the "ufonauts" did just that. Check out what Dan is doing now on THE PSI FACTOR (supposedly, there is a book available: if I get a copy, I'll review it for you...also, they are supposed to be doing radio spots, but I have no more info). Now, on to it, before I fall asleep again :) .

RADIO AND TELEVISION

SYNDICATED RADIO: END OF THE LINE seems to be having a lot of interesting guests, but they don't list info for the following week on the website (at <http://www.endoftheline.com>). However, Michael Lindemann does a UFO report on Wednesdays each week. You can listen to it on your computer, as well as on many radio stations: go to <http://www.talkamerica.com>.

SYNDICATED TV:

COULD IT BE A MIRACLE?:

--week of 3/10, kids saved from on-rushing car; "white lady" apparition brings help to car crash
 --week of 3/17, Abraham Lincoln's mid-wife (?); asthma victim gets strange help

PSI-FACTOR (see <http://www.psifactor.com> for stations and airdates and other info)

--week of 3/10 (109R) UFO DUPLICATION (inhabitants of town cloned by UFO); CLARA'S FRIEND (girl has apparitional friend)
 --week of 3/17, (110R) THE HUNTER (werewolf causes cattle mutilations?); THE HEALER (teenager can heal, but will it kill him?)

Saturday, March 15

SYNDICATED RADIO, THE EDGE OF REALITY, 5:00 PM -8:00 PM Pacific. Also available on Satcom C5, Transponder 23, SEDAT Channel 24. The specific spots have to be considered tentative, and the station in your area may run it tape-delayed. This week: 5:00 pm, NEAR DEATH STUDIES with Kimberly Clark Sharp of the Seattle International Association for Near-Death Studies (if you like her, she's on Art Bell again on Sunday); 5:30 THE MILLENIUM; 6:00 PM UFO ABDUCTION IMPLANTS with Dr. Roger Leir and Derrel Sims, ex-CIA/ex-Military Police/black belt/neurolinguistic programmer/certified hypno-therapist/abductee (got a better bio than Doc Savage, hm?)...Derrel always has a fascinating presentation; 6:30 PM, ***ME***; 7:00 PM, AFTER-DEATH COMMUNICATIONS with author Judy Guggenheim; 7:30 PM, BRAINSTYLES with Marlane Miller. Hosted by Ken Dashow, produced by Lee Spiegel.

LOCAL TELEVISION, KING COUNTY WASHINGTON, CHANNEL 29, 3:00 PM: JOURNEY: Second part of INANNA RETURNS, V.C. Ferguson's Sitchin-based fiction.

2:30 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS WORLD: Stonehenge

Sunday, March 16

SYNDICATED RADIO, 7:00 PM, ART BELL'S DREAMLAND: Art interviews author Kimberly Clark Sharp (see <http://www.artbell.com> for stations and program info)

11:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS (#5062): RETURN OF THE HEARTLAND GHOST; ECHO MISSILE INCIDENT (are UFOs messin' with our missiles?); CROP CIRCLE VIDEO CONSPIRACY; HEALING WITH MUSIC; QUATRAIN 72! (about Nostradamus, who predicted the death of Henry II, the tragedy of Hitler, and the rise of Fox as the fourth network...)

1:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL: GLORIA'S TOXIC DEATH (the "fumes of doom" case, where an emergency room patient allegedly emitted a dangerous gas)

4:00 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS RETURN OF THE HEARTLAND GHOST; ECHO MISSILE INCIDENT (are UFOs messin' with our missiles?); CROP CIRCLE VIDEO CONSPIRACY; HEALING WITH MUSIC; QUATRAIN 72! (about Nostradamus, who predicted the death of Henry II, the tragedy of Hitler, and the rise of Fox as the fourth network...)

6:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL: POPULAR SCIENCE (last week was bigfoot, this week, UFOs)

7:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: pyramids

11:00 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS RETURN OF THE HEARTLAND GHOST; ECHO MISSILE INCIDENT (are UFOs messin' with our missiles?); CROP CIRCLE VIDEO CONSPIRACY; HEALING WITH MUSIC; QUATRAIN 72! (about Nostradamus, who predicted the death of Henry II, the tragedy of Hitler, and the rise of Fox as the fourth network...)

Monday, March 17

SYNDICATED TV, MONDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: cloning (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area.)

LOCAL TELEVISION, SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON, 3:00 PM: JOURNEY: Robert Dean, supposed ex-military witness to UFO secrets

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC, AND MIRACLES (#46); no details available
9:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, SCI TREK: EARTH LIGHTS

Tuesday, March 18

SYNDICATED TV, TUESDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: sex change capital of the world (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

12:00 AM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, SCI TREK: EARTH LIGHTS
10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC AND MIRACLES (#47):
9:00 PM, THE DISCOVER CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: spontaneous human combustion

Wednesday, March 19

SYNDICATED TV, WEDNESDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: unusual valentines and VISIONS OF ENNIS (Cosby killing..we'll see if the psychic agrees with the LAPD) (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

12:00 AM, THE DISCOVER CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE, SPONTANEOUS HUMAN COMBUSTION
10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC, AND MIRACLES (#48): no details available
7:00 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS (5060): Nick Pope, the British government's alleged UFO man; haunted hotel, biofeedback, Hawaiian mysteries
11:01 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS (5060):(5060): Nick Pope, the British government's alleged UFO man; haunted hotel, biofeedback, Hawaiian mysteries

Thursday, March 20

SYNDICATED TV, THURSDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: pyramid secrets (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MAGIC, MYSTERIES AND MIRACLES (#49): no details available

Friday, March 21

LOCAL RADIO, 8:00 PM (Pacific Time) WGBB 1240 AM, New York: THE JOYCE KELLER SHOW: the host is a psychic who helps callers. Phone number is 516-955-1240

8:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, THE QUEST: BIGFOOT
11:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, THE QUEST: BIGFOOT

SYNDICATED TV, FRIDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC AND MIRACLES (#50): no details available

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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Discussions about Varginha Case

From: "A. J. Gevaerd" <gevaerd@alanet.com.br>
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 08:41:46 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:43:53 -0500
Subject: Discussions about Varginha Case

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Dear People from UFO UpDate - Toronto

I have read numerous messages in which people are discussing details of the Varginha Case, specially after the renowned author J. J. Benitez came to Brazil to do what he believed was a research. Interestingly, Drs. Willy Smith and Sanchez-Ocejo are some of the most inflamed defenders of Ben=EDtez.

First of all, I have to introduce myself. I am A. J. Gevaerd and the editor of the only one Brazilian UFO publication, running for about 12 years now. I have been travelling all over the country and over other 30 countries lecturing about Ufology and, for the last 14 months, about the Varginha Case specially. I am also a great friend of both Dr. Ubirajara Franco Rodrigues and Vitorio Pacaccini, as well as all the others UFO researchers mentioned. Finally, I also know Mr. Ben=EDtez, who I interview for 3 long hours just two months before his alleged discoveries. Dr. Ocejo maybe will remember we met when he came to Brazil 1983. And Dr. Smith may remember he signed, with Dr. Hynek himself, in the same year, a letter appointing me as CUFOS representative in this country.

Well, gentleman, by everything I read on Internet about Varginha Case, not more than 20% is accurate. If that much! I have been following each and every step of the research and can tell you so. Also, I am the only one going overseas to speak about it in UFO conferences --- now in over 12 countries since the case. Ubirajara and Pacaccini are some of the best, honest, accurate and responsible UFO researchers of this country. Ubirajara, for instance, is the most busy lawyer in his town and reputed to be one of the best in his state. He devoted thousands of hours to investigate extensively and deeply the Varginah Case. So did Pacaccini and a few other (Claudeir Covo, Marco Petit).

But what Ben=EDtez did was astounding and unbelievable. He came to Brazil= and decided to go to Varginha to try to know the facts by himself (2 months before I gave him all details about the case and the researchers). He DID NOT met any of the researchers. He DID NOT meet any of the 40 or so first-hand witnesses the researchers had gathered. He DID NOT met the girls who saw the alien. He DID NOT talk to anyone really informed about the case, but only with 2 persons from the city, that he calls researchers but who never knew the details of the case or even didn't have any good knowledge about Ufology.

In such a situation, Benitez spent a couple of hours and Varginha, goes to the wrong places, with the wrong people, at the wrong time, and claims to have found something that over 30 UFO researchers --- some of the best in Brazil --- couldn't find in 8 months of in-depth investigation in all that area!!! This is completely ridiculous, because what Benitez found were regular holes on the ground, made by someone intending to build a fence! It's been proved by the specialists that the researchers took to the places to examine Benitez's "evidences". Worst than that was the statement he gave to the Brazilian press. "I found even insects and stones calcified by the heat of the UFO that landed". First of all, no UFO landed, but one UFO crashed hundreds of meters from where he found the holes! He is completely wrong...

So what is the point here? It is that UFO researchers and enthusiasts from many countries have been speaking facts about the Varginha Case that they simply don't know. Benitez, yes, used the case to promote himself in

someway and I wonder why, since he put at considerable risk his reputation as a UFO researchr in this country. Some UFO researchers from overseas are also discussing things that they don't know. So I urge all you people to get better informed, because the Varginha Case is much, much bigger than the Roswell Case and needs serious discussion. I have published 3 editions of my UFO Magazine with extensive information about the case, the procedures, the findings, the witnesses, the researchers etc etc. They are all in Portuguese, I am sorry, but I will be delighted to send them FREE to anyone really interested in knowing that happened in Varginha. Just e-mail me and give the address and I will send the issues immediatly.

Thank you all

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Query re: Jim Doyle (TUFOP)

From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 16:58:45 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:41:11 -0500
Subject: Query re: Jim Doyle (TUFOP)

I was wondering if anyone on the list has an email address for Jim Doyle who runs TUFOP (The Ultimate UFO Page.) I'm trying to get in touch with him.

Thanks,
Jerry

E-mail: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>

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Alfred's Odd Ode #108

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 09:48:10 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:37:54 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #108

Apology to MW #108 (For March 14, 1997)=20

Our gub`mint prevaricates
In minds only crazy?
And conspiracy theories are dead?
No way UFO=92s are deftly hidden?
And we don=92t live some dishonor instead?

Environmental Activists
Inflate their own truth?
To promote a tree hugging agenda?
And Bill, and Trent don=92t dance in their world,
And play just one role =96 The Pretender?

Black box secret agencies
Don=92t shred the constitution ?
Then stray beneath the cover of their rocks?
But, point this out to the folks and they hate you,
'Cause you trifle with the rising of their stock?

People don=92t suffer
The pride of a mad man,
Who sits in shallow judgment -- controlling substance?
Your pain is intense but the =91man=92 has a sneer
Because PAIN=92s preferential to his acceptance.

And the messages of Colin and Norman,
The heros of our great Gulf war?
Where did all their message traffic go?
What were the facts of involvement in illness?
What will we now never know? =20

And what of the secrets
That are buried in black vaults?
The ones Stanton Friedman knows are there?
How about all that gun camera footage?
How about Roswell message traffic? Gone where?

I=92m alarmed at protestation
Of a skeptibunker elite.
The one=92s who paint a faux rosy glow;
The ones truly living in castles of air. . .
The ones who just _don=92t_ want to know.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at a fundamentalist's stake touched off by Naval *friendly* fire.

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Re: EL/TST

From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 19:33:30 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:42:56 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 12:02:41 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Devereux-Rutkowski: EL/TST Debate

On March 9, John wrote:

>Can they [earth lights] be picked up on airport radar? Wouldn't
>radar tapes from airports near seismically active areas be an
>excellent data source?

A very good question, and this point hasn't been lost on earth lights researchers. During the 1980s' Hessdalen wave of light phenomena, there were cases of visually observed lights yielding radar echoes. (However, sometimes, even when the same light was being witnessed, no radar echoes could be received from it for a time! It is this "on-off"/"here-gone-here" characteristic, also noticed in other ways with earth lights, that first led to the suspicion that we are dealing with a macro-quantal phenomenon.)

Also, I have spoken at length with air traffic controllers at the main airport in Mexico City, who are equipped with advanced radar equipment, who told me they received a radar echo from a spherical green light moving close to an airliner on approach, and which was being observed by the plane's pilots and ground staff. So it would seem, from what little chance we've had to check the matter, that earth lights can be picked up by radar - at least some of the time.

It would be nice indeed to use radar tapes - if one can get them! A couple of years ago, while studying the "Marfa lights" in the Big Bend country of Texas, we noted a radar blimp tethered at 15,000 feet not far from Marfa. We found that this was for monitoring illegal traffic across the Mexico-Texas border, and that the radar covered a very wide area and could distinguish targets down to a metre across at ground level. This would have been ideal for our purposes - it covered the Marfa area and beyond, and we could have checked tapes generally and specifically during periods where lights were being specially reported. Alas, a formal approach was ignored: what we wanted was essentially a record of screen litter material that would not have been of specific interest to the authorities. Not forthcoming, though.

Anyhow, radar is being included in the equipment arrays now being worked on for the automatic monitoring of the Hessdalen valley. When the valley is fully 'wired' (a huge job) we will have the chance to obtain the ultimate in instrumental data. Moreover, you, and anyone on this list and beyond, will have the opportunity to monitor Hessdalen on the Net in real time! (I can't wait for ETH-besotted ufologists to get their first glimpse of an earth light in the comfort of their own homes!) Don't say we aren't trying to bring the evidence to y'all.

>>With regard to 'energy' dowsing, I have for 15 or more years
>>been the chief critic of such claims in the UK - ...and I have
>>been hated, abused, and otherwise reviled by New Age circles
>>and dowsing groups because of my emphatic opposition to their
>>nonsense.

> Do you feel the same about 'water' dowsing?

Our research indicated that there was some evidence for successful

water/object dowsing in a small number of cases. As I mentioned to Chris Rutowski in private email, for example, in repeated tests, we had one old guy - 72-year-old - who had never heard of dowsing and who had never even held a dowsing rod, who could distinguish plain water targets from those containing sugar and salt in double blind tests with 100 percent accuracy.

Then Randi - would you believe? - further confirmed to me that there was *something* in it all. He ran a TV show in the UK. He had 5 dowzers, and for half an hour he ran them through some pretty sophisticated tests. Four of them failed every one. Useless. But one guy passed every one. He had 100 percent success with everything Randi could throw at him. This made life difficult for Randi who was, of course, out to prove that dowsing was false. So in his summing up, he only referred to the four who had bungled the tests. It was as if the successful man had never existed.

There has also been successful building foundation dowsing on archaeological digs in Britain, all confirmed by excavation, and some of the biggest names in UK archaeology have come out in support of its effectiveness -- but, again, only a few dowzers can actually achieve this level of success.

What I am agin are the bozos who claim to dowse 'leylines', 'energy lines', 'planetary grids' etc. That is total bunkum and I have spent years studying it to ensure I know what I am talking about.

BUT - I didn't come on this list to discuss dowsing, fascinating (or not) though it might be in its own right. It was a red herring introduced by Chris Rutowski, and there is no place for it here.

>Is it possible to guess at the type/kind of data this person >[at>the Edinburgh Seismic Unit] is referring to?

>From the nature of our conversation it would have been the production of light phenomena in relation to tectonic activity. There is in any case no doubt at all about this connection. As an absolutely remarkable example, our TV film on earth lights shown in the UK on November 3 (and here in N America on 17 and 22 March on Discovery Channel) was followed by 7 days of widely reported light phenomena over Cornwall and South Wales prior to an earthquake. As I have written elsewhere, I and other witnesses saw large golden orbs break out of cloud cover close to the epicentre location two years previously. It looked like a scene from some special effects movie!

>That leaves the better cases such as Westchester/Long Island, >Cash-Landrum, Bentwaters, Belgium, Gulf Breeze, etc.

Yes, but it isn't a long list, is it? Further, we have to ask ourselves what the true nature of those 'better' cases really is, and what exactly the EL approach has to answer in reality. The Westchester case was, as certainly as one can say, due to microlite funsters - a close reading of 'Night Siege' leaves very little other option. The ideas/impressions of large 'craft' came from people 'reading into' the movement of multiple lights (a common problem). Expectation has a powerful effect on visual perception. The sounds of engines etc, are all give-aways in my opinion. Gulf Breeze - that is still on the table in some quarters, then? (One despairs.) It isn't on mine. In the kindest analysis, the only things that could possibly be authentic in that situation are lights out over the sea. The Belgian triangle *was* something, a craft, but was it alien? I doubt it, frankly.

The Cash-Lundrum case was certainly an authentic event in my opinion, too, I quite agree, and I just do not know what it was the witnesses encountered. Landrum was sure it was a secret military device, remember, and that remains as likely an explanation as any. It *could* have been an alien craft, but, quite honestly, it could just as easily have been an earth light - such exotic plasmas as EL can certainly appear as "a diamond of fire" (precisely the appearance of a light seen during the 1905 Barmouth outbreak) and can also take on the appearance of "dull aluminium". Moreover, the physical effects the witnesses suffered are entirely in keeping with the sort of clinical reactions to energy fields surrounding a light phenomenon as assessed by - dare I mention his name on this list? - Persinger. They would also fit in with the new 'vorton' hypothesis being advanced by Fryberger at Stanford.

My reactions to the Bentwaters case are similar. Something bloody odd almost certainly happened there. The objects could have been alien craft. But, again, they could have been exotic phenomena.

We know (above) that EL can yield radar returns, so no problem there. At least one of the visuals was of a 'fuzzy light'. Their behaviour of the objects, following planes, could also have been an attractive reaction - if these things are magnetic/electric in their make-up. (I also have my personal suspicions about pseudo-intelligent interactivity on the parts of these phenomena, as have most investigators who have actually witnessed them, as I have. But this gets us into exotic areas against which the ETH pales, and I don't want to get into it here at this time - I have written about this matter elsewhere, in any case.) Nor are the speeds clocked up in this case anything out of bounds for EL - especially now we know vast light phenomena such as 'sprites' can reach a fifth the speed of light!

So, in short, we really do not know what EL has to explain. My guess is that we do not know our planet and its energy dynamics as well as we think we do, and it may be premature and even unnecessary to postulate extra-terrestrial explanations (and despite the hoo-ha, the ETH is no more than a postulation - it is so easy to forget that fact). But, of course, there is no reason why ET craft and EL cannot co-inhabit Earth's atmosphere. If ufology was *really* an 'ology', *all* ufologists would be supportive of EL research as it would at least help sort wheat from chaff, as well as tell us more about the planet we live on. But we know that, by and large, that's not what 'ufology' - especially in America - is about, don't we?

All best,
Paul

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New Data and Status of 'Past Life on Mars' Briefing

From: NASANews@hq.nasa.gov
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 12:06:26 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:39:33 -0500
Subject: New Data and Status of 'Past Life on Mars' Briefing

Don Savage
Headquarters, Washington, DC
(Phone: 202/358-1547) March 14, 1997

Linda Copley
Johnson Space Center, Houston TX
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NOTE TO EDITORS: N97-18

PRESS BRIEFING TO PRESENT NEW DATA AND STATUS OF
'PAST LIFE ON MARS' DEBATE SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 19

Seven months after NASA's initial announcement suggesting that a Martian meteorite shows life may have existed on ancient Mars, a panel of science experts will present new data and deliver a progress report on the continuing "Past Life on Mars" discussion at a press briefing scheduled for 1 p.m. EST, Wednesday, March 19, in the media briefing room at the Johnson Space Center (JSC), Houston, TX.

Douglas P. Blanchard, Ph.D., Chief of JSC's Earth Science and Solar System Exploration Division, will moderate a six-person panel of co-authors of each of the six abstracts on the Mars issue that are scheduled for presentation later that day during a special plenary session of the Lunar and Planetary Science Conference in the adjacent Teague auditorium at JSC.

The briefing will be carried live on NASA Television with two-way question and answer capability from participating NASA centers. As of March 15, NASA Television will be broadcast at a new satellite location. The new satellite is GE-2, Transponder 9C at 85 degrees West longitude, frequency 3880.0 MHz, audio 6.8 MHz.

The text of complete abstracts to be presented may be obtained in advance of the event by contacting the web site for the 28th Lunar and Planetary Science Conference at URL:

<http://cass.jsc.nasa.gov/LPSC97>

The conference will be held March 17-21, 1997 in Houston. Sessions will be held at JSC and the Lunar and Planetary Institute (LPI), 3600 Bay Area Boulevard, Houston, TX.

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Re: Townes/NASA query

From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 13:49:39 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:44:42 -0500
Subject: Re: Townes/NASA query

Sorry Errol I didn't mean to make extra work for you. I switched from Netscape Navigator to Communicator and I guess it defaults to outputting HTML text instead of ASCII text. Below is the corrected posting.

> From: FS337211@Sol.YorkU.CA [Nick Balaskas]
> Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 12:50:53 -0500 (EST)
> Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Townes/NASA query
> To: updates@globalserve.net

> Date: 10 Mar 97 10:31:29 EST
> From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UDate: Townes/NASA query

> As to the Hubble Telescope, a good friend of mine is part of the
> JPL team which designed the telescope.

> *** snip ***

>This twin to the Hubble did not look out into space but looked down
> towards the Earth instead. The military boys already had their
> own large space telescopes to play with long before the astronomers got
> their own.

> Nick Balaskas

If you are interested in descriptions of optical and other forms of surveillance/reconnaissance technology including the predecessor to the Hubble telescope, see the April 1997 issue of Popular Science. The cover story:

Next Generation Spysats, Inside the Newest KH -11

pages 43-48, will give you a feeling for the technology.

Those who have access to a defense contractor library and have been spelunking in hard to find and obscure technical journals for a few years might not find anything new here but it provides more information than is usually available in the daily newspapers and weekly news magazines.

Gary

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Re: James Oberg Saw UFO?

From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 06:21:27 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:46:18 -0500
Subject: Re: James Oberg Saw UFO?

> Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 17:52:08 GMT
> To: ufobfmuseum@value.net
> From: sts48@IX.NETCOM.COM (Donald Ratsch)
> (by way of Erik <Beckjord@transbay.net>)
> Subject: Fwd: James Oberg Sees UFO

> To insiders list, from D.R., with our comments:

> ----- Begin Forwarded Message

> Date: Tue, 11 Mar 1997 21:34:49 -0600 (CST)
> From: sts48@ix.netcom.com (Donald Ratsch)
> Subject: James Oberg Sees UFO

*** snip ***

> PS BTW, don't anybody ever expect Captn Jim or anyone at
> NASA to admit they really, really saw or believe
> in UFOS.
> If they do, they will be fired. Canned. Dumped.
> So don't push them.

If you are not aware of the posthumously published book by a NASA scientist then you owe it to yourself to read this book.

Unconventional Flying Objects - a scientific analysis

by Paul Hill, \$15.95, Hampton Roads Publishing (800) 766-8009
IBSB 1-57174-027-9

Quoting the backcover:

Paul Hill was a well-respected NASA scientist when, in the early 1950s, he had a UFO sighting. Soon after, he built the first flying platform and was able to duplicate the UFO's tilt-to-control maneuvers. Official policy, however, prevented him from proclaiming his findings. "I was destined," says Hill, "to remain as unidentified as the flying objects."

For the next twenty-five years, Hill acted as an unofficial clearing house at NASA, collecting and analyzing sightings' reports for physical properties, propulsion possibilities, dynamics, etc. To refute claims that UFOs defy the laws of physics, he'd had to make "technological sense...of the unconventional object."

After his retirement from NASA, Hill finally completed his remarkable analysis. In Unconventional Objects, published posthumously, he presents his findings that UFOs "obey, not defy, the laws of physics." Vindicating his own sighting and thousands of others, he proves that UFO technology is not only explainable, but attainable.

By the way Hills' sighting is one of the Blue Book unknowns and is also described in Ruppel's book - The Report on unidentified Flying Objects.

Re: James Oberg Saw UFO?

Hills analysis of his own sighting from an aeronautical dynamics point of view is quite interesting.

Gary

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UFOs Over Phoenix

From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 04:20:00 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:49:43 -0500
Subject: UFOs Over Phoenix

Greetings:

On Friday evening I saw some video footage of 4 UFOs that were photographed as they hovered motionlessly in the skies over Phoenix, Az., the other night. Does anybody out there have anymore information about this sighting?

Jerry Washington
(Kentucky/MUFON)

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Alfred's Odd Ode #109

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 08:05:01 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:51:17 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #109

Apology to MW #109 (For March 15, 1997)

UFO=92s, and their strange implications,
Don=92t leave a line or a trace.
For achieving resolve
We must first then involve
A search for our courage misplaced.

Enslaved by possessions, and money,
Our resolve is infirm, and gone funny!
We dance to the tune
Of our purses festooned
With the bones of our morals -- not funny.

Skeptical Vultures hover on Frager,
For telling *the truth and a half*.
And as wild as they seem,
Frager=92s *erstwhile* dreams
Are better than truth cut in half!

What say his attackers? "There _is_ no conspiracy!"
"Frager is vapid, and daft."
"He lives in a dream."
"His science is mean."
"He=92s bereft of the sense of our craft."

~

But he=92d look at the 2% that hides
In skepti-bunker diatribe!
Evidence ignored, that Brian points out,
Is a light in the darkness -- a warm welcome shout!
=20
He=92d take a chance with Twitcher=92s whitebread.
He=92d laugh at Imrie=92s "Dagwood Bumstead."
He=92d nuke, from orbit, Rogers street.
He=92s not ashamed to slap some meat <g>.

~

Frager=92s perhaps a libidinous ladle;
He=92s quick to stir the soups!
He stirs up the bottom,
And is surfaced a flotsom
That is not well explained by the skepti-troops.

He may even be an embarrassment!
A liar like some say!
But Frager=92s truth and a half
Compared to "half truth=92s" sad craft
Is the best, by far, and away.

So, you boys, slap at a kid on our playground.
Piss in his drink, and pull his hair.
But then please deliver
Some take on your *shiver* . . .
Or, that fear that _you_ harbor =96 un-dared!

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

Be pleased Dr. Frager, a fanclub, is a fanclub, is a fanclub, and by any

other name it smells as sweet <g>. You can always hope for one that is smarter, and braver, or one that has more imagination. Besides, whoever is taking the most heat is perhaps standing closest to the fire.

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning for the fundamentalist's fanclub.

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From: **ParaScope@AOL.COM**
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 22:34:01 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:47:56 -0500
Subject: DISPATCH #43 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

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3/14/97

SPECIAL NOTE: ParaScope on CNN Sat. March 15 at 4 a.m. ET/1 a.m. PT. See below for details!

Quote of the Week

"The notion that technology is just some sort of snake that's slithering along, and it should go wherever it likes, wherever the brain trust is going to let that go, without a realization that there's public policy issues here -- public safety issues here -- is I think a very naive approach

-- FBI Assistant Director James Kallstrom speaking about the Clipper chip, his fear of the Internet at an Association of the Bar of the City of New York function in January 1995. Ironically, Kallstrom recently has been particularly vocal in attempting to discredit "Interment conspiracy theories" about the reasons behind the explosion of TWA Flight 8000.

Rant of the Week: Show & Tell

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. If you've spotted a great rant, send it to us. And now, this week's rant, a short-and-sweet one from "Nelson":

"My cat gave birth to a two-headed kitten. I have it in a jar. Wanna see?"

Yes, Nelson, we'd love to see it. But just a photo, please!

[Reprinted with spelling and grammar goofs unchanged. Names withheld to protect the ranters.]

ParaScope Caught In the Crossfire!

Our lives here at ParaScope Headquarters have been a little stressed and strange in the months since we started publishing, but today's events have set a new record for just downright hard to believe. A CNN producer called and asked if ParaScope Publisher Ruffin Prevost wanted to discuss Internet conspiracy theories on Crossfire. "Sure," he said, know full well the circus he was about to join in agreeing to appear on the show. "You've got 30 minutes till we go on the air," came the answer. So, our apologies for the late notice. By now, you've missed the show, but you can videotape a replay tonight (Saturday morning) at 4 a.m. ET/1 a.m. PT. Also, a transcript of the show should be posted Monday or Tuesday at the CNN Crossfire web site: <http://cnn.com/TRANSCRIPTS/cf.html>

If you think it's weird to watch someone from ParaScope chat about the New World Order with the likes of Pat Buchanan, imagine what it was like to be there! Look for Ruffin's detailed deconstruction of the event next week, with details in the next Dispatch.

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Media Moguls

ParaScope will soon be developing a new area devoted to news, reviews and opinions surrounding all the books, magazines, movies, games and other pop culture fixtures that address conspiracies, UFOs and the paranormal. We'd like this area to reflect our readers' views as much as our own, so we're looking for intelligent, informed, opinionated writers to help us cover this burgeoning field. If you have a favorite paranormal TV show, conspiracy zine, classic UFO video or other ParaScope-related pop-culture element you'd like to tell the world about, now's your chance!

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Jane, Stop This Crazy Thing!

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Re: Movie - 'Official Denial'

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 97 09:25:47 cst
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:52:53 -0500
Subject: Re: Movie - 'Official Denial'

>Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 15:38:24 -0500
>From: Steven Kaeser <skaeser@konsulting.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Movie - 'Official Denial'

>>From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com
>>Date: Thu, 13 Mar 97 09:54:56 cst
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Movie - 'Official Denial'

>> Santilli's Curious Alien Manniken (SCAM) looks more like
>> the purported alien critter in the silver suit with the big
>> zipper that usually graces the "UFOs Are Real!" ad.
>> I understand that this was from some Canadian
>> side-show exhibit.

>> Anybody else see this resemblance?

>The "alien critter" you refer to was designed to look like a "Gray",
>which has become a meme in our society. I would note that Santilli's
>"alien" was rejected (in part) because it failed to match the accepted
>image of a "Gray".

>As it stands now, the "meme" of the common Gray is so prevalent that we
>are seeing numerous products being sold that are based on it. A local
>nature product chain known as "Natural Wonders" now has an entire
>section related to the common alien image, which I find to be somewhat
>amusing. The Johnson Smith Co. in Florida has about 30 different
>products related to the "meme" that it sells through its catalog of
>unusual offerings. None resemble the Santilli "Alien" very closely,
>but they all closely follow the accepted image of the alien "Gray".
>Then again, that's the image that seems to sell the best. . . .<g>

I agree that the archetypical "Gray" (using the "Communion" cover
as a standard reference) has saturated cultural consciousness.

However, the Canadian dummy, much like Santilli's, really doesn't
conform to this image. Large eyes, yes, but not the upwardly
slanted almond-shaped orbs featured on the "Communion" cover.

Also, the Canadian and Santilli dummies seem to have much more of
a "twinkie" problem than the archetypical Gray.

Regards,

Vince

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Bauval & Hancock 'Hieroglyph' Newsletter

From: **Graham William Birdsall** <106151.1150@compuserve.com>

Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 13:58:17 -0500

Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:55:05 -0500

Subject: Bauval & Hancock 'Hieroglyph' Newsletter

Dear Colleagues,

Time permits me to submit the following text, derived from "The Bauval & Hancock Newsletter" entitled "Hieroglyph". Trust you find it of interest.

- start -

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the first 'Keeper of Genesis' newsletter, dedicated to the work and theories of Graham Hancock & Robert Bauval.

The purpose of this newsletter is to provide all those people who were intrigued, interested and shocked by the situation at Giza revealed by Graham Hancock & Robert Bauval in their best-selling book 'Keeper of Genesis' with up-to-date information on the developments that have happened since its publication in May 1996. Although, officially at least, there are no new discoveries to report, there have been numerous developments in the situation itself. A week, as they say, is a long time in politics, and the ins and outs of the past few months vis-a-vis the situation at Giza would fill an entire book, not just a newsletter, so here we shall present just a summary of the main points.

Already public pressure has seemingly led to the cancellation of the Schor Foundation-funded project at the Sphinx (see Recent Events section). Graham & Robert would like to thank you for your continuing support on this issue.

This newsletter, as well as giving information on books in the pipeline by Graham & Robert, will provide details of up-and-coming events and conferences in which Graham & Robert are taking part. Please do make every effort to come to these events. Graham & Robert would love to see you there, so come and hear the latest news from the horses' mouth, so to speak.

I do hope you find this newsletter informative and interesting. The public has a right to know what is happening as regards the great monuments at Giza, for they are a legacy, not just to a few individuals who can buy access and exclusivity to the sites, but to the whole of the human race.

RECENT EVENTS

The 'Door' in the Great Pyramid

Concerning the door at the southern shaft of the Queen's chamber in the Great Pyramid, since the book was published a number of developments have taken place, but the situation still lies unresolved.

Up till the end of 1995 the Egyptian Antiquity Organisation's official position was of disinterest. They had refused Gantenbrink's offer to train an Egyptian technician to use his Upuaut Robot which he would donate to the Egyptian government. The official line was that they were too busy. The Director General of the Giza Plateau said, 'I do not think this is a door and nothing is behind it.' But in March 1996 the "Egyptian Gazette" reported him as saying that it was of huge interest, and said that it would be opened in September by a multinational team led by Egyptian geologist (and NASA contact) Dr. Farouk El Baz.

Another robot was commissioned, and was to be built by Canadian Amtex and Spar Aerospace (who built the robotic arm for the Space Shuttle), headed by a Dutch-Canadian businessman named Peter Zuuring, who suggested that a date

of early 1997 was more feasible, as \$10 million had to be raised for the project, and it was to be promoted via a live opening on TV. He said, 'I'm working with a private guy who is a personal friend of Hawass, and we are absolutely going to drum this thing to death. Whatever the event we are going to stage, it will be televised live.'

THE TUNNELS UNDER THE SPHINX

Following the eviction from Giza by Dr. Zahi Hawass of John Anthony West and his colleagues (including geologist Robert Schoch, and the seismologist Thomas Dobecki, who identified a large rectangular chamber concealed in the bedrock 20 feet below the front paws of the Sphinx), and the subsequent re-application by Mr West in co-operation with the prestigious Princeton Engineering Anomalies Research Laboratory, (which was turned down), a one-year license was granted at the end of March 1996 to a new team that claimed academic sponsorship from Florida State University (and reportedly involved the participation of four geologists from that University).

The team was largely financed by Dr. Joseph Schor, an American multi-millionaire and life-member of the Association for Research and Enlightenment (ARE). This association, based in Virginia Beach in the US, is a multi-million-dollar organisation that exists to promulgate the teachings of the American psychic Edgar Cayce. Prominent among Cayce's pronouncements were many statements to the effect that the Sphinx had been built in 10,500 BC by the survivors of Atlantis who had concealed beneath it a "Hall of Records" containing all the wisdom of their lost civilisation and the true history of the human race. Cayce prophesied that the "Hall of Records" would be rediscovered and opened between 1996 and 1998. He connected the opening with the second coming of Christ and asserted that the contents of the Hall would not be shared with the general public until many years after it had first been entered by "three who would make of the perfect way of life."

Cayce's prophecies had been mentioned in the NBC television film by Boris Said called "The Mystery of the Sphinx" about the work of John Anthony West, which had incensed Dr. Hawass whose official line was that he was opposed to the notion of the Sphinx being far older than the ancient Egyptian civilisation that historians claim built it. How ironic then, that Hawass should appear in a promotional video, "Secret Chamber" also made by Boris Said in Nov/Dec 1995, and financed by Joseph Schor (to the tune of \$100,000). In the video Dr. Hawass talks of opening the tunnels under the Sphinx and mentions the Cayce prophecy. That he should also grant a license to a team financed by Dr. Schor makes the irony all the greater. Dr. Hawass also stated his wish 'to further delineate that civilisation'.

On 11 April 1996, when Hancock & Bauval informed Joseph Schor that they intended to write about these matters in the London "Daily Mail", he threatened them with a libel action and stated, 'We do not work for the Edgar Cayce group... The major purpose of the Schor Foundation and the Florida State University is to aid in the preservation and restoration of the Pyramids and Sphinx. In addition we are surveying the underground of the Giza Plateau to find faults and chasms that might collapse. This will increase the safety of the Plateau because chasms and faults can be collapsed or roped off for the protection of tourists and Plateau personnel.'

On 14 April 1996, in the "Egyptian Gazette", Dr. Zahi Hawass gave a rather different account, mentioning hidden tunnels around the Pyramids and the Sphinx. He made no mention of public safety but hinted that excavation of the tunnels would reveal many clues regarding the establishment of the Giza pyramids.

In July 1966, after worldwide protest over the activities of the Schor Foundation and Florida State University at the Sphinx, Dr. Hawass claimed on South Africa radio that he had halted the project: 'I found that their work is not following the correct steps... I wrote a letter to them saying that they cannot do work again because they are not really following the correct work.'

The same month, however, rumours began to circulate that the team had identified nine further tunnels or chambers under the Giza Plateau. In all of them, apparently, their remote-sensing equipment had identified objects made of metal.

In early Autumn a conference took place in Delaware (US) in which both Graham & Robert took part. During their stay they both appeared on the Art Bell radio show in a four-hour live debate with Richard Hoagland, the author of several books on the Martian anomalies (see section on Mars later), who also attended conferences with Graham & Robert in London and Leeds earlier in the year. In the radio interview Hoagland claimed that he met Schor for a five-hour talk AFTER Hawass's cancellation of the license.

Schor assured him that the explorations under the Sphinx were still going ahead. This was confirmed in a fax received by Hoagland in September from Boris Said, inviting him to be present at the opening of chambers beneath the Sphinx in the last week of October/first week of November 1996. For this radio debate Dr. Schor gave Hoagland carte blanche to talk of Schor's interest in the Cayce prophecies, even though this went against his earlier threats to sue Hancock & Bauval for saying exactly the same thing.

On this same show, both Graham & Robert appealed for an independent international investigation to sort out the controversies surrounding the work done on the Sphinx. They suggested UNESCO could undertake this, as it had previously declared the Sphinx and the Pyramids a world heritage site.

Between 22 and 26 November 1996, Robert Bauval & John Anthony West hosted a conference at Giza in the Mena House Hotel organised by "Amateur Astronomy and Earth Sciences Magazine" (AA & ES).

During this conference numerous attempts were made to see the new head of the Supreme Council at Giza, Dr. Ali Hassan. Finally on 3 December, John Anthony West managed to meet Dr. Hassan, and documents and videos concerning the controversy at Giza were handed to the latter. Dr. Hassan was totally unfamiliar and unaware of the involvement of the Edgar Cayce Foundation and its members at Giza since the late 1970s, and he said that no license to undertake digging under the Sphinx, or of opening the door in the Pyramid would be implemented before he verified the situation left to him by his predecessor, Dr. Nur-El Din.

Both Robert Bauval & John Anthony West plan to meet with Dr. Hassan again to further discuss this matter.

LIFE ON MARS?, A FORTHCOMING BOOK AND THE MANCHESTER MARS CONFERENCE

Following the announcement of possible signs of life found in a Martian meteorite last summer, Bauval & Hancock wrote a series of exclusive articles for the "Daily Mail" newspaper in London.

In their research they had stumbled across a tangled web of clues, connections and overlapping interests to suggest that American scientists with links to NASA may have quietly involved themselves, since at least the 1970s in covert 'expeditions' to unveil the secrets of the Great Pyramids and the Great Sphinx of Giza. The story, oddly enough, appears to be running in parallel with research stemming from the existence of curious pyramidal structures (and a gigantic Sphinx-like 'face') that were photographed on Mars by spacecraft during the 1970s. They are intrigued by the apparent correspondence between what has been found on Mars and the sites at Giza, and at the connections between the personnel in the Sphinx project and those involved in the Mars project.

NASA's official view is that these structures on Mars are merely 'tricks of light', but in 1975 one Dr. James Hurtak, a graduate in remote-sensing technology (and an acquaintance of Mark Lehner's), one of the earliest researchers to show interest in these 'pyramids', predicted that further finds of similar structures, including a Sphinx-like monument, would be made on Mars, and that these structures would be linked to the Giza monuments in a great cosmic blueprint.

In 1976 NASA's second Mars probe, 'Viking 1', entered orbit around the red planet and took photographs of its surface, which later showed the 'face' and a five-sided structure now called the 'D&M Pyramid' in the region known as 'Cydonia'.

It was recently reported to Graham & Robert that team members of the Schor-funded Florida State University project at the Sphinx granted by the Egyptian Antiquities Organisation last March, had consulted with Dr. James Hurtak and Richard Hoagland, former NASA consultant and founder of the Independent Mars Project.

Moreover, Dr. Farouk El Baz, chosen to lead a team to open the secret door in the southern shaft of the Queen's chamber of the Great Pyramid, is a NASA consultant, was the man who chose the landing spot for the Apollo 11 Moon landing, and has been involved for many years with studies of geological formations on the Moon and Mars.

On 7 December 1996 at the Manchester Conference Centre, Robert Bauval took part in a conference on "The Mars Enigma". Other speakers included Ananda Sirisena, who has found a possible second 'face' in the Cydonia region of Mars, and who spoke on the geometrical arrangements of the 'mounds', and Mark J. Carlotto, who also appeared with Graham & Robert at a Zurich conference last February.

Mark has contributed much to the Mars debate, with his expertise on

computer image-enhancement and 3D computer modelling, which have refined the 'Viking' photographs so that they can be accurately depicted and measured. He is very much interested in possible astronomical alignments of features on Mars, that correlate to Graham & Robert's archaeo-astronomical discoveries at Giza.=20

FORTHCOMING EVENT

Robert Bauval & Graham Hancock will be talking on "Keeper of Genesis" and related subjects at the College of Psychic Studies, London, on 25 March. The cost is =A36 made payable to the College of Psychic Studies, contact Becca Maravolo on 0171 589 3292 or Fax 0171 589 2824.

ARTICLES

Keep watch in "UFO Magazine" and "AA & ES Magazine" for articles by John Anthony West and Robert Bauval (Jan/Feb '97 of the former has a special interview with Robert Bauval).

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Graham Hancock & Robert Bauval spoke at "The Terrestrial Connection" conference at Solihull International Conference Centre on 23 February, sponsored by UFO Magazine and attended by a capacity audience of 800. Together with Ananda Sirisena, Chris O'Kane, Duncan Lunan and Dr. Mark Carlotto, the entire proceedings were recorded by a professional Betacam film crew (four cameras). Tapes of each speaker will be made available shortly and advertised in our May/June '97 issue of UFO Magazine, available on newsstands from 24 April.

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Best regards,

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Mass sighting in Phoenix

From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 11:56:43 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:46:55 -0500
Subject: Mass sighting in Phoenix

This report on the Phoenix mass sightings was forwarded to me by Fran Ridge of the UFO Filter Center and Project Lunascan.

Jerry Washington
SD Kentucky/MUFON

Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:26:48 -0600 (CST)
To: skyeking@aye.net
From: slk@world.evansville.net (Francis Ridge)
Subject: Re: Mass sighting in Phoenix

UFO FILTER CENTER MESSAGE

This report, compliments Greg Long -- greglong@proaxis.com:

This report just in from Tom King. Orange globes or large balls of light have been videotaped and reported across Arizona since last monday. At least 3 videos were taken last night between 8:00 to 10:00 pm and one shown on tv showing 6 in lined up in a row. Reports have been fielded by one airline pilot but did not show up on radar. News report 1000s of witnesses. It is already being called the most documented mass sighting the last 10 years. Hovering very slow and 5 moving in a line Tom King of Phoenix also captured footage[estimate on size of 30 feet minimum, flickering orange lights and moving in formation, low altitude-1000 feet and 2 to 4 miles distance, no visible structure] At least 1 news station, Tom and numerous other people are doing a stakeout 4 miles south of Phoenix. The objects were reported last night in Phoenix, Tuscon, and Prescott and other locations. Objects were also witnessed by Bill Hamilton. Extensive media and press coverage is ongoing. Steven Greer is also in Phoenix. This follows a trend of a tremendous escalation of orange globes worldwide. I'm working on a followup of the Salida sighting last Sat.

Tim

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Re: EL/TST

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:14:03 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:50:40 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 19:33:30 -0500 (EST)
>To: UPDATES@globalserve.net
>Subject: Earth Lights/TST Debate

>>Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 12:02:41 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Devereux-Rutkowski: EL/TST Debate

>On March 9, John wrote:

>>Can they [earth lights] be picked up on airport radar?

(snip)

> Also,I have spoken at length with air traffic controllers >at the main
>airport in Mexico City, who are equipped with >advanced radar
>equipment,who told me they received a radar >echo from a spherical green
>light moving close to an >airliner on approach, and which was being
>observed by the >plane's pilots and ground staff. So it would seem,from
>what >little chance we've had to check the matter, that earth >lights can
>be picked up by radar - at least some of the >time.

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Hello all,

Just two cents worth and then I'm gone, promise!

Both of you gentlemen would be well served to purchase and view a copy of
Brit and Lee Elders documentary, "Voyagers of the Sixth Sun"

In it the Elders conducted lengthy interviews with Mexico
City Airport tower personnel. One of the more interesting accounts involves
a near miss between a commercial airliner and a UFO. Unless "earth lights"
ping when you hit them, you'll also have to add 'metallic content' to their
physical properties! they also have some excellent video footage (daylight
in clear skies) of these shiny silver metallic
"earth lights" following aircraft as they take off and land,
hovering and doing some pretty amazing manouvers for "natural phenomena"!

Another interesting feature of these Mexican "earth lights" that were
reported by the tower personel is how they move to avoid collision with
incoming and outgoing aircraft. Gee, could these "earth lights" possibly be
under intelligent control?

The pilots and tower personel in Mexico City do not relate to these objects
as "earth lights" but as solid, intelligently controlled craft that are
beginning to pose a very real threat to the safty of the many commercial
aircraft that they are responsible for. They have had meetings amongst
themselves about the UFO's and the serious problems that they present and
have contacted their own government in an attempt to get help. They fear an
air disaster that could cause the loss of life.

These are some really rad "earth lights" wouldn't you say?
In the case that I mentioned above, all of the personel and passengers
heard and felt the 'thump' when the two "aircraft" collided!

Grasshopper, what is the sound of "earth lights" bumping? <G>

John Velez

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Re: EL/TST

From: **Greg Sandow** <"Greg Sandow"@prodigy.net>
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:04:28 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:48:38 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

I respect Paul Devereux's earthlight research, as well as his skepticism -- or is it just caution? -- about an alien explanation for UFOs.

However, in one case he cites, I'm sure he goes too far.

He writes, about some of the Hudson Valley sightings:

> From: DevereuxP@aol.com
> Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 19:33:30 -0500 (EST)
> To: UPDATES@globalserve.net
> Subject: Earth Lights/TST Debate
>

> The Westchester case was, as certainly as one can say, due to
> microlite funsters - a close reading of 'Night Siege' leaves very
> little other option. The ideas/impressions of large 'craft' came
> from people 'reading into' the movement of multiple lights (a
> common problem). Expectation has a powerful effect on visual perception.
> The sounds of engines etc, are all give-aways in my opinion.

I haven't read Night Siege in a while, so I won't comment on what a close reading might show.

But I've spoken extensively with two people who encountered a huge craft -- they described it as the approximate size of the convention center in New York city -- passing directly over their car near Middletown, NY in August, 1984. They felt it was no more than ten feet or so above them, though of course there's no way they could check that. They thought they could hit it with a stone if they'd thrown one. They said it was approximately triangular, with lights at its three rounded points (and no other lights anywhere).

It was close enough for them to see detail on it, a tracery of what looked like pipes. It blotted out the night sky, and was absolutely silent, "unless," as one of them laughingly told me, "the engine made a noise like crickets." They couldn't have been influenced by their expectation, because they don't live in the Hudson Valley, knew nothing about UFOs, and hadn't heard that there was a UFO flap in the area. They were taken completely by surprise.

Forget what I said in paragraph one...I just browsed through Night Siege. Devereux has a point. A lot of the sighting reports there describe lights, often accompanied by a humming sound. In most of the reports, nobody saw anything solid, but the accounts always describe an "object," as if the presence of such a thing had been verified. That's like Donald Keyhoe getting too excited, and telling us about a pilot who saw a "light," which in the next sentence becomes an "object" and in the next a "saucer."

Still, the case isn't at all clear. The lights observed in the Hudson Valley -- at least according to the book -- were seen in heavy winds, maintained their relative position far more strictly than you'd expect planes to do, were seen when the ultralights were not in the air, and were not seen at times when the ultralights were known to be around. Over the Indian Point power plant at least one witness said he clearly observed a solid body. I know that people do get influenced by their expectations, and can well imagine details that aren't there. (See Allen Hendry's UFO Handbook for the best proof of that.)

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And then there's the sighting I heard about. After browsing the book, I'd say that a close reading reveals some careless writing, but no clear smoking gun.

Greg Sandow

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Re: UFOs Over Phoenix

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:20:07 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:52:34 -0500
Subject: Re: UFOs Over Phoenix

>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 04:20:00 -0500
>From: Jerry Washington <skyeking@aye.net>
>Organization: Kentucky/MUFON
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: UFOs Over Phoenix

>Greetings:

> On Friday evening I saw some video footage of 4 UFOs that were
>photographed as they hovered motionlessly in the skies over Phoenix,
>Az., the other night. Does anybody out there have anymore information
>about this sighting?

>
> Jerry Washington
> (Kentucky/MUFON)

Jerry,

You may want to contact Tom King. He's from that area and he and several others have been videotaping unknowns there for several years!

xalium@netwrx.net

tom is working on a compilation video of all the footage that they have taken. Good luck.

John Velez

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Robert Bigelow

From: **armen victorian** <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 13:47:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 15:53:28 -0500
Subject: Robert Bigelow

Several stories have been written about Robert Bigelow and his interest and engagement in learning more about the nature of UFOs - acquiring and acquisitioning the best military and ex-military/intelligence community members [he can] in pursuit of his interests. Including the latest, a ranch, where the former rancher took good advantage of Bigelow's gullibility - and Bigelow's hired men also saw a golden opportunity to utilise a desperate, wealthy man's personal quest to further their limited knowledge on the subject.

Despite the gang's fame and notoriety in conspiratorial spheres of this muddy field, NONE are privy to pertinent information - contrary to public-field's perception.

Bigelow's thirst dates back to the time when he lost his son, and ever since he has been trying his best through any media to contact his dead sun - hence, John Alexander's expertise in this area, is like a call in the wild for Bigelow.

I wish Bigelow and his well trained, and well placed individuals every success in this venture.

What would you do if you catch the whirlwind?

Armen Victorian

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Re: EL/TST

From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 13:36:59 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 15:55:24 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

UFO UpDates - Toronto writes:
> Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:14:03 -0500
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

Finally, a way to indicate my position on this subject ...

When Powell challenged Devereux's strong pro-EL/TST view by offering some classic cases suggested to support the ETH, Devereux pointed out flaws in the cases and offered other explanations.

Then, Velez countered the EL/TST view by citing more pro-ETH cases suggestive of physical craft.

It's been said that I am so critical of the TST and earth lights theory because I have a hidden pro-ETH agenda. As anyone who has actually read my work knows, this is hardly the case.

My view is that **neither** the TST/EL theory or the ETH are fully supported by the available evidence at this time. Both have problems in their formulation, investigation, evidence and proof. I cannot endorse **either** theory at this time, but encourage rational, serious discussion on the subject in order to resolve the issue. As a scientist, I must be objective, assessing all the data and not reaching conclusions before their time. Both avenues are interesting and **may** yield results and insight into what constitutes the UFO phenomenon. It **is** possible that **both** theories are possible in that they might explain some cases. The UFO phenomenon is multifaceted and it is very likely that there is no single explanation for all sightings.

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1954 Message From 'Our Space Brothers Via

From: density4@no-spam.cts.com (Blue Resonant Human)
Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 03:47:02 GMT
Fwd Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:45:34 -0500
Subject: 1954 Message From 'Our Space Brothers Via

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR SPACE BROTHERS
Via Short Wave Radio

Lecture given by: Dr. George Hunt Williamson
Monday, June 21, 1954, Detroit, Michigan

It is a great privilege and pleasure to be here in Detroit to speak to you on the subject of "flying saucers." The term "flying saucers" until very recently in the world has been more laugh provoking than it has been thought provoking. But now people all over the world are beginning to realize that this phenomenon known as the "flying saucers" may have a great bearing on the lives of each and everyone of us in the not too distant future!

Tonight I will tell you of our own experiences with flying saucers. I also know of a number of men who have had various similar experiences. I was with George Adamski in November of 1952 when he had the memorable contact in the desert with the flying saucer. Both my wife and I were witnesses to that event. The event as it is described in the book entitled Flying Saucers Have Landed by Desmond Leslie and George Adamski is accurate and true. However, our work in flying saucers started long before our contact with Mr. Adamski. It was through our own work that we heard of him and eventually met him. We wondered what to do with the information we had collected and decided to go to see George Adamski who was only 400 miles away from us.

In the book Flying Saucers Have Landed, Mr. Adamski has several good pictures of saucers. The great astronomical observatories of the world also have pictures of saucers. I have a friend who went to school with one of the astronomers who is now working at the "Big Eye" (telescope) at Mount Palomar. Many times the students of various universities are allowed to spend time at the Big Observatory to work on certain projects. This friend of mine was at Mount Palomar and asked his former classmate, the astronomer, how it was that an amateur photographer like George Adamski could get pictures of saucers and Mount Palomar could not, and if Adamski's pictures were fake. The astronomer replied that Mr. Adamski's pictures were NOT fake and if he thought Adamski's pictures were good, he should see the ones they have at Mount Palomar.

The government has the story. They also have made radio contact with saucers. Whether they will ever give out this information or not we do not know. They may wait until we all know about it and then confirm it. There is a project known as MQ707 at Edwards Air Force Base which is a project for telecommunication with saucers. They contact these craft and attempt to get them to land.

In August 1952 we had our own contacts with space people via short wave or radio telegraphy. I had been in Minnesota a year or more previously where I was working among the Chippewa Indians gathering little known legends and facts about them that

had not been accumulated or written down before. I knew nothing more about saucers than most people. There had been a few things in the newspapers and I had, of course, heard of flying saucers.

On the way to Minnesota I picked up a copy of Major Kehoe's first book Flying Saucers Are Real. When I arrived in Minnesota, it was raining and continued to rain for several days. I could not get out of my cabin so I read the book. Once I started it I could not put it down until I finished it. After I finished reading it I was thoroughly convinced myself that these things could at least be interplanetary. Here was a man, a former Marine Major, who had gone into the subject in an objective way and had analyzed all the facts and had come to the conclusion that they could not be anything else but something from outer space. In fact, I believe he mentioned in the book that it was hard for him to accept this and that it was fantastic, but that no other conclusion seemed to fit the evidence.

As I read this book, all the Indian legends I had been collecting seemed to fall into place, and I began to see that a number of the stories I had collected sounded like flying saucers. I checked with my wife who was doing work among the Mexican Indians and found she had been finding the same thing. On further investigation, we found that all American Indian tribes had practically the same legends. There were slight variations but they almost all had the same basic facts.

For a long time anthropologists had discarded Indian legends and the stories of so-called primitive people throughout the world because they said they were merely the stories of superstitious people and had no basis or fact. No longer are they doing this for they realize that there must be something to start a story and although these legends or stories were not written down as they did not have a written language, they were passed from generation to generation.

One of the Chippewa's legends is the account of the "Gin Guin" or the "Earth-rumblers," or the "Wheels-that-rumble-the-earth." The story in essence is this: At various times a rotating wheel or whirling wheel, sometimes surrounded by a cloud, would descend and lightning would sometimes be seen to shoot from it. Then out of it would step a young fair-haired man whom they called "Bococitti," the fair-haired god who comes from the skies. Stories like these are found throughout the United States and in fact almost all primitive people throughout the world seem to have the same kind of legends.

After I left Minnesota, I joined my wife in Prescott, Arizona, where my family lives. A friend of mine, Alfred C. Bailey, came to visit me and asked to see what I had been accumulating on my recent trip. I did not mention saucers, but let him read some of the legends. When he finished reading the material I had collected, he said: "This sounds like flying saucers. I thought your trip was to collect legends of the Indians?"

We discussed the flying saucer phenomena and thought perhaps they might be weather conditions, for we would not be the first to observe weather conditions. The Indians would have seen the same things and perhaps made legends about them. We also talked about the possibility of man traveling to other planets by rockets. One of us suggested something with a lot of "ifs" in it. If in the future we of earth planned to go to another planet, and if we found it inhabited and if they had radio or some similar type of communication, why could we not monitor their radio and attempt to learn their language and find out about the culture of the inhabitants before we landed? We decided that perhaps if the other planets were inhabited and space people were visiting us that they might now be doing this very thing. Perhaps they might even be interested in contacting certain people on earth, people who were not afraid.

We were just discussing these possibilities and were really not too serious about it. We reasoned this way. If these people from outer space have been here since Kenneth Arnold first observed them in 1947, certainly they must know our language and our Morse Code communication system. By monitoring our radios they undoubtedly could pick up our language in a short period of time, as the Morse Code System is no secret and it is used daily throughout the world. However, we decided it was all too

fantastic and we then dismissed the subject.

However, several weeks afterwards Al Bailey called me and said: "Remember what we were discussing about flying saucers? We have had success."

"What do you mean?" I asked, "Have you seen one?"

"No," he replied, "I do not mean that, I mean that we have made radio contact."

Then I asked the question that all of you would ask: "Is it a hoax?"

"Yes," he said, "The radio man thinks it is a hoax because he cannot figure out why they would contact a nobody like him. He wonders why they did not contact the government or Einstein."

I later asked the radio man: "How do you know they have not contacted the government?" He thought his might be a reasonable assumption.

Regarding the messages we were receiving, the radio man suspected that they might be from another amateur. He noticed that the code was extremely loud and he had to turn his whole set almost completely off and the volume way down. He also noticed that the code was very fast. The radio man is not only a "ham" (amateur) operator but is also a commercially licensed operator with the Santa Fe Railroad in Arizona, and he has a reputation of being very fast on both receiving and sending. But he missed much of the messages we were receiving. He constantly asked them to slow down and they would slow down between words but not between letters. The words would come in very fast and then a long pause before the next word. He then began to realize that the messages could not be coming from another amateur. He then thought that if they were coming from earth they might be from communists in Mexico. This was a poor idea and he did not keep this idea too long, but he thought possibly they might be communists in Mexico preparing for a landing, and when they landed we would greet them in friendship and out would come the Russians. He thought it might be a plan preliminary to an atomic bomb attack to cause panic. However, he dismissed that idea very quickly.

His ham radio shack in his backyard was separated into two sections. One part was where he did repair work and the other part contained his radio set. He did technical work for the Santa Fe Railroad and also for police radios. He noticed that if he was at his work bench, the saucer people would come in and give a preliminary warning before giving the message and when he got to the set the message would start. The warning was in the form of a couple of preliminary beats. However, if he was already at the set they never gave this preliminary warning. This gave him a very strange feeling for they seemed to know whether he was at the radio equipment or not. The messages were received in international Morse Code. One time we had radio telephone contact with the space people but the rest of the time it was radio telegraphy.

The radio man decided to run some sort of a test and told them he was operating at a disadvantage because they knew who he was but he did not know who they were.

He asked: "As you have made this contact you must be interested in us. Therefore will you give us some type of assurance so that we can know that you are who you say you are?"

They replied immediately, and said: "Yes, yes. If you will get a glass we will be by Solus at high time tomorrow."

We took that to mean that if we would get a telescope they would be by the sun at noon the next day. We did not have a telescope and did not know exactly what they meant by being "by the sun." I went out the next day and looked up at the blazing sun, but of course did not see anything. However, that evening the newscast coming up from Phoenix, Arizona at 5:45 p.m. announced that a large fleet of the so called "flying saucers" had been sighted around noon that day. This could have meant something but we did not want to jump at conclusions and decided to wait until something else developed.

The next day the Los Angeles Times reported that Mount Wilson Observatory in the middle part of the previous day had observed tremendous sun spots suddenly appear on the sun.

Now there is nothing unusual about sun spots on the sun, except that this was a period of declining sun spot activity. There should not be any sun spots at least not large ones, and instead of their lasting the usual two-week to thirty-day period these sun spots lasted only one day. We do not know if there is any connection or not, or if this is just a strange coincidence.

I would like to mention that I am not a technical man. One of the reasons anthropology appealed to me was that I did not have to take mathematics. It is said that the men go into anthropology because they do not have to take mathematics, and the women go into it because there are men in it! Now what I tell you as we get into more scientific terminology this evening is for you to accept or reject. I am not going to inject any of my own opinions or ideas for I am sure you are not interested in my opinions. However, I do feel that the experiences that I have had and the experiences of others with flying saucers should be told.

We were very much interested in our radio contacts and wanted to find out if it was all true. The radio man decided to run a test. He was on 40 meters and asked a question and got an immediate answer. Then very quickly he switched to 160 meters and asked another question and the answer came in promptly. The 40 meters that he was going to switch to 160 meters the man would not have had time to find him and therefore could not have heard the question and could not have answered it. That was one of the first tests he made.

Then one night a cousin of his visited him while he was in communication with another ham. He did not mention saucers to the cousin but they heard a strange buzzing sound outside. He has a fluorescent tube on the outside of his shack and when he is sending messages it flashes on and off. He asked his cousin to go outside and see if there was anything wrong. The cousin did and called to him to come outside quickly.

"You might think I'm crazy but I think that there is one of those flying saucers," he said excitedly.

Above the antenna a large orange disc was hovering but it soon took off at high speed. Then the radio man told his cousin what he had been doing in trying to establish radio contact.

The radio man figured as long as they had contacted him by radio perhaps they would be willing to land in some remote area. He asked them and they replied they would be willing to land, it would just be another saucer sighting and there are hundreds of such sightings. Then the radio man made all the arrangements as to where we would go the next day to make the contact. He was to drive in one car, and we would follow him in our car.

That same evening the radio man's father-in-law came in from Tennessee. He was quite an elderly gentleman and was very senile and childish and could not keep his balance. He was really a sick man. The radio man had finished transmitting for the evening when his daughter came into the shack and told us that she had quite a problem as to what to do about the elderly gentleman. She felt they should not take him with them on the trip in which they hoped to contact the space people and she felt she could not leave him alone. If she took him on the trip and he saw something unusual he might have a heart attack and certainly she could not tell him that she was going out to contact a man from another world. Also, she was afraid that if they saw him they might not want to land.

We discussed this problem for at least an hour and we were not attempting any experiment in mental telepathy or anything like that, it never entered our minds. The receiver was on as always and all at once a message came in which said:

"Now, about the father."

Believe me I think my hair stood on end when I looked over the radio man's shoulder and saw what he was writing. The radio man turned around looking very pale and said:

"Believe me if I ever doubted, I do not now, because this is impossible but it is happening before my very eyes."

These space people told us about the old man's condition, which was verified later by a doctor. They also said there was a saline solution by the bed which was hampering the contact and asked that someone remove it and clean it up. The daughter went inside and found the solution. She came back looking very pale also. The space people seemed to know everything that went on in the ham shack and in the house. This message in connection with the elderly gentleman was the longest and I feel that it was the most significant message we received. But they said it would be all right for us to take him with us the next day. Their parting sentence was:

"Never fear the aged for they can help when they are brought back into life again."

You will all have to interpret that for yourselves, but I feel that it is very important.

The next day a fourteen year old boy from next door who was staying with his uncle, a Colonel in the Air Force, came over and asked us what happened last night. The radio man thought this strange because he was on the air almost every night and the neighbors were used to this. He asked the young boy what he meant, and if he had seen anything unusual. The boy replied that he woke up, and gave the time he awakened which was the same time we were having the radio contact about the old gentleman. He looked out from the glassed-in porch where he had been sleeping and saw a long tubular shaft of white light above the house. He could not see where it ended as it kept going straight up into space. The lower end went right down into the house and into the bedroom. The boy said he knew he was not dreaming. He was fully awake and knew what he saw.

This was just another check, for no one knew what we were doing. In fact, I did not tell my father until months later but he was quite skeptical and thought we were being hoaxed. However, I have since heard from my mother and she said father finally saw a flying saucer and it was confirmed by his friend, the head of the weather bureau. So my father is beginning to wonder too.

Unfortunately we did not succeed in making our contact the next day. The radio man went on first and we were to meet him. However, in trying to follow his car we ran into a great deal of traffic and we lost him. He took a left fork in the road which we unfortunately did not see him take. We tried hard to find him but could not. When we all returned later that evening we made radio contact with the saucer people again and they said that the plans had been changed but that when all was ready we would be contacted "by a man." I did not know what they meant but that is what they said.

Now I know you must wonder what all this means. It is very interesting to speak to a Venusian on the desert and to talk to a saucer by short wave radio, but really when the novelty wears off and the excitement subsides, what does it mean? If it just means that some stray Venusian happened to drop down and talk to a man in the desert and took off again and that would be the end of it, it does not mean much.

The people of the world are asking what it means. If saucers are interplanetary and they are coming here, what does it mean to us? Are they here to conquer us, are we all going to be annihilated? What does it mean and why have they come. We asked these and all manner of similar questions.

One of the questions was asked by my wife as she is interested in medicine: "You have such tremendous development in space ships, etc., have you advanced in medical science?"

They answered with just "No."

We were amazed and said: "That does not seem right. You have space ships yet you have not advanced in medical science? Why?"

The answer was: "Simple, no disease, no medical science."

They also said it was not natural for man to die in agony of cancer or other diseases, and that it is not the germs we have

that cause disease. The germs are merely the scavengers and it is incorrect thinking that causes disease.

We asked about the length of life on the other planets. They replied that on Mars or Venus the inhabitants live between 300 to 1500 years, and when they have learned the lessons of the planet they have been living on, and then are ready to go to the next, they merely pass out of the picture.

Believe me, this saucer business is fantastic, but even living itself is fantastic. The fact that we are alive and sitting here is fantastic. Truth is stranger than fiction and we must keep an open mind. We realize that what we know now is only a pale shadow of what we will know tomorrow. Remember the learned men in Columbus' time at the Spanish Court! Columbus was held up three years because the great scientists thought they knew all there was to know about science. They were absolutely certain that the earth was flat, but of course we know now that is not true. The wise men should have known better, because their ancestors on this earth knew full well that the earth was round. Their ancestors also knew that other planets were inhabited. What these space people are telling us is not really new. It is only new to some of us. Remember the old saying: "There is nothing new under the sun."

We asked about our atomic experiments because there is so much talk about strange weather, tornadoes, etc. They said yes, they were quite concerned about our atomic experiments. It seems to me we should be a little concerned also. Three days after an atomic bomb was set off we had an earthquake in Turkey killing about 1,200 people. The atomic bomb blasts shake up our earth faults and contribute to some of these things. Even our astronomers tell us that large sun spots appear on our sun, which is over 90 million miles away, when an atomic bomb is set off. If it can affect our sun so many miles away it is logical to assume that the blast contributed to the Turkey disaster. These people are concerned about our atomic bombs, but it is not our atomic bombs that are their main concern.

They say that our entire solar system is moving into a new area of the universe and that cosmic ray bombardment will increase at a fast rate. Recently a very famous American physicist announced to the scientific world that the electron count has speeded up and that the cosmic ray bombardment was increasing at a tremendous rate and that present theories would not account for it in any way. He was very alarmed. His work did not get into the newspapers. It did appear in a few scientific journals and was immediately hushed up. But, if you look in some of the back issues of Science News Letter you will find the facts. The space people told us about this even before it was announced.

Another thing they told us about was the extra satellites or moons that we now have. It was only recently announced, but I happen to know that some of our people were investigating this phenomenon over two years ago. In fact our government was doing work on it two miles from us at Lowell Observatory when we had our radio contacts with space people in northern Arizona. During this time the saucers spoke of Lowell Observatory and I know that over a million dollars worth of electronic equipment was installed on top of Mars Hill in an endeavor to locate the two satellites or artificial space stations that are now in the earth's gravitational field. This is not a secret, Frank Edwards, Washington commentator, has had it on his newscast and it has been written up in several scientific journals, etc. However, it has not been announced what these space stations are. I can state that they are not Russian space stations and they do not belong to us. They travel so rapidly that they cannot be picked up by telescope but they have been detected by electronic equipment.

The space people said that as we move into this new area of the universe there are going to be some very strange things take place on the physical, mental and spiritual planes. Peoples' minds are going to change for one thing. Also, there will be tornadoes and earthquakes. Volcanoes that have never been active in recent history will become active and erupt. Perhaps the ones in Alaska and in the Pacific that are now becoming active are perhaps part of this picture. Watch your newspapers in the small corners for the news and you can see the trend for yourself.

The Ionian Island disaster was over an area in the Mediterranean where three of the earth's major fault lines converge. Also a large explosion was felt over Seattle a couple of years ago when green fireballs exploded and caused a great reverberation throughout the Seattle area in the state of Washington. Seattle is also over an area where three of the major fault lines of the earth converge.

These saucers are coming from many different places in the universe. The only thing that men on earth can accept is a physical phenomena such as a saucer or mechanical device and even then some people in the world are laughing at flying saucers. Incidentally, we were told that these ships operate in a resonating electromagnetic magnetic field. They say we have not yet discovered the fourth grade primary force of the universe, which is what they are using. It is the same force that makes a space ship out of our own planet. ALL celestial bodies operate in a resonating electromagnetic magnetic field. The small craft have counter rotating wheels. They say that this power is to be ours also and that earth will in time be taken into the interplanetary brotherhood.

Now a word about space beings. There are beings in outer space who do not eat as we do and there are those who do not have organs of speech like ours, but they use telepathy for communication. Let me tell you what these people have to say about man:

Man wherefrom, whyfor, and whereto. They say that man is not man because he has two legs, two arms and two eyes placed in a certain position in his head or because he has come up from the anthropoid ape. They say that man is man because he is a spiritual being, that man exists through the universe, that man as a race is an inhabitant of space, and that he takes on certain physical manifestations or vehicles on certain planets to learn certain lessons and have certain pleasure-pain experiences.

We can liken our earth very simply to a school. If you had progressed beyond this earth you would not go down to the first grade and interfere with what was being taught there. The space people will not interfere with our instruction. They say we are not going to get off this planet until we make the grade or learn the lessons this earth has to teach us. They liken it to the words of Christ: "In my Father's house there are many mansions." In space there are many planets and they say that all of them are inhabited by "life." After I had these experiences I started reading the Bible and many other things mentioned by the space people. In Hebrew it says: "the worlds were framed by the word of God." Please note that "worlds" is plural.

What about some of the astronomical theories? The science of astronomy is known as a pure and true science because it is based on mathematics. When most of us were in school, astronomers said the planet Jupiter contained deadly methane and ammonia gas. Recently they have announced through scientific journals that they were 100% wrong, Jupiter is hydrogen. If they are 100% inaccurate about one thing they are liable to be about something else. As many of you know because it has been in many of the newspapers, they have discovered that the distances to Andromeda and the other great galaxies are double the distance previously announced. Again, they were 100% wrong. It is twice as far as they thought! This is much the situation as existed in Columbus' time. The scientists of Columbus' time were no less great because they said the earth was flat; unquestionably they represented great minds of the time. On today's mistakes are based the truth of tomorrow.

These people say that all planets are inhabited to a certain extent by some type of life. They say that comets are planets in the making. That is now one of the latest astronomical theories. They are discounting the old nebular and planetesimal hypothesis that we blew off from the sun. The latest theory is that planets and other celestial bodies are formed by cosmic matter accumulating in space, getting bigger and bigger like a snowball rolling down a hill. After millions of years the comets cool off and vegetation, etc., appears and single cell life develops indigenous to that planet. Also, when the planet is ready for human life, or the classroom is all readied up, spiritual life arrives from outer space.

In other words, what these people are saying is that they are your brothers and sisters and that they are not of a different creation. The only reason you and I are where we are is that we are getting certain lessons in this particular classroom. The reason they are on Mars or Venus is because they have left our grade. They say there is no basic difference, that life came from outer space in the beginning to the planet earth. The story in Genesis of Adam and Eve is true, but is allegorical.

In this case everyone of you is a "spaceman." We are all space people because we do not live underground but live on the surface of the planet so we are as much "space people" as the people on Mars. We are not space craft people for we do not travel from planet to planet, but we are space people.

Very recently a professor in Finland, one of the world's foremost geographers, announced that they have discovered that practically all of the earth's bacteria that form humus is dying at a rapid rate. It takes some nine thousand years to produce a certain humus and if it does not replenish itself it will leave in about two years. This means the possibility of famines on our earth. There is no known way of stopping this. It is continuing to die because of the increased cosmic ray bombardment. These things are absolute facts and they can be checked.

The saucer people told us by radio it does not matter whether you believe who you are in contact with or not because if this thing is true it is going to happen. I have always believed what Francis Bacon said: "Truth is the daughter of time and not the authority." If what I say is true, it will lie on, if not it will die a very quick death and no one is going to be harmed very much. But, on the slight chance that it is true it is very important because the lives of each and every one of us are going to be changed. My life has already been completely changed by these contacts with space people. I have had to give up a large part of what I learned in school, because it cannot stand in the light of the new knowledge which is coming to us.

John Robinson in England, a young astronomer, has upset many of the older astronomers by announcing that seventy miles above our earth there is a layer of pure hydrogen. In other words, if you were on Mars and you were looking through a spectroscope, you would say nothing in heaven's name could live on earth because it is hydrogen. We know that all life, oxygen, water, vapor, etc., is found near the surface of our planet. And, as I said it has been announced that Jupiter is hydrogen; so why can not someone live on Jupiter?

Another thing is that some of the astronomers seem to be such great authorities on what these other bodies are. Our so called astrophysicists say that these bodies are such and such. Recently, a well-known astronomer announced that the core of Jupiter is definitely solid. How can he know that, when our own geologists are still debating the question as to whether the core of our earth is solid or not? We do not even know the nature of our own planet under our feet. So how can we know what Jupiter is like millions upon millions of miles away? Between the spectroscope and Jupiter you have millions of miles where all kinds of cosmic debris is floating around. That is why one time the spectroscope will get one reading from Venus and at another time will get a totally different reading with the same spectroscope. It just is not accurate.

As I said before, the space people say that all planets are inhabited, and that there are twelve planets in our solar system and not nine. Of course, twelve is significant in our symbology and our historical records; such as twelve apostles, twelve months, twelve signs in the Zodiac, etc. They say there is one planet beyond Pluto and two more between Mercury and the sun. One of these has already been seen in transit in the late eighteen hundreds across the sun's surface and was named Vulcan, but it was not accepted by most of the scientific world.

The contacts that we had were mostly with Mars, Venus, Jupiter and Saturn. They say that Saturn is the tribunal or headquarters of our solar system. There have been many debates as to whether the saucerians are etheric. Are they from other worlds, other dimensions, are they invisible or are they discarnate spirits? In other words, by dying do we merely pass

into another dimension, another world? Is that what the saucer beings are? Are they beings like ourselves in a three dimensional world on another planet such as Mars or even in another system? All of these concepts are apparently accurate to a certain degree.

Saucers are coming from many different places; from our own solar system, from other solar systems which are in our own dimension and they are also coming from higher dimensions. They claim that at the present time there are fifty-one solar systems in the confederation and that they have over three and one-half million space craft surrounding our planet at the present time.

They have been following out a definite plan. They say that they have agents throughout the earth. These fall into several groups. They say there was an influx of people from other worlds by space craft transportation in the eighteen hundreds. The microfilm libraries in various newspaper morgues tell of enormous spaceships seen in our atmosphere at this period. Another group consists of about ten million people not of earth origin now on the surface of our planet. About six million of these are now in the United States.

This group did not just now step off from saucers. They are here through the reincarnational cycle, and starting about 1947 the saucer beings began a program of waking up these people to the fact that they lived originally on other planets. The saucers also now land their own people here to perform certain definite jobs. These space people do not live among us permanently. They are only here for short periods. They also say that the reason we on earth have progressed more in the last fifty years than we had in the last ten thousand years is because of this type of assistance coming from outer space.

They have further said that certain people will be taken from our earth to other planets. However, there will be those who will not be taken for the simple reason that they themselves are not perfect and some people on earth if taken to their planet might incorrectly influence the minds of some of their own people. However, some people are being taken now and they will be instructed and returned here to be used as teachers.

I want to make it very clear that I am not representing any church or any particular group and my opinions are not important; I can only repeat what was said by the space people. They say life is eternal and that Christ is in charge of the planet earth. The saucer people are the "hosts" that were prophesied about as coming to earth proceeding the Second Coming of Christ. They say it is true that Christ will return and that there will be a judgment day. There will also be earthquakes, etc. Certain souls have progressed to a certain stage where the new earth will be for them; all others who have not reached this stage of growth will go elsewhere. They say only the good will remain on earth, that is those of a certain evolution. As for the judgment day, the "judgment" is merely our own development. Some will be able to live in the new higher vibration, and some will not. All will, however, land in the "school" best suited for their growth.

There is now a tremendous interest in our planet from outer space. These people claim they are not gods, they are only a little bit ahead of us and they still make plenty of mistakes. They figured that we would discover nuclear energy about 1950 but because of our second world war and the speed-up in technical advances this came about in the 40's. They said they knew our whole system was passing into a new area of the universe and that certain things had to be done because certain conditions will not exist on earth in the new vibratory rate.

They are not going to interfere in the sense of coming down and stopping what we are learning in this classroom. Now some of us wonder why God himself in all his mercy does not or has not stopped wars on this earth. Or we wonder why the space people, if they are so grand and powerful - why they do not stop wars. It is because there are certain souls that need to experience wars, and after they are blown up about twenty thousand times the soul finally realizes that it is all a little ridiculous.

These people do not like to see war, they do not like to see the cream of our youth destroyed in wars, and much of our good attainment destroyed. But at the same time they do not look

upon death as we do. They claim that life is eternal and therefore if you leave one physical vehicle it does not matter very much because you live forever anyway. When they see our boys die on the battlefield they realize it is not death. Nevertheless we are told that the New Age will eventually see the end of all wars on this planet forever.

They also say that we are the only warring planet in this section of the universe. We are not the only planet that has wars, but in this section of the universe we are the only warring planet.

To give you an example they said they know of a system where the people have just invented the wheel and have an axle and found out that if they put beeswax on the axle it would not wear out so quickly. So there are places where men are still running around with clubs, and there are planets that are just cooling off. It is a continual process and I might add that the whole thing is a circular affair. We are heading toward perfection but we are the planet of lowest development in this section of the universe. In other words, we thought we were so grand but we are not -- we seem to be more like the garbage can!

During my lecture in Cincinnati I referred to our earth as the "garbage can" of our system. One woman said she could believe of this but that she just could not believe that any thing in all creation could have anything superior to what the United States has! Well, that is very nice and I am proud that I am a United States citizen and I am proud of our attainments and developments but after all we have to face the facts. Anyway she did not like the garbage can idea! Another woman asked me what they said about Hell. I told her their idea was this: We are in it right now!

One time we told the Venusians that their world sounded like heaven. They said we must not say that because they are still very crude, and that they know of a planet which is six trillion years ahead of them. They said that man does not always take the form that we know now. Believe me this is getting very fantastic, but I give it because it was what we were told. They said that they know of worlds, although they cannot comprehend them, where man is geometric in form. Imagine, if you can, a cube or a triangle going along together! It is just beyond our comprehension. As the Bible says: "Eye has not seen or ear has not heard what the Father has in store for us." These people say that this is true. On this planet we have a certain physical form. We as spiritual beings took this form in order to learn the lessons that this particular planet has to offer.

Major fault lines cover the earth. When the government decided where to perform our atomic experiments they picked a place where the least amount of people would have to be moved, and the southwest was decided upon in New Mexico. Unfortunately, these experiments were set off right over two of our major fault lines.

When the big atomic test was made in the Pacific around March 25, about a day later there occurred some terrific earthquakes in the Hawaiian Islands. The atomic bombs are not causing the strange conditions but they are accentuating an already dangerous situation and our lines of weakness are under more strain and stress now because of the atomic bomb experiments. If you find a small crack in the ground and you stomp around on it you may weaken it and the whole thing may give away.

Yes, there will be catastrophes. In fact they have already started. Earthquakes will increase, certain lands will go under. The polar caps are melting at a very fast rate which is why there were icebergs seen off Florida recently. Also avalanches occurred in Europe which buried entire villages. The snow is melting very fast. Ice flows occurred in the northern European harbors not many months ago, which clogged the harbors so that ships could not get in or out.

These people say the, world is not coming to an end. The world will not end. It is only that the true Golden Age which we once knew upon earth will return -- the Golden Age that all historians talk about, when man had the ability to speak with angels. Disease will no longer exist. War will no longer plague us. They also assure us that life is eternal. They say they believe in a Creator, the same God as we do but they also said that: "You worship by word and not by deed."

May I say that when these people speak they never speak in a derogatory way against any nation, race or church. When they speak of us they speak of us as a totality -- or the people of earth. They are interested in everyone in the world.

Some people suggest that religion be left out of this subject. But how can you leave religion out of it. It is connected. Many people will say that I sound like a Mormon, an Oaspiian, a Christian Scientist or some other kind of religionist, and that many of the things I say are things they have learned in their church. All of the religions have some of the truth. These people told us that God provided, but that man divided. We are always dividing. That is why we have so many churches and so many philosophies.

For a long time science has been on the left and religion on the far right, but more and more through the years they have been coming together. How can truth contradict truth? There is no religion higher than truth and if science has some of that truth and religion has some of the same truth, that truth cannot contradict itself. I feel that the scientist must recognize the truth of religion, and the religionist must recognize the truth of science.

Perhaps there will have to be a big explosion to fuse them together in our minds. But in the minds of the space people they are already one. In fact they have always been one, because truth will not contradict truth wherever it is found.

They also told us that under the new cosmic ray bombardment all falsity and hoaxes will pass away. We will not have to wonder, is this or that true. We will know! This is one of the mental changes that will come about. Watch your newspapers and you will see many things being shown up for what they are. You can call it the true light coming from Aquarius, you can call it a new vibration, or a new density, or you can call it a new dimension or the New Golden Age.

In the fall of last year we left the old third density and we are no longer in it. We are in the transitional stage or in the beginning of a new dimension or new density right now. As the change is coming slowly we do not notice it too much. Many people say we are going from Pisces to Aquarius. These space people are here merely to help us, and to usher us into this new dimension -- usher us into this New Age.

Regardless of what we do there is a New Age coming. People are wondering what is going to happen in the future. The space beings said they would not interfere with our education, but there was a qualification to this. This may seem like a contradiction but I will try to make it clear. They will eventually interfere if we decide upon atomic war. If we decide on a peaceful "one-world" they will land and assist us into the New Age on earth. If we decide on aggressive war they will let the war go on a certain length of time because there are certain souls on earth that must have this lesson, and then they will interfere for our planet must not be destroyed, nor the peaceful and constructive minded inhabitants. At one time they said:

"We are here to conquer earth, but conquer the earth with love."

Now the big question is when is all this going to take place. We asked this question repeatedly. Our radio messages said many times:

"Very soon -- soon -- soon."

We replied: "Maybe 10,000 years to you is soon. What do you mean by soon?"

They answered: "When we say soon, we mean soon as you think of soon!"

Impatient as we are that must be pretty quick!

Whether you believe what I have told you or not does not matter. But keep your eyes on the skies. Keep an open mind and look into this thing for yourselves and give it some serious attention. We are actually entering a New Age on this earth!

I have enjoyed talking to you very much and would like to know

each and everyone of you.

Thank you!

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Another fine post by:

Blue Resonant Human, Ph.D.

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Mass sighting in Phoenix

From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:41:23 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 16:44:40 -0500
Subject: Mass sighting in Phoenix

>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 11:56:43 -0500
>From: Jerry Washington <skyeking@aye.net>
>Organization: Kentucky/MUFON
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: [Fwd: Re: Mass sighting in Phoenix]

>This report on the Phoenix mass sightings was forwarded to me by Fran
>Ridge of the UFO Filter Center and Project Lunascan.

>Jerry Washington
>SD Kentucky/MUFON
>_____

>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 10:26:48 -0600 (CST)
>To: skyeking@aye.net
>From: slk@world.evansville.net (Francis Ridge)
>Subject: Re: Mass sighting in Phoenix

>UFO FILTER CENTER MESSAGE

>This report, compliments Greg Long -- greglong@proaxis.com:

>This report just in from Tom King. Orange globes or large balls of light
>have been videotaped and reported across Arizona since last monday. At
>least 3 videos were taken last night between 8:00 to 10:00 pm and one
>shown on tv showing 6 in lined up in a row. Reports have been fielded by
>one airline pilot but did not show up on radar. News report 1000s of
>witnesses. It is already being called the most documented mass sighting
>the last 10 years.

JC: Either it is "earthlights" and we may be about to have a large
earthquake or ???????

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Alfred's Odd Ode #110

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 10:00:12 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 16:47:50 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #110

Apology to MW #110 (For March 16, 1997)

Do I dare? Do you care? Have you looked through my window?
Are you brave? Do you crave more than tired innuendo?
Do you stare? (Are you bare?) Do you pray for sound sleep?
Do they hound you? Can they pound you? Have you waded too deep?

Well, look through this eyepiece, and see what is seen.
It=92s a light show, it=92s a fright show, it=92s a perilous scream.
Drop congestion, infestation, other useless contraption.
Imagine you=92re living in the other guy=92s *mansion*.

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Look =96 ! . . .quiet, but thirsty, your mother was mean.
Your dreams were to rule as a maniac queen.
You keep all the science from the lowly unwashed.
You power your garden with spirit you quashed.

Look =96 ! . . .inside deepest space where the heart is the faintest.
There lives a bad god who requires a mad pain fest.
It ensnares the sad traveler in a web of faux pleasure.
Then comes torture, and bleeding, and horror=92s own measure.

Look =96 ! . . .still in space, at a world with graced flatlands.
It has mountains, and forests, and oceans of grasslands.=20
It has life without strife; it grows willowy tall.
If you had to stay here, then it=92s not a bad call.

Look =96 ! . . .as if blessed with a thankful gestalt,
You stand just inside the rumored black vault.
What=92s on those low tables; what sits in those stalls?
And your eyes, or your mind, make no sense, not at all.

Look =96 ! . . .then he puts his old hand on her brow.
He has loved her for decades, but her time has come now.
He is scared to the bone to go it alone,
Too soon she=92ll be gone, and he=92ll walk along home.

Look =96 ! . . .there=92s the weak force at the *core* of the atom!
It=92s a glue that reality needs infinitum!
With his sister the strong force he holds matter=92s sway,
Or the world, and all thought would just all blow away.

Look =96 and there=92s Lehmborg, a`bang at his keyboard.
To his left is a rocket, to his right is a broad sword.
To his front is an eagle, Class Rocks, and wrought metal.
To the rear is a past all unsealed and inspectable.

Look =96 and there=92s Rogers awash in safe dreams.
He counts, then divides into piles, scant beans.
Convergent, accepting of skeptical blather,
Ignoring the evidence of a type he would rather. . .

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=20
But that=92s enough looking through the eyes of a muse.
As it takes you up high, and then sings you the blues.
Bewitched and betrothed, you=92re abused by religion;
You=92ve come to a crossroads of strange new decisions <g>.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

"And with the refrain, thrust home!" =96 Cyranno.

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake for the size of his nose.

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Re: Wingfield Bytes

From: James A Diss <76710.234@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 15 Mar 97 20:36:49 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 16:49:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Wingfield Bytes

>Date: 14-Mar-97 07:10:01 MsgID: 822-20231 ToID: 76710,234
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto >INTERNET:updates@globalserve.net
>Subj: UFO UpDate: Wingfield Bytes

Erik, on behalf of George, forwarded another directed missive;

>Chad Deetken's criticism of Rob Irving

Like, no-one with an axe to grind with reference to crops....

> which was forged using computer software

Perhaps I'm being dense, but how is it possible to 'forge' a photograph?

> There was at that stage no suggestion that the photo was a forgery and
>no clue as to how it had been produced.

Ah, so we assume that pictures of disks in hangers are automatically
alien craft without clarification?

> "Computer enhanced" has a very different meaning to "computer created".

Indeed, it is semantically different. 'Enhance' being the
exaggeration, 'creation' being the...erm...creation. As I
recall, the Aviano base exists, the saucer model exists
(indeed, it's probably the best known saucer, and who
would've thought that Testor would have got it right first
time), with both being combined.

> Naturally it caused quite a stir with several UFO researchers,
>especially in Italy, who assumed that it was genuine.

Key word here. 'Assumed'.

>Only much later did Irving and Fortean Times admit that the
>picture was produced using 'Photoshop' computer software to
>digitise and combine two images: one of an open hangar for
>jet fighters at Aviano and one of a model UFO

Three images, allegedly. The 'no hunting' sign was put in for
visual interest, and I thought was interesting wordplay. I
mean everyones seen the 'take no photographs' signs at Area 51.

>there were quite a few people at the Fortean Times UnConvention
>in London last April who were far from satisfied with what
>appeared to have been deliberate trickery.

While through May-September in Wiltshire.....

A nobody,
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Skywatch: Re: Arizona Sightings

From: "SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL, INC." <skywatch@mail.phoenix.net>
Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:22:41 -0700
Fwd Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 16:51:06 -0500
Subject: Skywatch: Re: Arizona Sightings

----- Forwarded Message Follows -----
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 97 13:57:18 -0700
From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Subject: Re: Arizona Sightings
To: DonZon@aol.com
Cc: skywatch@wic.net

FYI---

The UFO Reporting Center says it received numerous calls from around Prescott and Paulden, AZ last night of triangles. Reports were also received from Glendale, Tempe, and Phoenix. There have been 3 Daylight Disc sightings in the past 2 weeks over West Phoenix --- we have become part of the worldwide wave of sightings! Following is a brief report forwarded (upon request) to the National UFO Reporting Center:

<---- Begin Forwarded Message ---->
Date: Fri, 14 Mar 97 11:25:37 -0700
From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Subject: Re: Arizona Sightings
To: National UFO Reporting Center <ufocntr@nwlinc.com>

Dear Peter,

Tom does not have a computer or e-mail address so I do most of e-mail communicating for him. Right now I am sending this message from my work station. My home e-mail is billh46088@aol.com.

Yesterday, on a tip from Joe Trainor who does UFO Roundup on the web, I contacted a Steve Blonder who had sightings of the yellow-golden to orange lights over the Gila River Indian Reservation. I called Tom King who video tapes many anomalous aerial objects and together we arrived at Steve's around 9 pm. Many of his neighbors were milling around the house as all of them had sighted these objects over the previous three nights between 9pm and 10 pm.

Steve greeted us and told us that we were a little late as they already had a sighting. He showed us a video tape from his Panasonic 8mm camcorder which showed the anomalous lights. He had some of this out of focus because he used "auto-focus" instead of manual for night taping.

He and his wife volunteered to show us from their viewing spot, the second-floor balcony, where they were seeing the lights. We went to the balcony and took a look around. You could easily see air traffic on approach to Phoenix Skyharbor airport. They pointed to the southwest toward a group of low hills in the direction of the reservation. As they were showing us, one of the glowing lights came on in the pointed-out direction. Tom immediately went to his car to get his camcorder and wide-field telescope. When he came back and set up, five of these lights were now glowing brightly in the southwest. They did not appear to be the color of flares and were not conventional aircraft lights. Through the scope they appeared to be spherical. Four of these formed a horizontal line. Tom videotaped this formation for about five minutes until they went out one by one.

We left the house and went to the boundary street next to the reservation to find a spot to stakeout tonight when we will return with more video cams. All of Steve's neighbors were very excited when they

saw these lights and no one had a conventional explanation for them. They told us that there was virtually nothing over that area of the reservation.

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton

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Re: EL/TST

From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:00:06 -0500
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Subject: Re: EL/TST

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Fri, 14 Mar 1997 19:33:30 -0500 (EST)
>To: UPDATES@globalserve.net
>Subject: Earth Lights/TST Debate

>>Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 12:02:41 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: "Steven J. Powell" <sjpowell@access.digex.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Devereux-Rutkowski: EL/TST Debate

>On March 9, John wrote:

>>Can they [earth lights] be picked up on airport radar? Wouldn't
>>radar tapes from airports near seismically active areas be an
>>excellent data source?

>A very good question, and this point hasn't been lost on earth
>lights researchers. During the 1980s' Hessdalen wave of light
>phenomena, there were cases of visually observed lights yielding
>radar echoes. (However, sometimes, even when the same light was
>being witnessed, no radar echoes could be received from it for
>a time! It is this "on-off"/"here-gone-here" characteristic, also
>noticed in other ways with earth lights, that first led to the
>suspicion that we are dealing with a macro-quantal phenomenon.)

JC: Paul, I'm sure I've missed something here. Did you say you have proof
that particular light that was "on-off"/"here-gone-here" was an "earth
light." Could you possibly point the members of this list directly to this
information? Is it on the NET. I am interested in seeing this.

> Also,I have spoken at length with air traffic controllers at the main
>airport in Mexico City, who are equipped with advanced radar
>equipment,who told me they received a radar echo from a spherical
>green light moving close to an airliner on approach, and which was
>being observed by the plane's pilots and ground staff. So it would
>seem,from what little chance we've had to check the matter, that
>earth lights can be picked up by radar - at least some of the time.

JC: I don't quite understand. If you had "little chancesnip.... to
check the matter," how could you have determined that this green light was
an "earth light"?

>It would be nice indeed to use radar tapes - if one can get them!
>A couple of years ago, while studying the "Marfa lights" in the
>Big Bend country of Texas, we noted a radar blimp tethered at
>15,000 feet not far from Marfa. We found that this was for monitoring
>illegal traffic across the Mexico-Texas border, and that the radar
>covered a very wide area and could distinguish targets down to
>a metre across at ground level. This would have been ideal for
>our purposes - it covered the Marfa area and beyond, and we could
>have checked tapes generally and specifically during periods where
>lights were being specially reported. Alas, a formal approach
>was ignored:

JC: So then, in this case, you are reporting a "failed-study?"

>what we wanted was essentially a record of screen
>litter material that would not have been of specific interest
>to the authorities. Not forthcoming, though.

JC: When you get it, I for one would be happy to see it. I'm sure others would as well.

>Anyhow, radar is being included in the equipment arrays now being
>worked on for the automatic monitoring of the Hessdalen valley.
>When the valley is fully 'wired' (a huge job) we will have the
>chance to obtain the ultimate in instrumental data.

JC: This sounds fascinating and excellent.

Moreover,
>you, and anyone on this list and beyond, will have the opportunity
>to monitor Hessdalen on the Net in real time! (I can't wait for
>ETH-besotted ufologists to get their first glimpse of an earth
>light in the comfort of their own homes!)

JC: Again, many of us have never said there are no such things as earth lights but, the person(s) studying them has to 1) prove they are "earth lights" and not something else. We are certainly not totally closed-minded to this possibility, but there has to be some concrete definitive proof we can all accept. 2) remember that, as I stated in my post to you which you have not answered, "many ufologists already mentally put these 'nocturnal light' cases in a lesser category, in view of the fact that out of the multitude of cases in existence, they are _lesser detailed cases_, and by definition, concern amorphous, rather than, 'visibly-structured' objects. Therefore, although your work is certainly highly interesting and will probably help us become aware of certain natural phenomena that exist on and within our planet, its applications to UFO sightings per se are necessarily limited." However, we are most happy to receive the input, even on that limited basis.

....snip....

>>Is it possible to guess at the type/kind of data this person
>>[at>the Edinburgh Seismic Unit] is referring to?

>>From the nature of our conversation it would have been the
>production
>of light phenomena in relation to tectonic activity. There is
>in any case no doubt at all about this connection. As an absolutely
>remarkable example, our TV film on earth lights shown in the UK
>on November 3 (and here in N America on 17 and 22 March on Discovery
>Channel) was followed by 7 days of widely reported light phenomena
>over Cornwall and South Wales prior to an earthquake.

JC: Interesting.

>As I have
>written elsewhere, I and other witnesses saw large golden orbs
>break out of cloud cover close to the epicentre location two years
>previously. It looked like a scene from some special effects movie!

JC: And did you capture this on film for others to view?

>>That leaves the better cases such as Westchester/Long Island,
>>Cash-Landrum, Bentwaters, Belgium, Gulf Breeze, etc.

>Yes, but it isn't a long list, is it?

JC: As a matter of fact, it's a fairly decent list. And let us not forget, you only need _one_ to be the "real thing" and to open up a "Pandora's box."

>Further, we have to ask
>ourselves what the true nature of those 'better' cases really
>is, and what exactly the EL approach has to answer in reality.

JC: In order to begin to do that you have to respond to my previous post, which you have not. In case you misplaced it, it is archived at
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/mar/m09-012.shtml>

>The Westchester case was, as certainly as one can say, due to
>microlite funsters - a close reading of 'Night Siege' leaves very
>little other option.

JC: Hmmn. So I assume you've done an in-depth analysis. Have you written this somewhere where we can see it?

>The ideas/impressions of large 'craft' came

>from people 'reading into' the movement of multiple lights (a
>common problem). Expectation has a powerful effect on visual perception.

JC: Ah, yes it does, and on mental perception as well. However, it's a sword with a double edged blade. It can work from the skeptic's side as well, especially on those people who think to themselves; "It can't be, therefore it isn't"

>The sounds of engines etc, are all give-aways in my opinion.

JC: Sounds of engines? I assume you mean the Westchester case. Not everyone heard these sounds. I believe some swore there was absolutely no sound at all accompanying what they saw.

>Gulf

>Breeze - that is still on the table in some quarters, then? (One
>despairs.) It isn't on mine. In the kindest analysis, the only
>things that could possible be authentic in that situation are
>lights out over the sea.

JC: So, all the rest is either "hoaxed" or "misidentified;" daytime videos, triangulated videos and stereoscopic pictures?

>The Belgian triangle *was* something,
>a craft, but was it alien? I doubt it, frankly.

JC: Yep! I guess those NATO boys are really incompetent. I don't know how on earth we defend ourselves. Calibrate their radar screens for approximately 55 minutes to eliminate prosaic malfunctions, scramble F-16s who chase whatever it was for approximately 75 minutes, get gun camera film on same which shows the object diving at a rate that would kill a normal pilot, have the head military brass, after analyzing the data say everyone felt the object(s) was "intelligently directed." Those darned fault lines are all over the place.

>The Cash-Landrum case was certainly an authentic event in my
>opinion,too,I quite agree, and I just do not know what it was the
> witnesses encountered.

JC: That says it all right there. Either do we.

>Landrum was sure it was a secret military
>device,remember, and that remains as likely an explanation as any.
>It *could* have been an alien craft, but, quite honestly, it could
>just as easily have been an earth light - such exotic plasmas
>as EL can certainly appear as "a diamond of fire" (precisely the
>appearance of a light seen during the 1905 Barmouth outbreak)

JC: And you've proven conclusively that light was an "earthlight?" May we see that proof? Again, we'd be quite interested and impressed.

AUGUST 5, 1981 National Enquirer:

"It's lighting up the whole sky, a long way up, and traveling fast,"
"Sometimes we can't see it, the trees are in the way." The object suddenly appeared in front of them and hovered over the road. "The massive, blue and diamond-shaped object was at treetop level, about 100 feet away, with huge red flames shooting from its bottom to the road below." "It's bigger than a water tower. And it's making a sound like beeping. Long beeps ...beep, beep, beep." "Long red flames are coming out of the bottom, like a rocket!" "For fifteen minutes the brilliant object hovered in front of them, huge flames spewing from the bottom end continuously. Sometimes the terrified trio heard a loud rushing sound like air brakes on a truck, as more flames shot toward the road."

and

>can also take on the appearance of "dull aluminium".

JC: ??? To which case were you referring? Obviously, Cash & Landrum can't tell an "earthlight" from a UFO or a diamond from a sphere. It's those darn hallucinations. They get you every time. Did I hear you say there were fault lines in the vicinity?

And the beeps? Earthlights beep too, right? I'm sure you've recorded this somewhere. And I must have forgotten that gravity pushes plasmas into a "diamond shape." Maybe it's my rotten human perception that does this. I'll have to go back and check this out.

Moreover,

>the physical effects the witnesses suffered are entirely in keeping
>with the sort of clinical reactions to energy fields surrounding
>a light phenomenon as assessed by - dare I mention his name on

>this list? - Persinger.

JC: Feel free. We've properly expressed our feelings regarding his methods with the media. The ball is in his court.

>They would also fit in with the new 'vorton'
>hypothesis being advanced by Fryberger at Stanford.

JC: Hmmn. I haven't heard the "vorton" one. Is it possible for one to see this posted somewhere as well?

>My reactions to the Bentwaters case are similar. Something bloody
>odd almost certainly happened there. The objects could have been
>alien craft. But, again, they could have been exotic phenomena.
>We know (above) that EL can yield radar returns, so no problem
>there. At least one of the visuals was of a 'fuzzy light'. Ther
>behaviour of the objects, following planes, could also have been
>an attractive reaction - if these things are magnetic/electricin
>their make-up.

JC: Must be just like the Belgium case where it got repelled from the front part of the plane that was diving trying to catch it after it got computerized radar lock-on. The same plane that got the gun camera data? Very interesting. I'd like to see that demonstrated in a lab. Perhaps a member of your group could perform this experiment for us?

>(I also have my personal suspicions about pseudo-
>intelligent interactivity on the parts of these phenomena, as have most
>investigators who have actually witnessed them, as I have.

JC: Witnessed what, amorphous lights? Too bad you weren't at my house November 4th, 1967. I can guarantee you'd be singing a different tune.

....snip....

>So, in short, we really do not know what EL has to explain.

JC: You said it, not me.

>My guess is that we do not know our planet and its energy dynamics
>as well as we think we do, and it may be premature and even unnecessary
>to postulate extra-terrestrial explanations (and despite the hoo-ha,
>the ETH is no more than a postulation

JC: You obviously haven't read my Oberg/Cooper series yet.

>- it is so easy to forget that fact). But, of course, there is no
>reason why ET craft and EL cannot co-inhabit Earth's atmosphere.

JC: A large number of us would agree with you. The real trouble here is, you really don't believe they can.

>If ufology was **really**
>an 'ology', **all** ufologists would be supportive of EL research
>as it would at least help sort wheat from chaff, as well as tell
>us more about the planet we live on.

JC: You mean like **all** scientists such as yourself are well informed regarding all the major research regarding UFOs? I didn't realize that. By the way, do you happen to know the total percentages of nocturnal lights and total percentages of daylight disks that were discovered in the Air Force's "Project Blue Book study" after analysis? (The staff at Blue Book collected UFO cases over a twenty year period. It's civilian astronomical consultant performed the analysis.)

>But we know that, by and large, that's not what 'ufology' - especially in
>America - is about, don't we?

JC: Ah, yes, here we go again....the highly scientific approach of bashing " 'ufology'in America." Paul, you sound a little like the person who wrote; "FLYING-SAUCEROLOGY: Europe vs the USA."

ONE QUOTE FROM MY REBUTTAL TO SAME:

"Present your research on a **specific** case or topic; tear it to shreds, pull the guts out of it, dissect it, bisect it, trisect it but, for God's sake,snip.... USA bashing. If you don't agree with U.S. studies, so be it....ignore us. If you don't agree with the "abduction cases website" located at <http://www.spacelab.net/~jvif/bhbp.html> , ignore them. If you don't agree with "implant analyses" located at <http://www.accessnv.com/nids/> and <http://www.anw.com/first/> , ignore those. If you don't agree with "cattle mutilation theories," please stop reading

Linda Moulton Howe's books. If you don't agree with Jack Kasher's analysis of NASA's ST 48, because you assume it to be impossible, be my guest. If you don't agree with the Pine Bush/Hudson Valley Website . Dr. Bruce Cornet <http://orion.adp.wisc.edu/bcornet1/> , ignore that too. If you think there are only a few UFO sightings which have occurred this year, please don't look up the National UFO Reporting Center at: <http://www.nwlink.com/~ufocntr> or the sightings in Colorado: <http://www.netzone.com/~gilgash/ufoovni.htm>. However, I am quite sure there will be others out there reading this that may take a look at some of these things for themselves and perhaps view them a bit more open-mindedly."

Sincerely,
Jerry

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P.S. By the way, still waiting for your explanations on "SKYTHING 1960" and Exeter.

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Subject: Brisbane 1997 UFO Symposium

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Skywatchers, For your interest.

Brisbane (Australia) 1997 UFO Symposium, 17 - 19 October 1997

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS:

Bob & Cecilia Dean - USA
James Hurtak - USA
Michael Lindeman, - USA
Prof. Sun Chi Li - China
Giorgio Bongiovanni - Italy,
Graham Birdsall - U.K.
Col.Wendelle Stevens - USA
Bud Hopkins - USA
Whitley Strieber - USA
Ademar [AJ] Gevaerd - Brazil
Warren Aston - Australia
Simon Harvey-Wilson - Australia
James Courant - USA

Also, Giorgio Bongiovanni.

He is the man with the stigmata's and the visitations at Fatima and also the 7th insight that the Pope and church leaders have wanted suppressed for so long, now it is being revealed. Amazing and very spiritual person he radiates a golden light around him. You do not have to be psychic to see.

TO BE CONFIRMED:

Stan Deyo
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UFO Sightings over Arizona

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
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Subject: UFO Sightings over Arizona

UFO sightings in PV, other areas

Despite reports, Luke Air Force Base
denies sending aircraft to investigate

By LAURA HINCHEY
The Daily Courier

A man reported sighting UFOs above a shopping center in Prescott Valley at about 8 p.m. Thursday night, according to Prescott Valley police. Peter B. Davenport, director for the National UFO reporting center in Seattle, said his organization's hot line received more than a dozen calls last night from several areas of Arizona regarding objects seen in the sky.

Davenport said the hot line began receiving calls for a sighting in the Paulden area, then Prescott, then the Glendale area and the last report was for objects seen over Tucson.

A man from Paulden called The Daily Courier and said he saw five diamond shaped objects with wispy tails around 8 p.m. last night. Upon hearing that other people have reported also seeing the objects, he said, "I'm glad to know I wasn't the only weirdo."

Kurt Milam, spokesman for the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office, said they received some calls last night from people who saw low-flying objects, but YCSO did not dispatch deputies to investigate.

A speaker at the Federal Aviation Administration said they had only received calls from people wanting to know if any UFOs had been sighted.

An astronomer called into the hot line office and told them he saw the UFOs in northern Phoenix, five of them with lights.

According to the hot line speaker, Luke Air Force Base apparently sent two jets last night to intercept the UFOs. The pilots recorded the objects on camera, and returned to base. Allegedly one pilot was shaken, and the base was locked down for the night.

Media liaison at Luke Air Force Base Sgt. Rolla Suttmiller said no aircraft were sent out and there was no lock-down, adding that the cameras on the aircraft's only take pictures of targets during practice.

She said the base received no calls Thursday night regarding UFO sightings. "We do not respond to something like this," she said. "And we do not fly in the evening."

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'Alien Interrogation'?

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From: Mike Bessee <bessee@spiritone.com>
Subject: Alien Interrogation ??????????????

Hello All,

Thursday night, Friday morning - Art Bell's "AM Coast To Coast" - Sean David Morton interview -

During the 3rd, or 4th, hour Morton described an upcoming documentary film being produced by Jeff Broadstreet that includes a sequence of film allegedly taken from an Area 51 archive that depicts the apparent telepathic interrogation of an EBE - this videotape is reportedly of 1996 vintage!!!!!!

I have yet to replay the recording I made of the interview, but I believe the videotape was said to have been taken from behind a two-way mirror of a darkened interrogation room. The interrogation was directed by an Air Force General (designated by the brass stars on the epaulets of the uniform) through an apparent "medium" (described as a man wearing a rumpled dark suit). The General would ask the questions of the man in the suit, he would reach up and rub his forehead and then give the answer to the general's question, giving the impression that the interrogation was being conducted telepathically.

Beyond the General and the man in the suit there is a being described as having a large head and very large eyes, and an extremely pointed protruding chin likened to the small end of a gourd. He appears to be in some sort of physical distress, later described as appearing to be terrified. The EBE is hooked up to some type of device similar to a heart monitor, and at one point appears to have a seizure during which a red foam appears to ooze from his mouth.

Two apparent medical attendants come into view, one of whom wipes away the red foam with gauze and then both appear to be treating him. END OF FILM.

The film was allegedly spirited away from the facility by someone actually pulling the video tape from the cartridge and wrapping it around their hand and then replacing the actual video cartridge so its disappearance would not be obvious.

***** DOES ANYONE ON THIS LIST RECOGNIZE THIS ACCOUNT AS SOMETHING THEY HAVE PREVIOUSLY HEARD?

***** HAS ANYONE HEARD OF JEFF BROADSTREET OR KNOW OF THE PROJECT HE MAY BE WORKING ON?

Morton states that this video has been viewed by a Hollywood special effects producer named Criswell (???? I think) and also by Bob Dean who reportedly cried at the screening.

If this video is REAL I would think this "public" announcement by Morton may in fact be a massive security breach for those involved with the production -OR- This is the kick-off for the rumor mill buildup for the next "ALIEN AUTOPSY"/Santilli type freak sideshow.

If you've heard this account previously, or a similar variation, please

'Alien Interrogation'?

forward any information.

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From: xalium@netwrx.net
To: edwards@rmi.net (TIM EDWARDS)
Subject: Mass Sightings in Arizona
Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 20:37:28 EST

On March 13th 1997 a very unusual event occurred over Arizona and thousands of people were witness to it.

As stated in a early post from Bill Hamilton, we were out doing a field investigate about a local sighting. The man, who wishes only to be named as "Steve" was claiming to have been seeing UFOs every night since March 10, 1997. The sightings were taking place between 9-10 P.M. Steve has captured what he was seeing on videotape on three separate nights. He invited us over to see this for ourselves and we gladly went to investigate.

Needless to say the large bright orange objects did appear during the time Steve predicted and I captured them on videotape. This night there were 5 orange balls instead of 1 or 2 as usually spotted. Four of these orange balls appeared one at a time and formed nearly a straight line. The sighting lasted under 10 minutes and was really exciting. We seen this at about 9:45-10:00 P.M.

I would say about a dozen people were coming in and out of Steve's house as they witnessed the lights. Among the witnesses were my girlfriend Rhonda and UFO research/author Bill Hamilton. Bill probably had one of the best views of the sighting. I was busy trying to document the lights and mostly was looking thru a B/W viewfinder while trying to keep my balance while standing on a ledge to tape it. Its was under tree top level (viewing perspective) and may have went behind the mountain next to the Gila Indian Resevation. Bill Hamilton had seen some of this thru the spotting scope probably had the best look at it. Also noted was air traffic was heavy that night with jets and helicopters in the sky constantly Infact a small aircraft was seen by us flying possibly over the 4 objects and was captured on video. One pilot reported as he took off from Sky Habor Airport he looked up and seen them above him. He contacted the Skyhabor and asked about the objects. Skyhabor reported that they had no objects on radar in that area. I would like to add that there most likely was dozens of pilots that had seen these lights as they were seen directly over Phoenix and later over the south area, heading back to Phoenix area.

The next day we found out that our group that had seen and videotaped the objects that night weren't the only ones who witnessed it. Something had cruised all over Arizona that night as of now the details are vague on times and locations. Phoenix, Tucson, Prescott, Glendale, Tempe, Scottsdale, Paulden, and Ahwatukee have reported UFO sightings that night.

Details are also sketchy as on exactly how many videotapes were made. I know for certain of 3 but its appears on the local news there may have been more. One of the shots from the news shows the lights of part of the Phoenix valley with 3 lights in a row. Others showed 5, 7, 8. Each time the video would run someone would have it with more objects in a

row.

Nearly every news channel in town was running the story as the "top story" of Phoenix. Many of the news stations had called nearly every UFO researcher in town asking for information and interviews. Stations were competing with each other to out scoop the other station with better footage or witnesses. The stations were reporting that "thousands" of people had witnessed the March 14 sighting.

It was also reported that the local military had no explanation for the sightings and also reports or military claims they were parachute flares. Speculation and rumors went wild as most people wanted a Earthly explanation for the sighting. I had concluded that because of the alignment of the objects (four in my video 6-8 in others) that it would be impossible to launch flares and align them in this fashion. Taken this theory combined with the fact that these objects were seen over a 2 hour period that spanned well over 200 miles. Most important was they didn't look like any kind of flare.

I am going to be watching that area for a while since the ufo activity may return as it started with 4 days in a row. Also for those interested I will post images for the videos on the OVNI Chapterhouse web site on March 15.

Tom King

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1st Annual UFO Conference Long Island, NY

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It's Just 2.5 Miles of Yarn

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c The Associated Press

By MARCIA DUNN
CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - For nearly a year, America's ``other space agency'' - the super-secretive National Reconnaissance Office - has been monitoring a bright, white object streaking through the night sky.

Don't fret: It's not a UFO. It's 2 1/2 miles of knitting yarn.

The single strand of reinforced acrylic yarn has been orbiting Earth, unwound, since last June.

The National Reconnaissance Office is intrigued by the possibility of using tethers to connect clusters of small satellites so they can communicate, much like a computer network.

Other tantalizing applications: using tethers to power spacecraft by generating electricity as the conductive cords sweep through Earth's magnetic field, to propel spacecraft into different orbits and to drop experiments from a space station.

This is the longest-lasting space tether yet, a \$4 million experiment to demonstrate the motion and survivability of tethers in low Earth orbit, littered with micrometeoroids as well as space junk.

It's also the first unclassified, ongoing space project in the 36-year history of the National Reconnaissance Office.

The NRO typically flies spy satellites.

``It's really fantastic to call people up on the phone and say, 'Hi, I'm Scott Larrimore and I'm with the NRO and I'd like you to track my spacecraft. It catches a lot of open mouths,''' said Larrimore, an Air Force captain who is program manager for the tether experiment.

Still, the NRO has some things to be closemouthed about.

The NRO refuses to say how or when the shoestring-like tether was rocketed into orbit or how or when its next tether experiment will fly. Until December, all NRO launches were classified for so-called national security reasons.

What it will say, on the record, is this:

The Tether Physics and Survivability experiment, called Tips, was ejected from a classified military satellite on June 20, 1996, into a 635-mile-high orbit that swings as far north as Alaska and as far south as Chile's Cape Horn. A few hours later, the yarn - all 2 1/2 miles - was unreeled from a spool. The tether, which weighs 12 pounds, was bowed and swung like a jump rope, but eventually straightened and became more perpendicular to Earth.

Nine months later, the yarn still is orbiting Earth, intact. The NRO knows so because of ground-based laser, radar and telescope observations. Amateur astronomers also keep unofficial tabs on the tether. (It's visible with binoculars on a clear night, although you need to know exactly where and when to look.)

Tips has outlived its predecessors by months. NRO officials say if the tether isn't broken by a micrometeoroid or other debris, it could orbit for as long as 27 years before plunging through the atmosphere and burning up.

The last time a tether flew, aboard space shuttle Columbia in February 1996, the 12-mile conductive cord snapped within five hours because of an electric discharge. The satellite-on-a-string drifted away like a lost balloon. On the first flight of the \$400 million NASA-Italian Space Agency system, aboard Atlantis in 1992, a protruding bolt caused the tether to jam a mere 840 feet out.

Despite all the trouble, the two missions proved electricity could be generated by a tether system - easy power for spacecraft. And the unintended severing of the tether demonstrated that the higher of two objects goes up when a tether is cut and the lower one goes down slightly - a fuel-free way to boost spacecraft into longer-lasting orbits.

A shuttle, for example, could depart from the future international space station via a tether. Once that tether is cut, the shuttle would drop and the station would rise - a win-win situation.

NASA successfully flew three simpler and cheaper tethers on unmanned Delta rockets in the early 1990s. The third test ended abruptly, however, when the 12-mile line was severed, most likely by a micrometeoroid, just three days and 17 hours after it was unreeled.

The only other orbiting tethers to date: 100-foot cords linking manned capsules and Agena boosters during Gemini 11 and 12 in 1966.

NASA's next shot at a tether? Not until 1999 and most definitely not on a space shuttle, where astronaut safety is paramount. The space agency dumped a tether experiment that was to have flown on Discovery this July.

``Things have really been ramped back because of the squeeze on the budget and the bad experience we've had with tethers,'' said NASA project manager Jim Harrison.

Added astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman, who flew on both tethered-satellite missions: ``It's an emotional impact. What can you say? It would have been better if it hadn't broken.''

Unlike NASA, the NRO wanted as plain a tether system as possible.

The 2 1/2 miles of white yarn is wrapped in braided Spectra 1000, a tough, white fiber used in bulletproof vests and fish lines. The resulting nonconductive cord is about one-tenth of an inch thick.

On either end of the Tips tether is an aluminum, hexagonal box covered with 18 laser reflectors. The box containing the NASA-donated unreeling device and long-dead electronics has a mass of 83 pounds. The other box is 23 pounds.

The names of the boxes: Ralph and Norton, respectively.

Remember Ralph Kramden and Ed Norton of ``The Honeymooners?''

``It tickled my funny bone and I got away with it,'' said Bill Purdy, program manager for the Naval Research Laboratory, which designed and managed the Tips experiment for the NRO.

The NRO and NRL aren't the only ones picking up where NASA left off.

The engineer who developed the Tips tether, Joe Carroll of Tether Applications in Chula Vista, Calif., has a 22-mile cord that's supposed to ride on a European Ariane 5 rocket later this year. He's also working on a tethered capsule that might be used to return experiments from the future international space station.

And Rob Hoyt of Tethers Unlimited in Seattle is working on a fishnet stocking-type tether. Why fishnet? If one string breaks, the tether still holds.

Hoyt's most far-flung project: rotating tethers that work like a

bola to hurl payloads from Earth orbit to the moon.

As for the space elevator envisioned by science fiction writer Arthur C. Clarke, lifting people and cargo to geosynchronous orbit 22,300 miles up, that's farfetched - for now.

No material currently exists that's strong enough, yet affordable, for such a long, long tether.

``You get on an elevator and you push a button to go to geo,'' Carroll said. ``That's the 10-millionth floor. That's going to take a while.''

A brief look at the eight orbiting tethers to date:

September 1966: 100-foot Dacron cord links manned Gemini 11 capsule and Agena booster.

November 1966: 100-foot Dacron cord links manned Gemini 12 capsule and Agena booster.

August 1992: 12-mile conductive tether with satellite on end jams 840 feet out while being unreeled from space shuttle Atlantis.

March 1993: 12 1/2-mile tether launched on Delta rocket, intentionally cut two hours after being unreeled and re-enters atmosphere and burns up.

June 1993: One-third-mile conductive tether launched on Delta rocket, orbits for 1 1/2 months to two months before re-entering atmosphere and burning up.

March 1994: 12 1/2-mile tether launched on Delta rocket, severed three days and 17 hours after being unreeled, most likely by micrometeoroid. Remaining tether and booster segment orbit for 59 days before re-entering atmosphere and burning up.

February 1996: 12-mile conductive tether with satellite on end breaks while being unreeled from space shuttle Columbia. Tethered satellite orbits for 23 days before re-entering atmosphere and burning up.

June 1996: 2 1/2-mile tether ejected into orbit from classified military satellite, still intact and flying.

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UFO ROUNDUP

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March 16, 1997
Editor: Joseph Trainor

MAJOR UFO FLAP GRIPS
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

On Tuesday, March 10, 1997, at 9:15 p.m., Steve Blandings and his wife were at their home in Ahwatukee, Arizona, a suburb of Phoenix near Sky Harbor Airport, about 3 miles (5 kilometers) west of Interstate Highway 10 and just south of Chandler Boulevard. The southward-facing balcony offers a panoramic view of the South Mountains and the Gila River Indian Reservation.

"I noticed a bright yellow light in the southwest sky over the Gila River reservation," Steve told the ROUNDUP. "It stayed in the same place for about 20 minutes. I called my wife outside to the second story balcony, and the light moved down on the horizon from its position at about 20 degrees to the horizon, below and left of Orion's belt."

"Five minutes later, the light was back again. We got our binoculars and saw that it was a glowing orange sphere. I then got out video camera and taped it for about 10 minutes while it wildly oscillated." The UFO also appeared to be "spinning or rotating."

The following night, Wednesday, March 11, the Blandings and another couple checked the southern sky at 9 p.m. "My wife saw it appear in the same place (Gila River reservation)," Steve added. "Then a second one appeared. Some Air Force planes came in low on the horizon. As soon as the planes got near, the spheres disappeared. My wife got about 10 seconds (of videotape) of one of the objects. This time (they were) perfectly round, while last night, the top and bottom were flat. The second one (UFO) seemed like a black dot in the middle of the spinning object."

On Thursday night, March 13, precisely at 9 p.m., a UFO appeared over the Gila River reservation. "It looked the same as the first night," Steve reported. "Many neighbors came over to our house to look from our balcony and viewed the UFO." Onlookers saw "flashes of white light as it crept closer to the horizon at about 10 degrees. It came around 9 p.m., the same as the previous nights, and appeared in just about the same southwestern area of the sky. It would appear and disappear and stopped doing stuff at about 10 p.m."

With a little help from this newsletter, Steve got in touch with William Hamilton, assistant director of Arizona MUFON. Bill Hamilton showed up at the house on Friday night, March 14, along with UFO videographer Tom King and Dr. Steven Greer of CSETI.

"After a 15 or 20 minute wait," Steve Blandings said, "the globe appeared low over the horizon, in the same spot as the previous night. We ran to get Tom's video camera and telescope and caught a little of the object before it disappeared behind the (South) mountains."

When the UFO reappeared, it brought along a few reinforcements.

"We thought it was over, but in 10 minutes, it appeared again along with five other friends. The six UFOs shaped themselves into a perfect line on the horizon for about five minutes and then dropped one by one. Tom caught it all on his video camera with various visual focus and zoom lens."

Midway through the sighting, Hamilton and King moved a couple of blocks to the south, which offered a better unimpeded view of the hovering UFOs.

"We were looking off toward the southwest when one of the mystery lights appeared," Hamilton said. "It was glowing a bright golden yellow unlike any flare or aircraft lights we have ever seen. When we saw them on the deserts of California, we called them 'orbs' as they appear to be spherical."

Between 10 p.m. and 2 a.m. on Saturday, March 15, "orange sphere" UFOs were reported flying over Prescott (population 20,005) and Tucson (population 330,600).

In Kingman (population 9,257), radio station KAAA 1230 AM allegedly aired a report claiming that "8 to 11 UFOs" had been seen "flying in a straight line over the town."

(Many thanks to Steve B., Bill Hamilton and David Grimes for this story.)

UFOs DOMINATE NIGHT SKY OVER COLORADO

On Friday, March 7, 1997, at 1:30 a.m., Nancy Brown, unable to sleep, rolled out of bed at her Aldasoro Ranch. The ranch is located on the Western Slope in rural San Miguel County, just north of Lone Cone mountain about 15 miles (24 kilometers) southwest of Telluride.

Looking toward the southwest, Mrs. Brown suddenly spotted an array of "flashing red and green lights."

"I saw five of them," she said, "They all looked the same except for the one that went over the house, which I saw the bottom of. That one had two circles (lights), one was red, the other light green, and they were circulating (revolving) and pulsating. It was really bright."

Mrs. Brown woke her husband and asked him to come and look. She asked if they might be planes. Mr. Brown reportedly replied, "No, they're too bright."

As the couple watched, the UFOs "home base" (mother ship) came over Miller Mesa. "There were other UFOs flying around it," Mrs. Brown said. "It was oval-shaped, like the size of a planet, with a red station pulsing in there," adding that their experience had the feel of being "real technical."

The Sheriff's Departments of Montrose and San Miguel counties reported no other UFO sightings in the area that night. (See the newspaper The Morning Sun for March 11, 1997.)

On Sunday, March 9, 1997, at 11 a.m., five people in Salida, Colorado (population 4870), 80 miles (128 kilometers) east of Telluride were stunned to see a "mother ship" UFO flying north through the San Luis Valley. The eyewitnesses-- Cheryl Edwards, Larry Chappell, Wade Swift, Ryan Swift and Cathy Rautelle, saw the object from three separate locations in Salida.

Witnesses described the UFO as "a large cylinder" with "a center light." The object was escorted by six triangular UFOs, three on each side, flying in a V formation. The scene looked something like this:

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On Friday, March 7, according to ufologist Tim Edwards, "a Venus-like object" was seen "north and east of town," near the ridge of Big Baldy Mountain (10,742 feet or about 3,200 meters). (Many thanks to Tim Edwards for the Salida update.)

CRYSTALLINE UFO LIGHT
SEEN NEAR DALLAS

On Thursday, March 13, 1997, at 9 p.m., Robert Caudee was driving through Arlington, Texas (population 160,123) midway between Dallas and Fort Worth when he "noticed a very bright light, crystal-white blinking light--strobe like. I watched the light as it went erratically towards the east. The movement was unlike any an airplane or helicopter might make. Between flashes, the light seemed to move from one point to another faster than usually seen with a typical aircraft. I followed but was unable to catch up with the light before it dropped near the Arlington Municipal Airport."

"I quickly drove to the airport parking lot," he added, "to look for a plane that had recently landed but (he) saw nothing." (Email Interview)

GREEN FIREBALL PACES CAR
IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

On Friday, March 14, 1997, at 3:10 p.m., Michael Caledonian was driving south on Highway 101 in Eureka, California (population 24,153). As he drove along the eastern shore of Humboldt Bay, heading towards Bayview, he "looked to the west and saw an electric green ball of fire flying alongside me" about 1,250 feet (405 meters) away. The UFO "was traveling not much faster than I was (75 mph). There was a green trail at least ten times as long as the ball, and, after several seconds, it (the UFO) blinked out without ascending or descending."

"If it was not ET, then it was military," he added, "It was definitely strange." (Email Interview)

LARGE DOMED SAUCER FLIES
OVER PORTO ALEGRE

On Friday, February 28, 1997, a large domed gray-

silver saucer with an array of blinking colored lights appeared over Gravatai, a suburb of Porto Alegre (population 1.8 million), the capital of Brazil's southernmost state of Rio Grande do Sul. The UFO appeared at 10 p.m. and was described as "a flashing object, the size of a small airplane, half-moon shaped."

"I get shivers every time I remember it," said mechanic Fabriano Vargas, 22, who, with some friends, saw the UFO from the Parque Garibaldi, close to the Taquara Highway.

Cecilia Flores, Vargas's fiancée, was the first to see it, but she thought it was the Hale-Bopp comet. She called everyone's attention to it.

Residents of the Rua do Lago, in the Monte Belo section of Gravatai, saw the UFO at the same time.

"It was making a final maneuver, looping and disappearing close to Morro do Coco," said Julio Souza, 21, "It vanished after a burst of glaring radiance." (See the newspaper Zero Hora of Porto Alegre, R.S. for March 2, 1997, page 44.)

The saucer next appeared over the Rio Guiaba, just north of downtown Porto Alegre. It flew south parallel to the Rua Marechal Floriano Peixoto, then further south towards the Avenida des Andre de Rocha and then east towards the Avenida Independencia, where it was seen by thousands.

Witnesses included Helio J. Zamal and his girlfriend, who were waiting for a traffic light to change when they spied the saucer. "I noticed a large number of lights in the sky, at our right, not more than 50 meters (165 feet) above ground." Lights were "mostly white, some green, some yellow, some red, all put together as if it were an outdoor panel in the sky. Then I noticed that my friend--she was looking up at it, too, and I made some comment. Suddenly, it started to move. It made short and fast moves, stopping and changing directions abruptly. Then I knew it was really something unconventional, because I was trying to convince myself it was merely an advertising device. We began to follow the object as it moved and watched it for three minutes more. Once in a while, the lights turned off and we could see against the sky the silhouette of the object, round, flat, with a hint of dome on top."

From Independencia, the saucer flew due north, along the Rua Conceiao, and left the city. (Many thanks to Helio J. Zamal for this report.)

UFO VISITS CANAL COUNTRY IN THE NETHERLANDS

On Tuesday, March 11, 1997, at 7:30 p.m., Robert van Troon and Manuela Hoogstratten went for a stroll along the Galgerwaardstraat in the village of Oosterwijk, on the De Linge River near Leedam, 55 kilometers (35 miles) southeast of Amsterdam.

"We went for a walk, and it was a starry evening," Manuela reported. "So I looked towards the stars and saw a very bright star. At first I thought it was Venus, but then it moved. It moved very strangely, very quickly."

At first, the UFO moved north, over IJsselstein, then west towards Gouda. Manuela estimated the UFO as "three meters (10 feet) in diameter" because "it was one millimeter at arm's length."

The UFO was still hovering above the canals east of Gouda when the couple went indoors at 9 p.m. (Email Interview)

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>>Subject: [Fwd: Re: Mass sighting in Phoenix]

>>This report on the Phoenix mass sightings was forwarded to me by Fran
>>Ridge of the UFO Filter Center and Project Lunascan.

>>Jerry Washington
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>>UFO FILTER CENTER MESSAGE

>>This report, compliments Greg Long -- greglong@proaxis.com:

>>This report just in from Tom King. Orange globes or large balls of light
>>have been videotaped and reported across Arizona since last monday. At
>>least 3 videos were taken last night between 8:00 to 10:00 pm and one
>>shown on tv showing 6 in lined up in a row. Reports have been fielded by
>>one airline pilot but did not show up on radar. News report 1000s of
>>witnesses. It is already being called the most documented mass sighting
>>the last 10 years.

Was this reported in newspapers, and TV? If so, pls post call sign of
radio, TV or newspaper name. Any more information appreciated. I produce a
radio show in New York City, and am very interested. Thanks.

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Wingfield Bytes

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>Subject: RE: Forged photo of Saucer at Aviano/Fortean Times
>From: MOMUS@uk.pipeline.com (George Wingfield)
> (by way of Erik <Beckjord@transbay.net>)

Oh dear! It's very sad to see that GW is still possessed by his bitterness to Rob Irving while the world and the rest of us have moved on.

His remarks concern a picture originally published in Fortean Times (#84, Dec 1995) as part of Irving's article "Boom! Time for UFO's" with the caption: "Spacecraft or Spyplane?" with the additional qualification "computer enhanced".

We could have claimed this was a satire on the credulous who believe everything they read ... but that would be disingenuous. During the rush of publication an unfinished caption slipped through. Paul Sieveking and I have no interest in creating or perpetuating a hoax or fake material and GW is completely wrong in attributing such motives to us. Why should we be interested in doing that? In my 26 years of Fortean researching it is fake material that occupies the most time as the dubious has to be identified and cleared away before real progress can be made. Imagine, then, my regret as the consternation caused by this editorial oversight.

I have since, apologised in FT and, I hope, given explanation to any who needed it. Not being obsessed with the minutiae of Area 51 and other UFO-related conspiracies I did not recognise the shape in the hanger in the photo Rob Irving handed me. I am naturally sceptical about the subject anyway and did not interpret the photo as proof of anything. In fact, I assumed the photo, which Rob had indeed declared he had made, was an illustration to go with the story, similar to countless illustrations which we commission to go with stories which have elements from the story in them but which could not be construed as literal representations of anything.

George calls my apology at the time "mealy-mouthed". It is true that I should have anticipated the confusion that would result, but hadn't and so my brevity was the result of being unaware of the extent of the problem rather than reluctance. I apologise, once again, whole-heartedly and unreservedly, to everyone who was misled.

However, when George, via his conduit (Beckjord), heads his accusations 'To three lists, re Fortean Times' gullibility ("anything, as long as it sells....")' he is veering towards slander... and again in repeating the untrue allegation that we deliberately faked the picture or connived with Irving to create and publish a faked picture with the intention of deceiving people.

Can George honestly say he has not looked after the viability of his publication? It is what an editor is obliged to do ... but it is another thing to impugn that we would sacrifice the principles of accuracy in reporting that we have worked hard to maintain for nearly 25 years. George's statements are wrong and we are baffled as to why he keeps on making them. He would be better off if he paid more attention to the veracity of the photos he himself publishes or endorses in The Cerealogist.

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"Metaphysical speculations are attempts to think unthinkably,
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To: updates@globalserve.net
From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Subject: earth lights or spacecraft?

Hi Errol, hi all,

I have mentioned the video that Tom King is getting out west and the video footage that the 'Elders' have compiled from the Mexico sightings on several occasions. The Mexican footage has been analysed at the University of Mexico and deemed 'genuine' (not hoaxed.) That's one of the main reasons that I bring it up so often.

I am including two single frame captures, one from Mexico, and one from Tom King in Arizona. I hope that a few of our more expert and enthusiastic UFOlogists take the time to peruse these images. If taken at face value they depict what appear to be quite solid, metallic aircraft of a design that is completely (excuse the pun) 'alien' to anything that we humans have put into the skies. Uncle Sams' secret projects being the sole possible exception. But then, why would Uncle test experimental aircraft over the largest city on the planet, (and in another country yet?) Mexico City.

I've never quite gotten a handle on the belief that because photos and video can be faked that all photos or video are therefore suspect and inadmissible as evidence. With todays modern techniques it is possible to determine if there is an actual object present or if it is simply some sort of aberration.

In all of the times that I have referred to it, no one has ever responded to, or addressed this truly remarkable photographic evidence. Yes, evidence! When a credible University lab determines that the images are of actual solid objects and not "special effects" or some other computer generated contrivance, the video then becomes acceptable evidence when taken in conjunction with other corroborative facts/witnesses. I'm not implying that video alone is proof positive, but it can be strong evidence for the physical reality of these 'unknown craft.'

The crafts shown in both frame captures appear to be identical! The implications are quite serious and compelling. I hope that they aren't dismissed out of hand because of any preconceived notions or prejudices. If anyone is interested, I can also post video frame captures of two other identical crafts, one of which appeared over Sao Paulo Brazil, 1991, and the other was captured on the security cameras from Nellis Airforce Base, 1995 here in the good ole USA.

Even Errol who rarely sticks his out from behind the curtain was impressed enough with this video (Voyagers of the Sixth Sun) to recommend/endorse it openly on the list. (In answer to someone's e-mail)

How many of you have made an attempt to secure a copy and view it?

Although the controversy still rages over the Santilli film, these video documents are every bit as challenging, startling, and potentially earth shaking. Yet not even one word is ever mentioned about the events that are being recorded daily in Mexico and our own US. What's up? Everybody is so busy rehashing old cases that the current chain of spectacular sightings is being ignored. Man, screw what happened twenty years ago, there's plenty going on right now as we speak. Teams of scientists and any related experts should be investigating and recording these events. they, are ignoring it. Instead it's left to amateurs *who do the work*, and they are then in turn ignored. Why? Because the Bible of science says that this simply cannot be, and therefore it must be_ 'something else!' Nothing but closed-minded, protect my own ass and reputation Bull***t!

Worth a look see folks. Don't procrastinate over this one, I promise you a unique experience whether you believe in ET's and their 'starcars' or not.

For all musically enabled skeptics, dust off those old guitars and sing along with me to the tune of,...

"The times they are a changing"

G-Em-D-G (bridge: D-C-G-D)

"...cause your old world is rapidly fading. So you better learn to swim or you'll sink like a stone,...for the times they are a changing!" (Lyrics & music, Bob Dylan)

Enjoy the pix.

John Velez, (Die hard Dylan fan)

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TUFOP - The UFO Page?

From: **Masinaigan@aol.com**
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 13:23:26 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 21:40:54 -0500
Subject: TUFOP - The UFO Page?

Just a quick question, EBK.
Does anyone know what happened to
The UFO Page, aka TUFOP?
I just got a notice from URL-minder
that the page was no longer operating.

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Pat's Back

From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 97 14:31:31 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 22:29:10 -0500
Subject: Pat's Back

Hello Errol & All,

My mail seems now to be working ok. Server had PMS.

I have put some experimental real video on my page.
You can see a humorous treatment of the STS-80 UFOS
there. If you don't have real video yet than go get it at:
<http://www.real.com>

The STS-80 video deserves some very serious study.
I have found it rather astonishing. As a quicktime movie
it can be manipulated and when you run it fast the 3D'ness
comes out and it's apparent that all hell broke loose at
that time. Either our guys have spy satellites that go into
geosynchronous orbit at 15 - 100 miles or some of what
is seen is genuine UFOS of a controlled nature, and you know
what that implies.

If anyone wants a high quality QT movie of this let me know
and I'll make one available for download. Let me know your
platform. If a Mac then the size will be much smaller than
for windows.

BTW - Thanks to Erik Beckjord for sending me the STS-80
Video. You can hear his narrative on the real video
STS-80 clip on my page. Oh yeah, from my page it streams
but if you want the clip then: <http://www.republic.net/nasaufo.rm>
will download it to you and you can play it better that way.

~Pat~

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Wingfield Bytes

From: RobIrving@aol.com
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 11:44:10 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 21:26:22 -0500
Subject: Wingfield Bytes

Re:

> Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 17:21:18 GMT
> To: ufobfmuseum@value.net
> From: MOMUS@uk.pipeline.com (George Wingfield)
> (by way of Erik <Beckjord@transbay.net>)
> Subject: RE: Forged photo of Saucer at Aviano/Fortean Times

> To three lists, re Fortean Times' gullibility.....
> ("anything, as long as it sells....")

> There was at that stage no suggestion that the photo was a forgery and no
> clue as to how it had been produced.

It's strange that George has less of a problem purporting 'phenomena' in his own magazine, The Cerealogist, that he knows is of human origin.

> "Computer enhanced" has a very
> different meaning to "computer created".

This is accepted, and if fault is the real issue here it lies with me. FT based the caption on what I'd written on the back of the print. The image was originally intended to be shown as part of an exhibition, in an entirely different context; as such, a comment on flying saucer images generally. This is not so strange an idea. It's interesting how such issues as the malleability of perception and truth are generally avoided within the UFO community. If I had actually intended to deceive, I might have come up with some cock & bull story featuring some untraceable USAF officer as the source of the image. This would not have been difficult, nor too far removed from the norm, and perhaps everyone would have been happier.

> Naturally it caused quite a stir with several UFO researchers, especially
> in Italy, who assumed that it was genuine.

This is essentially untrue. The one researcher who took the trouble to check the facts with me, Italy's Eduordo Russo, received a detailed explanation shortly after the magazine appeared. He immediately circulated this and it was published by the Italian press. One Italian ufologist - Russo's main rival - even falsely claims to have interviewed me on the matter himself, and has taken this story (and my picture) on the local lecture circuit. Other stories I have heard and read suggest that my explanation was in fact a ruse and that I am "being leaned upon" to tell it, presumably making the subject genuine. Now, where have I heard that before?

> Only much later did Irving and Fortean Times admit that the picture was
> produced using 'Photoshop' computer software to digitise and combine
> two images: one of an open hangar for jet fighters at Aviano and one of a
> model UFO --the "Bob Lazar Sports Model" -- which had been sold by
> Gloria Wingfield.

Notwithstanding my correspondence with Russo, of course FT responded much later, as at that time the magazine was bi-monthly. I fail to see what George stands to gain from repeatedly mentioning this, but the model was not purchased from George's wife. It was given to me as a birthday present by John Lundberg, who tells me that he bought it elsewhere.

> Despite Fortean Times's mealy-mouthed apology at that time, claiming that
> no deception was intended, there were quite a few people at the Fortean
> Times UnConvention in London last April who were far from satisfied with
> what appeared to have been deliberate trickery.

While Percy's 'hoaxed moon photos' presentation was particularly well-received. Interesting. But Wingfield describes the goings-on at last year's UnConvention as if he was there. He wasn't. There was no public mention of the image, and no-one voiced their 'dissatisfaction' to me, so his statement amounts to little more than idle gossip. As for intended 'deceit', much as George may wish it, repeating these same allegations does not make earlier explanations any less adequate.

Rob Irving

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'Alien Interrogation'?

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 17 Mar 97 18:03:42 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 08:47:36 -0500
Subject: 'Alien Interrogation'?

>From: "SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL, INC." <skywatch@mail.phoenix.net>
>Organization: SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL
>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 19:08:18 -0700
>Subject: Skywatch: Alien Interrogation ??????????????

I first heard of this supposed video of an interrogation of an alien about six months ago. There was a bit of chat about it on the CompuServe Encounters and UFO forums at the time, but no one ever got any confirmation that the video really exists.

I do not know Mr. Morton, so I can't judge his veracity first hand, but most people I know do not take him seriously.

Bob Shell

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Re: Arizona Sightings

From: **Graham William Birdsall** <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 14:31:42 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 08:45:44 -0500
Subject: Re: Arizona Sightings

>From: "SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL, INC." <skywatch@mail.phoenix.net>
>Organization: SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL
>Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:22:41 -0700
>Subject: Skywatch: Re: Arizona Sightings

>FYI---

>The UFO Reporting Center says it received numerous calls from around
>Prescott and Paulden, AZ last night of triangles. Reports were also
>received from Glendale, Tempe, and Phoenix. There have been 3 Daylight
>Disc sightings in the past 2 weeks over West Phoenix --- we have become
>part of the worldwide wave of sightings! Following is a brief report
>forwarded (upon request) to the National UFO Reporting Center:

Dear Colleagues,

This is a late posting Monday night (17 March '97) but important.

I would be grateful for any feedback relating to flying triangle activity/reports on or around Friday night (7 March) and early Saturday morning (8 March - 3.00am GMT approximately).

Best regards,

Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]

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Alfred's Odd Ode #111

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 16:15:06 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 08:47:02 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #111

Apology to MW #111 (For March 17, 1997)

If you want a shrill confession, or it=92s just a strange obsession,
Then the alien view is not a tool for you.
But if you wonder at precession, and embrace and trust your lessons,
Then the view is sure a tool that you can use.

You can end run the conundrum, you can eat naught but the sweet plums.
But you=92ll do it with a paying the harsh price.
The alien view ain=92t pretty, and in fact is downright shitty,
It can disrespect your values, . . .that ain=92t nice.

Remember the hay ride they once called apartheid,=20
Or our own institution of peculiar infusion, instituted here United
Stateside?
Forget that the tendrils of the vicious white grindel
Works today at high levels with torpedo, and broadside . . .

It=92s finding your values are false, that you may be a louse.
Your values =96 an abomination of true gods.
You=92re betwixt indecision, and your own self derision.
You find you are the road that you trod.

And you=92re all filled with deep potholes, and imprecise pay tolls.
Your asphalt is worn to soft dirt.
Your shoulder is crumbly, and your signs are all mumbly.
You got as you give, and you hurt.

We infect all our kids with our prejudiced bids
Though their minds are a promised new venue!
We have the new info, but it hurts, and offends so
We order old ways from the tired old menu! =20

I won=92t cast dispersion on a school to teach Sturgeon
He=92s the reason I=92m the way I am today.
The way that Ted wrote opened clouds with a stroke,
And the hate =96 well, it just went away.

I have some old posts that explain (or all most)
What it means to cop to "watchers" in the sky.
They watch some live it up, as some can=92t drink from a cup.
Much too weak, some just waste away to die.

And what would I do, but just give =91lem a "hey you"!
"It=92s the man who keeps you hungry and diseased."
"It=92s a man with the gold that has stolen his soul"
He=92s got your sandwich, attends your college, cures your sneeze!

Beneath generic steeples he says I don=92t understand his people.
And he rubs expensive cashmere =91neath his palm. . .
He is royaled with fine oils, insuring other=92s painful boils.
He=92ll call his agent, read the dailies, breath a psalm.

And what of this soldier, who saw a sad warrior
Put the gun to the privates head -- pull the trigger.
A red headed major, in that country a mad stranger --
He made it happen, and was swollen much bigger.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

It happened. It is happening. It will happen. The only thing to stand in its way is a -- "Hey! . . .wait a minute!"

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake. "Hey -- wait a minute"!

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The Crop Circle Connector, #13

From: **Mark Fussell** <mjfussell@marque.demon.co.uk>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 23:49:11 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 08:56:02 -0500
Subject: The Crop Circle Connector, #13

Welcome to The Crop Circle Connector Mailing List #13.
(Members 1190 on 17-3-97)

WHATS NEW! on the Crop Circle Connector.

Follow the link on the main page.....

Conferences.

UFO Kent 97.
The Lido, Cliftonville, Margate.

Presented by Astrasearch and the East Kent UFO Research Unit
Date: April 26th 1997.

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Oregan's Sri Yantra. A Gift of the Circlemakers.

A report on this extraordinary formation.

This report can be found on iyles Homepage.

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William Bryant's "Speed of the Bols" Analysis.

Further investigations, and indepth analysis on the Oliver's
Castle Video.

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UFO leaves tWO Crop Circles in Brazil.

A report from CPI from Paul Anderson, on a UFO landing that
occured on 27th February 1997 just outside of Santo Angelo.

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First Crop Circles of 1997 in Holland.

Occured on 18th of January, North of Amsterdam, 3 circles
in grassfields.

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New Dutch Crop Circle Book: GRAANCIRKELS by Rudi Klijnstra.

The deeper side to the phenomenon!

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Great A&E and Discovery Channel Crop Circles Hoax show.

A look at the continuing debunking media with regard to the Crop Circle Phenomenon. Important reading! By Freedy Silva.

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Bulletin 19: Oliver's Castle Video - Yet More Hocus Pocus
Updated 17.03.97 By George Wingfield.

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All the best

Mark and Stuart

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Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 17 Mar 97 18:03:44 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 08:49:37 -0500
Subject: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth

>Date: Thu, 13 Mar 1997 19:16:07 -0500
>From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: The Manikin Who Fell to Earth
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>In January of 1996, you mentioned, "I expect to be able to inspect the
>actual film boxes in the near future".

>Were you led to believe the original boxes would be made available by
>the "cameraman", or that Ray still had them?

At the time I was led to believe that Ray still had the boxes, and I spent some considerable time arranging for a forensic document expert (one used by Christie's in London) to have a look at them. I was only after I had made the arrangements for the expert to have a look that I was told that they were not in Ray's possession.

As to the bit with Milson and the Danes, I was initially told that the edge code on the film was definitely from 1947 by Kodak people here in the USA. The problem was this misprint in the identification chart as I mentioned earlier. The guy in Denmark probably didn't know the chart had a misprint.

Bob

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Space 'UFOs' Identified?

From: **FS337211@Sol.YorkU.CA**
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 20:03:07 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 08:52:44 -0500
Subject: Space 'UFOs' Identified?

Lightning is familiar to all of us although its many forms may not be. Ball lightning was not recognised by science as a form of lightning until recently. A few years ago charged energy beams shooting out into space (Blue Jets and Red Sprites) was another form of lightning that has now been accepted by science as fact and not fiction. Now there are flying saucer shaped forms of lightning called ELVES ("Emissions of Light and Very low frequency perturbations due to Electromagnetic pulse Sources"). Could these new forms of lightning be what was recorded on video from the Space Shuttles during missions STS-37, STS-48, STS-80, etc.? Although the number of large lightning storms per year over a given location on Earth is small, the number seen from a spacecraft which orbits the Earth every 90 minutes and about 15 degrees longitude further east or west on the next orbit would be very many. These balls of light, beams of charged particles and now saucer shaped forms of lightning may turn out to be an answer to some UFO sightings. Further details and a picture of an ELVES (along with landing legs!) can be seen in the March/April 1997 issue of Final Frontier.

Any comments on how ELVES may be related to Earth Lights?

Nick Balaskas

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Pat's Everywhere!!!

From: pgb@padrak.com (Patrick Bailey)
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 20:28:59 -0800
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 09:11:51 -0500
Subject: Pat's Everywhere!!!

Happy St. Pat's Pat, Pat!

Dr. Patrick G. Bailey
President, Institute for New Energy
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Unidentified Triangular Aircraft

From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 20:46:30 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 09:06:16 -0500
Subject: Unidentified Triangular Aircraft

The following, recent posting to a military aircraft mailing list is reproduced with the authors permission.

I though it would be of interest to some subscribers.

I welcome any questions on my North Sea sighting, as I am of the opinion that too much is taken at face value in the black aircraft snark hunt. I think that the snark hunt has degenerated into an exercise in regurgitating the same old stories with little or no new research being done.

A bit about me. I work as a drilling technologist for a major oil field service company. I hold an Honours degree in Geology, with some engineering, geophysics and chemistry thrown in. I also did a post graduate course in systems analysis. I was a member of the Royal Observer Corps for 13 years and was a member of the ROC's aircraft recognition team for 12 of those years. In this field I was considered to be an expert and produced an aircraft recognition manual for the ROC.

You obviously know the sighting story, but I'll fill you in on what happened from my point of view. I was working in the Indefatigable field on the jack-up rig "Galveston Key" in August 1989. My colleague, Graeme Winton, went out on deck but returned immediately. He told me to "Have a look at this". We went outside and Graeme pointed skywards.

I had been at university with Graeme and he knew of my interest in aircraft. As far as Graeme was concerned it was a formation of aircraft and he reckoned I'd be interested. I looked up, saw the tanker and the F-111s, but was amazed to see the triangle.

I am trained in instant recognition, but this triangle had me stopped dead. My first thought was that it was another F-111, but there was no "gaps", it was too long and it didn't look like one (might sound strange but after a while doing aircraft recognition you get a feel for the shape of aircraft, what was called the "sit" in the past or what bird watchers refer to as "jizz".) My next thought was that it was an F-117, as the highly swept planform of the F-117 had just been made public. Again the triangle was too long and had no gaps.

After considering and rejecting a Mirage IV, I was totally out of ideas. Here was an aircraft, flying overhead, not too high and not particularly fast. A recognition gift and I was clueless. This was a new experience.

He asked me what was going on. I watched as the formation flew overhead and told him that the big one was a KC-135 Stratotanker, the two on the left were F-111 and that I didn't know what the fourth aircraft was. Graeme said "I thought you were an expert?". I said "I am". To which Graeme replied "Some expert". It was obvious to me that this aircraft was something dodgy.

I watched the formation for a minute or two and went back inside with Graeme. At the time I was writing the aircraft recognition manual and had a Danish Luftmelderkorpset "Flykendingsbog" in my briefcase. This is probably the best aircraft recognition book ever produced. I looked through it, but nothing matched. I then sketched what I had seen.

I sent this sketch to Peter Edwards, who was a Group Officer in the ROC and was also on the recognition team. We discussed what to do about it but decided that if it was reported through official channels, it would be at best rubbished, at worst lead to trouble. Having signed the Official Secrets Act I didn't want to jeopardise my position in the recognition team. So I kept my mouth shut. I told other members of the recognition team in the hope that they could shed some light on the subject.

On returning home I had a look through my book collection. The only aircraft which came close to matching what I had seen was a Handley Page HP115. It was not one of them.

Whether this aircraft was Aurora is debatable, my background precludes jumping to conclusions based on single piece of evidence. I wrote to Bill Sweetman after being sent an illustration from Janes Defence weekly which matched what I had seen. as an aside, I wrote to two other writers who did not reply. Bill reckons it was Aurora, AgentX reckons it was the FB-119. I don't know what it was. It is the only aircraft I have ever seen that I could not identify. Pete Edwards told Bill Sweetman that if I didn't know what this aircraft was, it isn't in any book.

I've been hunting this snark for almost 9 years now and have turned up some interesting stuff, mainly through my own efforts, but also by having looked in the most unusual places. Surfing websites might be cool, but talking to the people involved is a necessity.

As I said before, I welcome the healthy scepticism, but at least give me the opportunity to state my case.

Yours

Chris Gibson
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TUFOP - The UFO Page?

From: yogi@iadfw.net
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 05:12:18 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 09:15:24 -0500
Subject: TUFOP - The UFO Page?

> From: Masinaigan@aol.com
> Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 13:23:26 -0500 (EST)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> cc: Masinaigan@aol.com
> Subject: TUFOP

>
> Just a quick question, EBK.
> Does anyone know what happened to
> The UFO Page, aka TUFOP?
> I just got a notice from URL-minder
> that the page was no longer operating.

Try <http://www.geocities.com/Area51/7595/>

Regards,
Bill

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Faster Than Light...

From: **Peregrine Mendoza** <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
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The Duke of M. hopes you enjoy the following:

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1997-03-11 Scientific Correctness: Zippy Travel

Here is the report on our SCIENTIFIC CORRECTNESS SURVEY #2. The question was:

Is faster-than-light travel possible?

This survey drew an onslaught of opinions.

The vote was a landslide (72%) for the YES side. Thus, another controversy is put to rest. Henceforth, it will be scientifically correct to believe that faster-than-light travel is possible.

Opinions ranged from positive to negative, and from simple ("Yes") to hideously complex. While the results are interesting, the variety of methods used to obtain them is dazzling.

* * *

Some readers used fuzzy logic:

I have never really believed that light actually goes at the speed of light. Have we any proof? I worked out that it should go at root two times the speed of light (c) making the constant itself irrelevant.

--Graeme Winter

* * *

Other readers used higher-level fuzzy logic:

This is an interesting question, coincidentally I was driving through a Minnesota blizzard last week when my wife told me to slow down because I was 'over driving my headlights.' I was so excited I almost spilled my coffee because I thought that she meant I was traveling faster than the speed of light, but then I realized that she meant that because of the poor conditions, the stopping distance for my car was greater than my visibility.

--Don Berryman

* * *

One reader used tangential logic:

Since light has yet to dawn on school boards here in Texas, we are unable to answer this question.

--Julia Frugoli

* * *

Some took a theoretical bent:

Yes, but no matter what the destination, you always arrive at night.

--Dick Baker

My fraternity brother Charles Jones (MIT '63) created a faster-than-light vehicle in 1960. A beam of light is reflected in a mirror. Approaching the mirror, the light's velocity is (+)c. After reflection it is -c. Ergo at the instant of reflection, its velocity is 0. When the vehicle passes the mirror, it goes faster than light.

--A. D. Snider

* * *

Others relied on advanced theories:

Faster than light travel IS possible but only if you are facing backwards.

--Charles Belair

It depends on how fast the light is going.

--Michael Castleman

* * *

Some readers cited empirical evidence:

Of course. It is demonstrated every week in "Star Trek: The Next Generation". They also demonstrate crystal power, telepathy, reversal of the polarity of neutron fluxes in starboard power couplings, and other facets of modern science.

--Stephen Trier

No. No no no no no no. Most people think Star Trek has solved the problem of faster-than-light travel. I am much more fascinated by Star Trek's solution to the sound-in-a-vacuum problem.

--Karen Lingel

"Yes!" E-mail uses delivery through electrical circuits, therefore traveling at the speed of light (one of the reasons for its popularity over the historically traditional US Postal "Service"). America OnLine uses these same electrical circuits. It is well known that almost anything travels faster than AOL these days.

--G. Borochoff

* * *

Not everyone relied on intellectual arguments. Two readers, Charlie Cerf and Peter Thorp, sent in variants of the same classical argument:

There was a young lady called Bright
who could travel much faster than light.
She departed one day
in a relative way
and returned on the previous night

* * *

Practical experience, too, was useful in solving the question:

Of course faster-than-light travel is possible. However, the probability that your luggage will wind up at the wrong destination increases as the cube of the velocity.

--Bob O'Hara

Yes. Faster than light travel is possible and can be readily demonstrated by making the mistake of having two dates show up at your place at the same time. I've done this and witnessed first hand the flight, which happens so fast that you can't see it.

--P. Hughes

Yes, but tickets must be purchased at least three weeks in advance and a Saturday night stay is required.

--Kristina Pawlikowski

After my cat decided it was play time at 3 AM, he was forcefully accelerated from the bed. Quickly, his velocity reached the of light resulting in a mid-air white hot flash of spontaneous combustion (matter to energy.) Conversely, all internal energies (neuroelectrical, biochemical, etc.) were converted to matter. A strange ash covered the room, very similar to scoopable litter. The other possibility is that he landed on my camera equipment and has been hiding ever since.

--Don Copeland

* * *

Finally, one response defied categorization:

Of course, as a physics teacher I tell my students that faster-than-light travel is impossible, but that's just to crush their spirits.

--LaNelle Ohlhausen

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e: Dogfight Over Denmark

From: viggo.andersen@post3.tele.dk (Andersen, Viggo)
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 13:12:57 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 09:18:16 -0500
Subject: e: Dogfight Over Denmark

>Date: Wed, 12 Mar 1997 09:58:28 -0500
>From: Jerry Washington <skyeking@aye.net>
>Reply-To: skyeking@aye.net
>Organization: Kentucky/MUFON
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Dogfight

Hi Jerry! You asked:

>Has anybody out there come across any follow-up reports
>to the recent story in UFO ROUNDUP (V.2, #10) about a UFO
>"dogfight" over Denmark?

- and I promised to send a mail to the Danish UFO organization SUFOI about it. Well, I just received the reply. SUFOI does not have a report about the alleged event, and furthermore, the Danish ufologist Joergen Glud who should have been the source according to UFO ROUNDUP is unknown to them.

I have cc'd UFO ROUNDUP in case they might have an email address on this alleged Danish ufologist Joergen Glud, whom SUFOI has never heard about. Because I think he owes somebody an explanation.

Viggo.

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BWW Media Alert Flash!

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ABDUCTION DOUBLE

John Mack, PPWHP (Pulitzer-Prize Winning Harvard Psychiatrist) and Whitley Strieber are appearing on the Charles Grodin show on CNBC Tuesday night at 8:00 pm PST. Apparently, the show has already been taped, and they are reasonably happy with how it went. NOTE: just reporting what I heard on that, haven't spoken with them.

CSPR

I'm lecturing on Tuesday at 7:30 pm at the California Society for Psychical Studies on "The Fortean Perspective". It's at St. John's Presbyterian Center (and Church) on College Avenue near Ashby, in Berkeley. I'm afraid I don't know if it's open to the public or not, so I'm just mentioning.

END OF THE LINE

On Thursday, Jeff Rense will have Joyce Murphy of Beyond Boundaries on his radio show, THE END OF THE LINE. She is a travel agent for weird trips (no, not like Timothy Leary was)...books people on Chupacabra tours, etc. Nice person, good newsletter. For more info, see <http://www.endoftheline.com>. You can also see the whole story, as well as pictures, of that supposed Chupacabra corpse.

EDGE OF REALITY

Hopefully, at least somebody out there noticed I wasn't on EDGE OF REALITY this week :) . I got bumped, and am supposed to be on next week. We'll see...

Big UFO flap going on in Arizona, right now!

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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Re: EL/TST

From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 20:46:01 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 09:01:38 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

Regarding...

>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:04:28 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <"Greg Sandow"@prodigy.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

Greg wrote:

>I respect Paul Devereux's earthlight research, as well as his
>skepticism -- or is it just caution? -- about an alien explanation
>for UFOs.

Greg,

Likewise. "Abduction" reports aside, there are very few cases where you can conclude that if it's a real event, it must involve a non terrestrial element.

>However, in one case he cites, I'm sure he goes too far.

This wouldn't be the Hudson Valley case...

>He writes, about some of the Hudson Valley sightings:

Ah, thought it might!

Skepticism should be a double-edged sword and although the "microlite funsters" and light aircraft formations may have played a part, there's no evidence I'm aware of which shows they were responsible for all of the reports. I've not actually seen any proof that formations of flyers were responsible for one relevant report".

As R. Perry Collins commented, "Witnesses agree, no matter what may have been aloft, the object they saw was not a formation of light planes. Many witnesses have seen both the object and a group of light aircraft in formation over their areas (not at the same time). These witnesses, some being pilots themselves, agree that there was no confusing the two. Again, the object was huge, displayed multicolored lights (which changed color and intensity), flew below 1000 feet, hovered, moved at very low speeds, turned on its own axis, accelerated very rapidly, cast unusual light beams to the ground.

No formation of light planes, or other conventional aircraft, can do all these things".

>I've spoken extensively with two people who encountered a huge craft
>-- they described it as the approximate size of the convention center
>in New York city -- passing directly over their car near Middletown,
>NY in August, 1984. They felt it was no more than ten feet or so
>above them, though of course there's no way they could check that.
>They thought they could hit it with a stone if they'd thrown one.

"A person with a good throwing arm could have hit them with a rock", is a comment attributed to a witness who reportedly saw in December 1994, three black, "triangular" shaped objects, "with articulating structures on their noses, from which the blinding lights were radiating", according to the National UFO Reporting Center. The report with accompanying sketch is on the WWW at:

<http://www.nwlink.com/~ufocntr/CB941229.html>

Low altitude is one of the consistent features in a number of reported encounters with "triangular" and "flying wing" UFOs. Another example - an extract from a reported 1994 encounter near Edwards Air Force Base which I documented; "I'd say the shape was - triangular, a regular triangle. And it was very close to me, so close that I had a hard time keeping my eyes open because of the pressure it caused in the air. The eerie part was the silence for a craft hovering so close. I'm not a very good judge of measurements so I can't say for sure how high above me it actually was, but it seemed rather close, I'd guess about 25 feet".

>It blotted out the night sky, and was absolutely silent...

"Meanwhile, several Antelope Valley residents say they've seen a craft that simply strains credulity.

According to reports over the past two years, a vast black flying wing, estimated at between 600 and 800 ft. in width, has passed silently over city streets, empty desert and rural freeways. The craft moved so slowly one observer said he could jog along with it.

A pattern of seemingly random white lights on the vehicle's black underside provided "constellation camouflage" against the starry sky. Observers who followed the craft long enough detailed unlikely maneuvers in which the vehicle stopped, rotated in place and hovered vertically, presenting a thin trailing edge to the ground".

From, "America's New Secret Aircraft", Popular Mechanics, December 1991.

Strictly, the title should have a question mark at the end.

The point being, there's maybe a lot more to this whole issue than some microlite hoaxers.

In addition to the August, 1984 report you mention from Middletown, NY, there were further reports of structured craft. In "Night Siege Update: UFOs Over Central Connecticut", Philip J. Imbrogno writes of a reported sighting dated 9 January, 1986:

"The UFO did not disappear, it continued to head south and was seen over New Britain. Here many people ran out of their homes to see the giant UFO pass overhead. The time was about 9:15 pm.

One witness told us that he stood and watched it pass over his street. He reported that the underside was a dark grey like structure with all kinds of tubes and grids connecting the bottom. He said that the lights were flashing and were all white with a red one in the middle. He also said that the lights were in a boomerang shape but he could also make out a dark structure that extended toward the rear that made it look kite shaped. He and his neighbors just stood in awe as it passed over their homes without a sound.

The UFO was seen then heading north-west and at about 9:30 pm it was reported over Torrington Connecticut which is about 15 miles west of Hartford. One woman who lives in the surrounding area of the city of Torrington told police that she looked out the window and saw these lights approaching her home. At first she thought it was a jet going to crash. She then alerted the entire family who all watched the UFO approach. As it approached she said it seemed to be losing altitude and started to slow down. The UFO then hovered directly over their home and engulfed the entire house in a beam of white light.

As the object continued to move to the west it was witnessed by a Mr. Arnold Springster his wife and their friends near Whist Pond just off of Route 4 about ten miles west of Torrington. Below is Mr. Springster's sighting account as related to me.

"It was moving very slow. I knew that no aircraft could possibly keep that altitude and go so slow, plus it was dead quiet. I opened the door and got out of the car and looked up as the thing passed over the car. It was so huge it seemed like it took a long time to pass over. Everyone at this time started to get a little worried, I mean here we were on this road with no other traffic, it could have easily did

whatever it wanted to do to us. I looked up at it, it was directly overhead and about two hundred feet above the car. At that point all the white lights went out and I saw ten red lights very small surrounding a triangular shaped object with one red light in the middle. This was weird since when the white lights were on and it was approaching the object looked like a boomerang or half circle. I looked up and saw this structure. There were parts that looked like they were soldered together, but very smoothly. It was made up of some type of dark greyish material that had a very low reflectability.

[...]

I saw this large object that blacked out the entire sky above me, it was easily as large as a football field. I noticed that the underside was criss-crossed by a network of tubes and grill like work. It looked like some type of modern art. At that point the circular red light in the middle of this thing detached itself and flew ahead of the thing at great speed. The red light then circled the object three times then went back to its original position in the middle of the underside. It just reattached itself to the same place. By this time the UFO or whatever it was passed over the car and made a very sharp turn toward the south".

Regarding the August 1994 report you referred to, interesting to see you also mention, "It was close enough for them to see detail on it, a tracery of what looked like pipes".

I discussed the structural details mentioned by Imbrognio's update with a learned French gentleman called Jean-Pierre Pharabod and he noted:

"Maybe this Mr. Springster was joking, but this was January 1986. Then, how can it be that similar (and sometimes strange) details have been reported in Belgium 4 years later ?

1) "dark greyish material" (this is not strange, especially during night):

- Athus, November 27, 1989, 19h00 - 1 witness
- Liege, November 29, 1989, 19h15 - 1 witness
- Liege, December 5, 1989, 17h35 - 1 witness
- Saive, February 7, 1990, 20h00 - 2 witnesses
- Brussels, March 10, 1990, 02h05 - 1 witness
- Waret-la-Chaussee, April 4, 1991, 00h20 - 3 witnesses
- Lixhe, November 26, 1991, 18h45 - 2 witnesses

2) Tubes, grill like work, or other structures underside:

- Liege, November 29, 1989, 19h15 - 1 witness - ribs, sheets
- Liege, December 5, 1989, 17h35 - 1 witness - stairs-looking modules

3) Autonomous flight of the central circular red light [often said

- spherical instead of circular in Belgium] (very strange):
 - Henri-Chapelle, November 29, 1989, 19h30 - 2 witnesses (gendarmes!)
 - Jemeppe-sur-Sambre, December 11, 1989, 18h25 - 2 witnesses (extremely strange testimony)".

Steve Johnson is an accomplished artist and was recently commissioned to paint the representation of a November, 1985 encounter with a triangular shaped object, a case publicised at the time. The painting will shortly be available as a postcard which explains:

"Artists interpretation of a black triangular shaped Unidentified Flying Object, witnessed on 22 November 1985 by a Wisconsin state employee. He observed the object glide slowly, too slow to be flying aerodynamically, as it crossed Highway CV, located approximately 15 miles NW of Madison, WI. The sighting occurred around 5.00 PM, dusk. The object was later estimated to have been about 40 feet across, perhaps wider, and possibly 90 feet in length. The UFO silently passed a few feet above a row of power lines running parallel to the highway. The witness recalled that the underside of the craft reminded him of "the back of a refrigerator" ...like a collection of condensation pipes than ran back and forth from top to base. After passing directly above the observer's car, the black object suddenly accelerated into the evening sky at a tremendous speed. Within seconds, it disappeared.

The observer speculated that if he had been on board the craft during its abrupt acceleration he would have been squashed "flatter than a pancake". The object remained silent during the entire observation".

It's quite possible that all of the reports are misidentifications,

elaborations, or just fabrications, but there's a question mark over the consistency with some of the features commonly described. For example:

"My daughter and I saw a triangular-shaped craft fly very low over our yard.

It had rounded corners and lights in the corners and though it just skimmed the trees it made no engine sound - only a "whooooosh"-like noise. It was not flying fast and there were one or two others in the area at the same time but not as close. It almost seemed as if they were surveying the area. There were newspaper reports soon after that confirmed our sighting but we never reported it".

Not only did it break out of the pattern by spending so much time in the area, it broke out of character for UFOs by clinging close to the ground much of the time of its visit...

"I saw the object hovering about 50 feet over the town's water tank," said officer Phil Stanton, one of the policemen who received calls...

"It seemed to be triangular or vee-shaped...

The strange thing was that there was no sound at all. It appeared to have a solid hull and one big spotlight."

...security guard John McPherson and officer Tom Hagens chased the triangular mystery in a patrol car.

"There it was again ... it seemed to be triangular, maybe vee-shaped, with blue lights all around the edges and a big pulsating ball of red light in the center. There were two big beams like searchlights. The next thing I knew, it took off at terrific speed--without a sound".

He saw a triangular shape hovering over the electric wires. It would go for a few yards, stop, and go again.

As he stared the object stopped, reversed direction and started again, now in the direction he was standing. What he had thought was a helicopter had now moved about 200 feet toward him going "backwards".

He described it as 20 ft/side equilateral triangle made of some dark material. It looked rounded at the edges and had 3 red lights, one at each corner.

He also said the thing moved very slowly - he thought 3 to 5 mph".

The mother was the first to see two lights beaming straight down at them at a 45-degree angle. The object bearing these lights slowed down, but the driver, fearing it might crash, pulled to the right side of the road. The object stopped above the road, almost directly overhead. The driver switched off the engine, lowered the window and looked out. She saw a large triangular object, absolutely stationary and noiseless, at rooftop height. From other reference points it was possible to determine that the sides of the triangle measured about 20 meters.

Three milky, yellowish-white lights were at the corners of the triangle. They were bright but not blinding. In the center of the triangle was a much larger light. Its color was changing but the prevailing hue was grey-blue.

The object had a metallic appearance. It was dark-gray and colorless, with solid and sharp outlines.

The object stayed overhead for two or three minutes then departed suddenly in the direction of the houses. The driver of the car felt a breeze through her rolled-down window. The object accelerated and disappeared from view in less than a second.

"Suddenly I saw a white light in the sky ahead of me. It came down lower and lower and I thought it was an airplane in an emergency. But when it came closer still, and became bigger, I saw that it was a

flying triangle".

Each side was 75 to 90 feet long. It was dark in colour and had yellow lights along the edges and a red light at the centre of the bottom.

"For 15 minutes I saw it hover over the trees, powerful and strange".

"Through the windscreen, he spotted a small white light moving slowly in the south. Moments later, the light stopped abruptly, and made several acute right-angle turns.

Satoshi reduced speed to a crawl, and by doing so, could now make out a set of three lights, one of which was red and flashing intermittently.

The three lights suddenly quickened in speed and descended right over his vehicle.

Almost immediately, it was bathed in an intense bright light, and Satoshi, tense with fear, gripped the steering wheel and rammed hard down on the accelerator pedal in an attempt to put as much distance between him and the light as possible. He succeeded. Instinctively though, he checked his rear-view mirrors and saw lights bombarding the road several hundred yards behind, illuminating huge areas.

...Satoshi revealed that moments before his vehicle was bathed by the lights, he saw a distinct, black, triangular-shaped object overhead.

No audible sound was detected.

He suddenly noticed a very bright white light in the sky which seemed to be heading directly towards him. He stopped the car and got out, intently watching the object which was now some 50 to 60 yards from him.

He was now clearly able to see three bright white lights, one on each corner of a large triangular craft. On the centre of the underside, was a bright pulsating red light...

Despite the object being so close, Mr Jackson ...heard no sound whatsoever as he watched the object slowly manoeuvre above and then move away...

He then noticed a very bright light in the sky, forward of his position... He continued to drive slowly along the road, saw that the object was getting closer and apparently descending, so opened the side window of his car and slowed right down in order to obtain a better view.

Mr Black noticed that a minibus and two cars ahead of him had also reduced speed - obviously to watch the same event. As they closed on the object, it appeared to be either hovering or moving extremely slowly. No sound whatsoever could be heard from the craft.

Now able to see the craft in detail, he described it as triangular in shape and between 70 and 80 feet in length. It had a hemispherical bright red light in the centre of the underside, which he said was approximately 15 feet in diameter. On each corner, were very bright white lights...
[End]

These are extracts from only a few of the comparative reports I know of and presumably there are many more I'm not aware of.

These extracts have no direct relationship to Hudson Valley or even some of the 1989/90 descriptions from Belgium, despite their similarity to the latter. What those extracts do relate to, in sequence, are the following accounts:

Indiana, "early 70s".

North Carolina, April 1975 and reported in the press.

Maryland, 1982.

Karthause, Germany, February, 1990,

Jamtland, Sweden, March 1991.

Fujitsugen, Japan, January, 1994.

Matlock, England, August 1995.

Fraserburgh, Scotland, January 1996.

If Paul asks the question, just how much data is there which remains unexplained, or isn't conceivably explainable in conventional terms, there's perhaps something here which indicates there's still more questions than answers.

There's no significant evidence that one or more classified aircraft might be responsible for these reports. Conversely, there's no tangible evidence that any such reports relate to non-terrestrial craft, and they largely remain an enigma.

Perhaps all we can really conclude is that some of the reported characteristics - the claimed low altitude, silent, slow moving, hovering capabilities - remain relatively consistent with a considerable number of "flying wing" and "triangle" reports, that this has been the case for many years and the reports are not exclusive to the US.

I would have thought this was exactly the kind of data which might indicate that what was being reported did - in some cases - conceivably exist, whatever its origins.

There's not much in the way of material evidence to support any of the accounts - the well known Petit-Rechain "triangular" craft photograph is probably the most notable - but if Paul, or anyone, has a theory which might explain these consistently reported characteristics, it would be welcome.

James.
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Re: Space 'UFOs' Identified

From: "Jill Savin" <jcsavin@clark.net>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 10:00:44 PST
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 11:59:12 -0500
Subject: Re: Space 'UFOs' Identified

> From: FS337211@Sol.YorkU.CA [Nick Balaskas]
> Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 20:03:07 -0500 (EST)
> Subject: Space UFOs Identified?
> To: updates@globalserve.net

> A few years ago charged energy
> beams shooting out into space (Blue Jets and Red Sprites) was
> another form of lightning that has now been accepted by science
> as fact and not fiction. Now there are flying saucer shaped
> forms of lightning called ELVES ("Emissions of Light and Very
> low frequency perturbations due to Electromagnetic pulse Sources").
> Could these new forms of lightning be what was recorded on video
> from the Space Shuttles during missions STS-37, STS-48, STS-80,
> etc.?

I'm new to this theory of Jets and Sprites and Elves. Could you explain more in depth how they are formed, and how they appear?

And also, what did NASA officially record as the cause of what the shuttle recorded?

jill

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 09:49:55 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:05:33 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 02:31:18 -0500
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>Subject: earth lights or spacecraft?

Dear John,

You said:

>I have mentioned the video that Tom King is getting out west
>and the video footage that the 'Elders' have compiled from
>the Mexico sightings on several occasions.

Tom King and I are working together now. I first took videos of objects high over the Antelope Valley back in 1994 and showed the videos at MUFON LA. Others went out to look-see including a Dr. Gordon from the group. The John Bro started taking videos followed by Tom King.

For my part, I can say that we were videotaping a metallic object(s) at high altitude that could maintain a stationary position for two hours or move at incredibly high speeds or do a complete 180-degree turn-around. Sometimes these objects were up there everyday. I think some of what Tom is getting is very similar.

I do not understand the "earth lights" angle here. These are not "lights" - they are metallic objects seen in clear daylight skies.

We have taken video of night lights. We consider these to be unknowns.

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton
Ass't State Dir
MUFON AZ

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Info Needed for Documentaries

From: "Jill Savin" <jcsavin@clark.net>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 97 20:10:42 PST
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:10:58 -0500
Subject: Info Needed for Documentaries

Hi, I'm new to the list, and I'm in the state of Maryland, USA.
I have a group that is collecting stories about anything paranormal.
We are turning the best ones into documentaries. So if you have
any good sightings or experiences that you're willing to share,
please visit my homepage (url listed below) and leave your
experience. Looking forward to lots of great info!!

jill

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Alfred's Odd Ode #112

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 10:44:22 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:08:36 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #112

Apology to MW #112 (For March 18, 1997)

Raised in the projects, Newt would have made him a convict!

He should be a lot more cantankerous,
The Army butchered up his pancreas!

But still a man that is close to a sainthood!
He's been married four times,
But was faithful each time. . .good.

He has a medal with a heart that is purple
For swimming with snakes in the South China Sea.
He's smoking his course work so that he'll be more able.
He's working real hard to keep himself free.

So this is a man from the outside
That really rock and rolled the boat-side.
When you check his credentials,
Which are influential,
You gravitate slow to your left side.

He once stood in a room full of newsmen who clamored
On our Army's crashing choppers *enamored*,
"What kills our young men all out of proportion"?
"In twisted magnesium, aflame in contortion"?
He stood all alone, and said words that named names,
"It's COMMAND that's at fault, it's with them lies the blame"!

And he had all the facts and figures,
And the truth should have made them believers!
But it cost him his position!
And all the good missions
Went to slackers, and under achievers.

Retired at last to a humble small house --
An illness of Gulf Wars infesting his bones?
He's brilliantly liberal in a war with the louse
The louse is a centrist, and is lacking all stones.

But still he's a man with the trapping of saint hood.
He'll never have children,
Though he's not without manhood.

And he reads what's forbidden, proscribed, and compelling!
And he speaks what explains -- I believe his foretelling.

He's far and away from a centric's mad sewer. Right! He is an alien
viewer!

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

Introducing the other half of Al Squared. Coming soon to a Web Site near
you. And if not soon, eventually. . .

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the

fundamentalist's stake. Monk Bruno is a revered hero to the other half of Al Squared. Thanks, -S-.

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UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 11:38:30 -0800
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:07:31 -0500
Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

> Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 20:46:01 -0500
> From: James Easton <pulsar@compuserve.com>
> Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

> Regarding...

> >Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:04:28 -0500
> >From: Greg Sandow <"Greg Sandow"@prodigy.net>
> >Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

> Greg wrote:

> >I respect Paul Devereux's earthlight research, as well as his
> >skepticism -- or is it just caution? -- about an alien explanation
> >for UFOs.

> Greg,

> Likewise. "Abduction" reports aside, there are very few cases where
> you can conclude that if it's a real event, it must involve a non
> terrestrial element.

> >However, in one case he cites, I'm sure he goes too far.

> This wouldn't be the Hudson Valley case...

> >He writes, about some of the Hudson Valley sightings:

> > Ah, thought it might!

> > Skepticism should be a double-edged sword and although the "microlite
> > funsters" and light aircraft formations may have played a part,
> > there's no evidence I'm aware of which shows they were responsible for
> > all of the reports. I've not actually seen any proof that formations
> > of flyers were responsible for one relevant report".

> > As R. Perry Collins commented, "Witnesses agree, no matter what may
> > have been aloft, the object they saw was not a formation of light
> > planes. Many witnesses have seen both the object and a group of light
> > aircraft in formation over their areas (not at the same time). These
> > witnesses, some being pilots themselves, agree that there was no
> > confusing the two. Again, the object was huge, displayed multicolored
> > lights (which changed color and intensity), flew below 1000 feet,
> > hovered, moved at very low speeds, turned on its own axis, accelerated
> > very rapidly, cast unusual light beams to the ground.

Hi James,

We have acquired a large number of tapes concerning investigations of the Hudson Valley sightings. Lots of witnesses interviews, strategy sections, interviews with local authorities, etc., ect. I think from what I have heard so far the possibility of man-made devices must be further explored.

Some police agencies in western Connecticut were very upset when they found some of the local private pilots where flying around with Christmas tree lights and other lighting devices attached to their planes trying to fool the local populous.

The investigators were definitely frustrated with trying to shift out all the hoaxers. Also, there was some speculation about tests of some type of aviation platform. In Connecticut there are a large number of aviation firms. The question, of course, was why wouldn't a new device be tested in the western US away from populated areas?

Recently when I visited Alabama, the people down there told me that there were a few similar sightings in the area, and they had heard rumors of an anti-summgling surveillance device which the DEA was operating out of Maxwell AFB.

I think we must approach these reports of night triangular light formations with great caution.

There are several reports of triangular shaped objects (daylight and night time, including one formation sighting by a police officer) in Connecticut going back to the early sixties. (One was described as looking like the Mercury space capsule.)

Jan Aldrich

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Project 1947 - Re: List of cases for 1946

From: **Nicolas Maillard** <enigma@CLUB-INTERNET.FR>
Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 15:25:12 +0100
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:20:16 -0500
Subject: Project 1947 - Re: List of cases for 1946

Hello list members, Hello Dominique,

This text is a part of an unclassified Defense Intelligence Agency Report (1972). It is related to mind control but it could be related to some aerial UFO sightings with changes in the crewmembers behaviour...

- Controlled offensive Behaviour - USSR
- Defense Intelligence Agency
- Ref : ST-CS-01-169-72
- Prepared by US Army, Office of the Surgeon General, Medical Intelligence Officer
- Date : July 1072
- DIA Task Number : T72-01-14

page 77-78 :

"The following account was taken from US Air Force personal aboard a F-102 interceptor in close range with two Soviet BEAR aircraft in 1968.

"Three lights on the possible BEAR Bravo aircraft were visible throughout the intercept: A green light on the right wingtip, a red light on the left wingtip, and a bright red strobe light on the top of the fuselage that the F-102 pilot described as pulsating so rapidly that it almost gave a stop-motion appearance that one of the BEAR engines was feathered. When the F-102 was closing from the rear at a distance of about one-half mile, a brilliant green light was flashed three or four times at the F-102 from the tail gunner's compartment for a duration of ten to fifteen seconds each time. The pilot reported that he was closing at a steady rate and that there was no changes in this movement with which to correlate the separate flashes of light. The F-102 pulled alongside the BEAR some distance away, but twice when he edged closer the BEAR crewmember shined the light at the F-102, both times from the side blister, for a duration of ten to fifteen seconds each time. The F-102 discontinued his closing movements when the light was shined from this position, and described the effect of this light, along the strobe, as very confusing to him, resulting in vertigo and loss of depth perception. On the third attempt to move closer to the BEAR, no light was shined at the F-102, and the F-102 then escorted the BEAR for a period of about 40 more minutes with no further incidents of lights from the BEAR. (...)"

(...) Those flicker effects which interfere with consciousness appear at frequencies related to the alpha rythm of the EEG (electroencephalogram), or at 10 Hz. Annoying or irritating sensations seem to occur with aperiodic flashes or with rythmic flashes at 3-5 Hz. Visual illusions appear to be produced by frequencies above 10-12 Hz."

Best regards,

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PS : Sorry Dominique de repondre en anglais...

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Dark 'Flying Wing' Object - (was EL/TST)

From: DRudiak@aol.com
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:19:34 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:30:08 -0500
Subject: Dark 'Flying Wing' Object - (was EL/TST)

In a message dated 97-03-18 09:43:24 EST, James Easton wrote:

>Meanwhile, several Antelope Valley residents say they've seen a craft
>that simply strains credulity.

>According to reports over the past two years, a vast black flying
>wing, estimated at between 600 and 800 ft. in width, has passed
>silently over city streets, empty desert and rural freeways. The craft
>moved so slowly one observer said he could jog along with it.

>A pattern of seemingly random white lights on the vehicle's black
>underside provided "constellation camouflage" against the starry sky.
>Observers who followed the craft long enough detailed unlikely
>maneuvers in which the vehicle stopped, rotated in place and hovered
>vertically, presenting a thin trailing edge to the ground".

I saw the same thing flying slowly over Berkeley, Calif. back in 1975: A perfectly symmetrical dark, flying wing shape with perhaps two dozen random, star-like lights on the bottom. I couldn't see the actual object itself, just the lights moving coherently together against the background star field.

This thing was perhaps a mile or two away, silent, and perhaps several hundred to one to two thousand feet high. I'm still debating with myself whether it was a craft or a flock of birds in a perfect formation. I still rather doubt the latter explanation, partly because the shape was so symmetrical and also because the lights seemed rigidly fixed with respect to one another.

David Rudiak

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'Fred Crisman', Anyone?

From: **Mark Pilkington** <markp@syzygy.co.uk>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 17:16:59 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:23:02 -0500
Subject: 'Fred Crisman', Anyone?

Anyone got any good info on Fred Crisman, who managed to be involved in the Shaver Affair, Maury Island and the Kennedy Assassination (and more?).

Who was he?

Did he really exist, or was he just an assumed intelligence name?

I've been given a lead to an LA radio station, and Jerome Clarke, who's not on email.
Anyone got any more?

Mark Pilkington

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Skywatch: Chile UFO Updates

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:15:50 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 12:15:50 -0500
Subject: Skywatch: Chile UFO Updates

From: "SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL" <skywatch@mail.phoenix.net>
Organization: SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 07:34:10 -0700
Subject: Skywatch: Chile UFO Updates

----- Forwarded Message Follows -----

Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 21:30:22 -0400
From: Luis Sanchez Perry <lsanchez@chilesat.net>
Organization: Waiting for Hale-Bopp
To: "Skywatch International, Inc." <skywatch@phoenix.net>
Subject: Chile UFO Updates

New cases,

Feb. 16, 1997

Carlos Mu=Floz, member of AION (Chilean UFO Group) that lives in Punta Arenas is investigating a case of possible abduction of a 16 year old girl. She was walking from school to home when she was hit in the back by many small balls of light (flashes that popped on her back), after what she remembers waking up on another location four hours later (missing time). She has gone under medical exams and she is OK.

Mentaly she is OK too. Maybe she will go under hypnosis to see what happened with the four missing hours.

Carlos Mu=Floz while investigating the previous case, he ran into a man (electric engineer) that had a close encounter/abduction in 1985 in which there were 12 witnesses. This case is really interesting. The=20 man was working in a Wood Company (in Punta Arenas) and he was in his trailer at the moment of the encounter, and 12 other workers that were outside. The workers saw a UFO hover over the trailer and=20 beamed a powerful light into it. The workers saw how the light went through the roof into the trailer (they could see the light coming from inside the trailer), so one of them ran to the trailer and knocked it telling this man to get out.

The Engineer remembers only of feeling really relaxed and saw a being of light that was tall, thin and with a big head before losing conscienceness.

Carlos Mu=Floz also said that he and other witnesses have seen many UFO formations near the ocean. Strange ships have been seen near the coast which carry many powerful lights that flash and aim at these UFO's. Looking for contact??

Nobody knows what or to whom these ships belong to. A friend told me that the Chilean Navy has agreements with the USA Navy in=20 this issue...

Feb.28 1997

The last three days on Channel 13 (local TV) in the news they reported a very interesting UFO that was filmed at Pucon during an exhibition of the acrobatic team "Los Halcones" of the Chilean AirForce (FACH).

The object was "Ring like". It looked like a ring of smoke but very

bright. It turned over it's axis, and then left the scene moving slowly=20
(about 60Mph) heading East. This object was filmed by two different=20
witnesses, one of them is a ATC (Air Traffic Controller) on vacation.=20

The Meteoroligal department said that it was something strange
to them, something unknown. It was no airplane or known object=20
because the airspace was restricted that day because of the air show.

According to AION, this object was seen the day before near
"Lake Rapel" heading South. Also AION found in it's archives a photo=20
taken in France(1991) that shows a similar Ring object.

AION has recieved many reports of UFO landings and their
occupants.

Next week there probably will be a photo of one of these
landings.

AION is going to do a "Radar Project" at Punta Arenas (hot spot
at this moment) in about two week (1st. week of April) that will last
three days. Let's hope he finds something. I will keep you informed. =20

The exact spot if any of you are near Punta Arenas is a place
called "Rio Canelo". The Chilean army has an observation post near=20
this place and they have reported triangular shape objects, as well=20
as many other witnesses.=20

Good Luck AION!!!

Soon I will be posting the lab test results done by a Japanes Metal
Company and a Chilean Company on some pieces of metals that fell
from a UFO that hit a mountain in 1993 in Vicu=Fla (not a crash).

Images,=20
Ring like UFO captured from the local news program.
Piece of metal as appeared on local newspaper.

Saludos,
Luis
Skywatch International
Chile Director=20

* Keep your eyes on Hale-Bopp... *
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Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 11:47:40 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 13:54:35 -0500
Subject: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

On several occasions both triangular and boomerang-shaped UFOs have been spotted over the Antelope Valley of California. One passed over downtown Lancaster with a disc in escort. Here is my account of what happened in the west Antelope Valley:

On October 26, 1988 two large dark boomerangs with a multitude of lights accompanied by 17 discs overflew my rear property line in the west Antelope Valley. At that time I had a 10-acre ranch that was long and narrow. The property width was only 330-feet. My neighbor estimated the span of these craft to be twice that of our property widths. These craft were travelling at low altitude from south (the Three Points area) to north (the Tehachapi mountains and the secret Northrop facility) at the speed of a moving car and below the altitude of the mountain peaks. The craft could be heard "humming". The trailing edge of the boomerangs was straight as a ruler. A white pickup truck patrolling the street in front of my house (230th st west) had a spotlight beam pointed at this procession and was moving north at about the same speed. This was about 8:30 pm and the wind was blowing at 50 mph. Later that night the objects were seen in Fresno where they suddenly accelerated and disappeared from sight.

Recently we had a similar boomerang or V-shaped formation pass over Phoenix on the evening of March 13th. Check out the detailed report on the website for the National UFO Reporting Center. That same night a group of us were videotaping golden-orange orbs in the vicinity of the Gila River Indian Reservation.

Bill Hamilton
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Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 14:15:28 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 17:56:07 -0500
Subject: Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

> From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
> Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 11:47:40 -0700
> Subject: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs
> To: updates@globalserve.net

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> Bill Hamilton
> Ass't State Dir
> MUFON AZ

Let me share some more of the ol=92 anecdotal. . .=20

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I was looking around in some UFO files I had downloaded =20
from a BBS, when I came across the name of a small town that =20
is within proverbial spittin', distance from me. I have promised the
person involved that I would not implicate h--, so I will not directly
ID the town, just give you good details of it.=20

People in this town observed a UFO. I have the text of the article, and
other documentation concerning the whole incident, but there is no
requirement to believe this ol' ex soldier; I'm doing this for _me_
anyway. =20

=20

Intrigued, I called the local town's newspaper to see if there was
anything to the news article I had found in those files -- and wouldn't
you _just_ know it -- there was! In fact it was quite a little tempest
in a tea pot, for all that, and I do not mean to diminish it!=20

Not at all, for what it really was, was a story about courage, and
integrity. It was about standing up in the face of authority when it
belittles you, and suggests that you are misrepresenting, mistaken, or
mentally ill. =20

=20

The original story was doomed to go nowhere, as there are stories like
this that happen all over the United States, cannot be easily confirmed
by a reader, and are more easily filed away under amusing occurrences --
a bonified tempest, but it _was_ in a teapot after all =96 and
forgettable.

=20

But this teapot tempest was happening close to me, and I had time,
motive, and opportunity to play investigator; I called the local
paper. =20

As it turned out the guy was a talkative sort, and just imagine any
editor of an small town American rag; a hamster couldn't pass gas in his
town without him knowing about it. He talked about the witness, and I am
(ironically) _embarrassed_ to report . . . that ***** was a
respected-pillar-of-the-community type, and further showed stability
with a responsible job in state government. I mean, she couldn=92t be
anything else, right?=20

=20

The Editor went on to say that ***** was out driving with a friend at
night, had seen a UFO in the sky, that it had shot back and forth in the

air in front of h-- moving car at impossible speeds and direction changes, and then disappeared. The editor further added that there were other reports that night from other witnesses at similar times. =20

Then he talked a short time about an amusingly satisfying related situation concerning some police embarrassment regarding their "not taking *****'s UFO report seriously enough when ***** made it." Apparently, the police had mildly ridiculed ***** about the incident, and ***** went through the roof! With some struggle at the county police level, and with the mayor brought into tow, ***** secured a complete retraction of the ridicule, and a public apology from the police. This elicited more newspaper coverage, and a cartoon of the police chief being dragged down the street by a UFO, saying into a cell phone words to the effect that he had every intention of taking a UFO report seriously. =20

Great story, and I thought that was the end of it, but then lastly, (and I mean I didn't even ask) he abruptly added that if I wanted (!!!) I could talk to ***** myself, and here is *****'s home phone number! I asked him (after I got the number) how he could do that, and he said that ***** did not say not to. America! =20

Well, I called ***** , got a machine -- left my tale of explanation, credentials and sincerity -- I even said don't feel bad if you don't return the call. I got no callback; I hoped ***** felt bad.=20

I waited a couple of weeks; I didn't want to be the obnoxious media (if I wasn't getting paid for it); and I was ready to call back just to see if the message was received -- when ***** finally returned my call. =20

***** wanted to know how in hell I got the number. I ratted the editor out (didn't say I wouldn't), then countered with a barrage of apology, quick explanations of sincerity, and that I would make no trouble. =20

***** cooled out. =20

After promising that I would not ID ***** , ***** told me about a large, slowly wheeling boomerang shape that zipped hither and you like something ***** had never before seen. ***** said it was a CRAFT! Additionally, there is something that you have to understand about ***** . ***** lives right in the middle of some of the most intensively flown uncontrolled airspace in the known universe, and has lived there the whole of a respected life. Anyone who has heard of Fort Rucker, home of Army Aviation, knows that the world comes to Fort Rucker to fly helicopters, day, night, and all weather. ***** had cut teeth on aircraft of all types (day night and all weather) and knew the difference `twixt something identified and something NOT. ***** went on to say that the police apology story was overblown; it didn't happen as stridently as the editor had said, but it was irritating not to be taken seriously by someone who's salary ***** helped to pay. =20

God bless ***** . =20

***** expressed appreciation if I could provide no "further bother" on this subject, as it was kind of embarrassing -- but that I seemed like a good sport, and I had done America so proud in the gulf. I had to allow that I spent the duration of that war at Fort Rucker, teaching the men and women preparing to participate how to *participate*. . . ***** said that that was OK, I did my part -- my whole point being that this seemed to be a credible, honorable person. A person who was able to communicate to me that something incredible was in fact witnessed by a credible person, and that that credible person does not have to take any CRAP for seeing incredible things, and reporting them! =20

This, and UFO's are real to one more person I know. =20

Thanks for letting me share. =20

Lehmborg@snowhill.com =20

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake for watching the skies.

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 14:39:52 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 17:24:14 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
>Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 09:49:55 -0700
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>>Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 02:31:18 -0500
>>To: updates@globalserve.net
>>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>>Subject: earth lights or spacecraft?

>Dear John,

>You said:

>>I have mentioned the video that Tom King is getting out west
>>and the video footage that the 'Elders' have compiled from
>>the Mexico sightings on several occasions.

>Tom King and I are working together now. I first took videos
>of objects high over the Antelope Valley back in 1994 and
>showed the videos at MUFON LA. Others went out to look-see
>including a Dr. Gordon from the group. The John Bro started
>taking videos followed by Tom King.

>For my part, I can say that we were videotaping a metallic
>object(s) at high altitude that could maintain a stationary
>position for two hours or move at incredibly high speeds or
>do a complete 180-degree turn-around. Sometimes these >objects were up
>there everyday. I think some of what Tom >is getting is very similar.

You don't have to sell me Bill. I've seen em 'up close and
personal.' <G> I just hope that 'certain folks' are paying
attention here.

>I do not understand the "earth lights" angle here.

As regards these frequent, close up, daylight, clear Arizona
skies sightings, there is no angle! If some of the 'critics'
would get off of their keisters and get over there with some
serious people and equipment we'd have more answers, faster,
than you can say 'What the hell was that?'

>These are not "lights" - they are metallic objects seen in
>clear daylight skies.

I've been trying to tell them that for awhile, but apparently
no one who can do something about it is listening or cares!
Maybe when the pucks start hovering over their own hometowns
they'll pay some attention. Oh yeah, they'll want to talk then,
for sure. <G>

I'm considering a substantial investment in 'Depends' stock!
That, or a liquor store. Both are excellent investments Bill,
you may want to consider them yourself. Adult sized diapers
and booze are going to be like gold! <G>

>We have taken video of night lights. We consider these to
>be unknowns.

And properly so.

Take good care Bill, and I send my best to good buddy Tom.
Soon I suspect, it won't be so very hard for you guys to get
the serious attention that you deserve. Don't ever sweat it,
we've got some truth on our side.

John Velez

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Re: Faster Than Light...

From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 15:07:15 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 17:31:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Faster Than Light...

> Date: 17 Mar 97 22:18:35 EST
> From: Peregrine Mendoza <101653.2205@CompuServe.COM>
> To: Errol Bruce Knapp <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Faster Than Light...

> The Duke of M. hopes you enjoy the following:

> ----- Forwarded Message -----

> Excerpt from

> =====
> The mini-Annals of Improbable Research ("mini-AIR")
> Issue Number 1997-03
> March, 1997
> ISSN 1076-500X
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> A free newsletter of tidbits too tiny to fit in
> The Annals of Improbable Research (AIR),
> the journal of inflated research and personalities
> =====

> 1997-03-11 Scientific Correctness: Zippy Travel

> Here is the report on our SCIENTIFIC CORRECTNESS SURVEY #2. The
> question was:

> Is faster-than-light travel possible?

> This survey drew an onslaught of opinions.

> The vote was a landslide (72%) for the YES side. Thus, another
> controversy is put to rest. Henceforth, it will be scientifically
> correct to believe that faster-than-light travel is possible.

> Opinions ranged from positive to negative, and from simple ("Yes")
> to hideously complex. While the results are interesting, the
> variety of methods used to obtain them is dazzling.

> * * *

*** snip ***

Those who are interested in the question of whether or not
faster than light travel is possible from the physical
sciences point of view may find the following abstract
interesting. At least it is more illuminating than surveying
the public !

Here is the abstract of Puthoff's article which I have taken
from the National Institute for Discovery Science web site.
The complete article with references is at the NIDS site.

SETI, the Velocity-of-Light Limitation, and the Alcubierre Warp Drive:
An Integrating Overview
(Physics Essays, Vol. 9, No. 1, pp. 156-158, 1996)
H.E. Puthoff, Ph.D.

In SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence) conventional wisdom

has it that the probability of direct contact by interstellar travel is vanishingly small due to the enormous distances involved, coupled with the velocity-of-light limitation. Alcubierre's recent "warp drive" analysis [Class. Quantum Grav. 11, L 73 (1994)] within the context of general relativistic dynamics, however, indicates the naivete of this assumption. We show here that Alcubierre's result is a particular case of a broad, general approach that might loosely be called "metric engineering," the details of which provide yet further support for the concept that reduced-time interstellar travel, either by advanced extraterrestrial civilizations at present or ourselves in the future, is not, as naive consideration might hold, fundamentally constrained by physical principles.

Key words: SETI, velocity of light, general relativistic dynamics, space-time metric, interstellar travel, vacuum energy, Casimir effect, vacuum engineering, warp drive, superluminal travel

Gary

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Re: Arizona Sightings

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 14:11:04 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 18:08:19 -0500
Subject: Re: Arizona Sightings

>Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 14:31:42 -0500
>From: Graham William Birdsall <106151.1150@compuserve.com>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Skywatch: Re: Arizona Sightings
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>>From: "SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL, INC." <skywatch@mail.phoenix.net>
>>Organization: SKYWATCH INTERNATIONAL
>>Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:22:41 -0700
>>Subject: Skywatch: Re: Arizona Sightings

>>FYI---

>>The UFO Reporting Center says it received numerous calls from around
>>Prescott and Paulden, AZ last night of triangles. Reports were also
>>received from Glendale, Tempe, and Phoenix. There have been 3 Daylight
>>Disc sightings in the past 2 weeks over West Phoenix --- we have become
>>part of the worldwide wave of sightings! Following is a brief report
>>forwarded (upon request) to the National UFO Reporting Center:

>
>Dear Colleagues,
>
>This is a late posting Monday night (17 March '97) but important.
>
>I would be grateful for any feedback relating to flying triangle
>activity/reports on or around Friday night (7 March) and early Saturday
>morning (8 March - 3.00am GMT approximately).

>
>Best regards,
>
>Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]
>
>UFO magazine (UK)

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Hiya Graham,

Try Bill Hamilton at:

bhamilto@pcshs.com

And Tom King at:

xalium@netwrx.net

Should prove to be fruitful Graham as these are
the guys that are getting the video footage!

Best wishes, and the best of luck in all of your
endeavors.

John Velez

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Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

From: **BOB SHELL** <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 18 Mar 97 16:43:43 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 17:58:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

>From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
>Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 11:47:40 -0700
>Subject: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs
>To: updates@globalserve.net

>This was about 8:30 pm and the wind was blowing at 50 mph.<

That sounds VERY windy to me. Is this a typo?

Bob

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AUFORA: Cover-Up in Arizona?

From: David Watanabe <davew@aufora.org>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 18:35:14 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 02:22:32 -0500
Subject: AUFORA: Cover-Up in Arizona?

AUFORA News Update
Tuesday, March 18th, 1997 <http://www.aufora.org/>

COVERUP IN ARIZONA?
from Tom King - xalium@netwrx.net

As sad as it seems a military cover-up of the event that took place March 13 is in action. On some of the videos you can see a string of lights that lights up and fade out. This is similar to a military flare so its being used as the answer to the whole thing.

So far the military has changed its story a number of times. First they claimed not to be involved in the sighting. Then they changed their positions, probably because of all of the news coverage and decided they were doing maneuvers that night. The news also has conflicting reports as the coverage still continues. Some channels will say its definitely not flares.

Channel 12 and I believe channel 10 are now saying it was flares. Why? Because that's what the military told them, so it must be a fact. I doubt the local news is going to make major issue with the federal government over this. So it seems they are buying the official story and trying to kill off the attention now.

The whole thing reminds me of Roswell.

The military is now claiming it was responsible for the sightings by testing Parachute flares some 40 or more miles south of Phoenix at a military test range.

This story does not address the facts.

1. These objects were seen all over Arizona including Kingman, Prescott, and Paulden. These cities are nowhere near that military range and neither is Phoenix.
2. Eyewitnesses have placed the objects directly over Phoenix and have seen the object shoot straight up in the air.
3. I have seen the objects and they weren't far enough away to be at the military test site which is over 40 miles away from our location. They were not dripping, nor did they give off smoke, and we did not see a parachute.
4. Bill Hamilton, who viewed the objects through my telescope, has seen many flares during his 40 years of sky watching. He has stated they definitely were not flares or conventional aircraft.

I don't think the military is going to let these sightings go as 'unexplained' and have people believe something was in our skies that night. They are taking the credit for the objects and claim all of us are mistaken, including

an airline pilot who saw the object directly over his aircraft as he was taking off.

Flare tests go on many times a year on the military range and it has NEVER resulted in mass sightings with 5 videos, and thousands of witnesses, pilots mistaking flares 50 miles away, for being over the city, and news coverage over a dozen times. Are you getting the picture yet???

Channel 10 in Phoenix is going to cover the story again and this time have an explanation from the military. It will air at 9:00 p.m. tonight. I'll keep you posted.

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Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

From: Cathy Johnson <rfsignal@M3.SPRYNET.COM>

Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 23:49:54 -0800

Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 09:00:21 -0500

Subject: Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

> From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>, on 3/18/97 5:56=

PM:

> Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 14:15:28 -0600

> From: Alfred Lehmborg <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>

> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

> > From: bhamilto@pcshs.com

> > Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 11:47:40 -0700

> > Subject: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

> > To: updates@globalserve.net

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> > Recently we had a similar boomerang or V-shaped formation pass over

> > Phoenix on the evening of March 13th. Check out the detailed report

> > on the website for the National UFO Reporting Center. That same

> > night a group of us were videotaping golden-orange orbs in the

> > vicinity of the Gila River Indian Reservation.

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> > Bill Hamilton

> > Ass't State Dir

> > MUFON AZ

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> Let me share some more of the ol=C6 anecdotal. . .

Dear Alfred,

I see you have begun to scratch the surface of an important=20 aspect of UFO reports. When anyone sees something as unusual as=20 a saucer, up close and for real, it has a certain impact upon=20 that particular person. In the case of a number of abductees,=20 that closeness and shocking realization of the experience as=20 being real is something that many simply cannot deal with.

Its an impossible situation for most people to report the=20 sighting of an unusual craft, let alone report that they have=20 been on one of those things. Just how do you deal with such a=20 thing as this? Do you just add a few blankets as you sleep under=20 the bed, or do you go screaming into the street? Bottom line is=20 that the normal political social and religious stabilities in our=20 frail lives simply cannot deal with the fact. In the face of=20 someone crying out that there was a sighting, an esteemed State=20 Trooper is more likely to react by administering a drug test than=20 to actually verify the possibility of other witnesses to the=20 event.

So much for the state of Law and Order.

It is a matter of wealth and networking that anyone can get=20 any kind of help at all in regards to sightings and or=20 abductions. Poor people simply go without. And, the lineups at=20 the quacks, hypnotherapists, psychiatrists and anyone who will=20 listen is all a pathetic testimony to the facts as they are=20 experienced. And, the facts are experienced.

On the occasions that I have faced various State Troopers,=20 it has almost invariably been an experience all by itself. They=20 approach, gun in hand, right up to my face. They slang their=20 english and it is easy to determine their 'red-necked'=20 philosophies. Most of them are glorified gunslingers and should=20 be mounted on horses instead of in those sleek hot pursuit=20

vehicles. And, as was mentioned, the reaction to the news of the=20 sighting was something else. In the modern 'Police State' during=20 the present war on drugs and race, it is a rare event to find a=20 kind and understanding face peering out from that kind of=20 uniform. So, the police are out preserving its law and order. =20 Never mind all of those people who are screaming that it isn't=20 Superman up there.

Do you honestly think that this is right? How can anyone=20 do something about their sighting or experiences? As far as I=20 can see, it is only a matter of filing a report and forgetting=20 about it until the next time. Is that really the only thing that=20 can be done? Yup.

If you happen to be a low income wage earner, you have a=20 hard time to make ends meet. So, where do you think anyone in=20 that situation could come up with the small fortunes necessary to=20 pay the army of hypnotists, psychiatrists and so on to=20 effectively deal with your 'personality problem'. It doesn't=20 happen for a lot of people that we will never hear about at all. =20 Look at the years of treatments the Hills went through. For=20 what? Tell me what kind of treatments that Travis Walton got. =20 Or, how about a few hundred others I can immediately think of.

I must apologize for venting at the moment, but as far as I=20 can see, there has been no significant public effort to get to=20 the heart of the matter. Forty five years ago I had my first=20 experience. Since then, nothing has really changed. While=20 Project Magnet explored the electromagnetic effects, other=20 projects explored this and that. It all went nowhere. And its=20 all still going nowhere. Why?

Take care for now,
Cathy Johnson

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 23:26:26 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 09:06:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

John Velez wrote:

>I've been trying to tell them that for awhile, but apparently
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>for sure. <G>

[Bill Hamilton said]

>>We have taken video of night lights. We consider these to
>>be unknowns.

[Velez replied]

>And properly so.

>John Velez

Dear John:

Not to rain on anyone's parade, but why should a simple statement to the effect that someone has videotaped night lights and considers them to be unknown be deemed "properly so"? What happened to old-fashioned investigation (were there any mundane objects in the vicinity that have been noted and accounted for?) and even rudimentary video analysis before confirming the unknown factor by saying "properly so"?

Properly so, indeed! Who says so, and on what basis?

You won't like this, either, but most of the "pucks" I've seen, including the two you recently downloaded to the list, are artifacts of the video recording process. In fact, the black bar underneath is a dead giveaway of same.

You can demonstrate this to yourself by going out and videotaping Venus on some clear evening when it's extremely bright against the dark sky. Then grab a frame of same. What do you see? The late Ron Johnson demonstrated this effect quite convincingly by doing just that and comparing same to -- guess what? Pictures of Venus taken during the daytime solar eclipse from Mexico City and passed off by the Elders in their first video, "Messengers of Destiny" (if memory serves me on the name), as the real thing.

No, I haven't seen the latest video you mention by them, no, I'm not saying you didn't have a real experience, and, no, I'm not saying they might not even have an authentic anomaly or two on tape, and no, I'm not saying UFOs don't exist.

What I am saying is that things have gotten seriously out of hand when everyone accepts that every videotape of a bright light against a darker background is somehow indisputable proof of a UFO -- implying a physical space ship from another planet or solar system, presumably engaged in abduction activity.

When you have the time, you should also inquire of a few hoary veterans in the field as to what level of credibility the Elders presently enjoy in terms of serious research. Remember: these are the same people who brought you the Billy Meier pictures.

I don't want to dismiss them and anything they do out of hand; by the same token, if they were to say it's 1:27 in the afternoon, I would want at least three confirming sources, along with my own personal visual confirmation that the sun was indeed shining at the time in question. But what the hell do I know? Maybe the Mayans were behind this whole thing, after all. And didn't the Aztecs have a calendar stone? And didn't both the Mayans and Aztecs build pyramids? Hmmm, and didn't the Egyptians, too? And doesn't the Sphinx resemble the Mars Face?

Well, hell, it all fits together, doesn't it?

No, it doesn't, frankly, not in a New York heartbeat, or anywhere else.

Since you live in NYC, why not do me (and you) this: go down to the Post loading docks between 3 and 4 some morning (when Linda was supposedly abducted), and report back to the list on what you see. Then compare your characterization of the activity, or lack thereof, with the one Budd Hopkins presents in "Witnessed." Are they the same? Is it a dead zone? I don't think so. Then ask yourself why none of the workers saw the UFO hovering nearby, and why none of their truck engines stalled, like everyone else's did in the story, even though they were closer to the UFO than the Brooklyn Bridge and the FDR underpass, where half of the UN security team was apparently huddled at the time--and for no apparently earthly reason.

Do you think this is something, if witnessed or experienced, that dock workers *wouldn't* have reported to their colleagues and circulation-hungry higher-ups? "UFO STALLS POST!"

I don't think so. And maybe I am missing out on the story of the decade, but I'm also going to think twice before I donate any more of my money to the Elderses and their ilk.

Sorry, dude. Like your inflection over the phone, appreciate your experience, enthusiasm and industry, but deplore your willingness to see UFOs everywhere. Now hie thee thither to the Post docks and let us know what they're really like. Just the facts will do. But a freeze frame from a video clip would be appreciated as well. Pretty busy, weren't they? Hard to imagine how anyone could've missed it, isn't it?

Dennis

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Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

From: Glenn Sheper <gscheper@gentech.com>
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 03:29:10 -0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 09:34:47 -0500
Subject: Re: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

>Date: 18 Mar 97 16:43:43 EST
>From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Triangular and Boomerang UFOs

>>This was about 8:30 pm and the wind was blowing at 50 mph.<

>That sounds VERY windy to me. Is this a typo?

>Bob

Probably not. I ignorantly bought a house in Palmdale after having only seeing it on a few calm days in a good month. Now I have come to understand the term "High Desert" means an uninhabitable place that should be better left deserted!

Once in a while, you notice that the wind isn't blowing. You cannot sweep dirt against the wind. Everyone has to water their downwind neighbor's yard. The wind took a letter out of my hand, two blocks around a corner and out of sight faster than I could chase it. I tie a rope to my trash container, lest it jump in the pool. -- Pool? Now, why'd I get that?! Surf's up! One potted plant committed suicide by jumping into the pool, most of them just die quietly in a place where perennials are only annuals, if they can even hold on for one season. Last month, the wind pushed my gazebo along the patio until it hit an obstruction, then broke it.

On the other hand, it could be worse: A little further north, on the route to Bakersfield, 138?, there are windmill farms.

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With so much activity in Antelope Valley, is there any best strategem for catching a sighting? Any local UFO organizations?

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Whenever I hear of cylindrical objects, I want to promote my: Glenn Scheper's Omegaform Luminous Sighting (UFO), 1982.
<http://www.gentech.com/~employee/glenn/sighting.htm>

That page has a link to fetch this PC executable animation to tumble my object on a VGA display -- It's safe, I compiled it:
<http://www.gentech.com/~employee/glenn/omega.exe>

Oh, Link me!

gscheper@gentech.com Glenn Scheper's Home Page:
<http://www.gentech.com/~employee/glenn/home.htm>
Ideas and free software for surfing; Revelations;
Over 2000 links to mind/psi/spirit/ufo pages.
If anyone cannot browse, I'd happily E-mail to you.

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Re: Coverup in Arizona

From: **Brian Cuthbertson** <brianc@fc.net>
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 10:41:38 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 15:55:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Coverup in Arizona

>=====

>AUFORA News Update
>Tuesday, March 18th, 1997 <http://www.aufora.org/>

>COVERUP IN ARIZONA?
> from Tom King - xalium@netwrx.net

>As sad as it seems a military cover-up of the event
>that took place March 13 is in action. On some of the
>videos you can see a string of lights that lights up
>and fade out. This is similar to a military flare so
>its being used as the answer to the whole thing.

Tom,

I'd think it would be easy to call the military's bluff on this. If these really were flares, just tell them they can easily put this incident to rest once and for all: challenge them to do it again at a pre-determined date and time, so as to duplicate what was previously seen, and let people get close enough to see them do it.

Either they can or they can't. And I doubt they can claim flares are so expensive or such high security items that this demonstration could not be done.

Put out this challenge on the local radio and TV out there so they have to respond in kind. Call their bluff: make 'em do it again. Bet they can't :-)

Just a thought.
-Brian Cuthbertson
Austin, Texas

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 12:02:03 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:06:17 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>Date: Tue, 18 Mar 1997 23:26:26 -0600 (CST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>John Velez wrote:

>>I've been trying to tell them that for awhile, but apparently
>>no one who can do something about it is listening or cares!
>>Maybe when the pucks start hovering over their own hometowns
>>they'll pay some attention. Oh yeah, they'll want to talk then,
>>for sure. <G>

>[Bill Hamilton said]

>>>We have taken video of night lights. We consider these to
>>>be unknowns.

>[Velez replied]

>>And properly so.

>>John Velez

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Dennis writes,

>Dear John:

>Not to rain on anyone's parade, (snip)

Oops, too late! <G>

>Properly so, indeed! Who says so, and on what basis?

It's proper to consider them "unknown" until what they are has been determined! Simple, nothing complicated going on. Why do I get the feeling that I'm in court Dennis? Did anyone ever tell you that you phrase questions with all the finesse of a NY lawyer?

>No, I haven't seen the latest video you mention by them,

Until you have seen it, there's no basis for discussion is there? That, is the topic of the thread, not the Linda case. Which (once again) brings us to,...

>Since you live in NYC, why not do me (and you) this: go
>down to the Post loading docks between 3 and 4 some morning
>(when Linda was supposedly abducted), and report back to
>the list on what you see.

The 'fifty dollar' response:

1. Greg Sandow (who is a journalist and a researcher, I am not) has written a review of the "Linda case" which is in the printing stages as we speak. I'm sure he'll see this e-mail and respond to you directly on that very point.

Greg went and did precisely what you suggested that I do. He went

to the loading docks in the middle of the night. I'll let him tell you what he found/thinks.

2. Why are you involving me in the investigation of the Linda case? Other than to defend her reputation several months ago when she was being verbally ripped apart publicly, I've never said anything one way or another (anywhere) about my thoughts, feelings or interests in the case.

You're the one who is so upset by it Dennis, not me. Why don't YOU go to the post loading docks at three AM! I have a wife and children and a grandson (I'd like to live long enough to dance at his wedding) who need me.

Put yourself in jeopardy if you care so much about that case. Stop trying to drag me into the middle of any arguments or personal/philosophical differences that you may have with Mr Hopkins. This is the third time in a year that you've tried. Enough already.

3. I'm not a "researcher" and have never claimed to be. I've already come forward publicly and 'reported' what I had to report. I don't have to investigate anything for anybody, much less report back to the list. I've lived up to the dictates of my conscience. I've reported to my fellow creatures honestly and without embellishment. And not just with words either, I've put my reputation and future career options (and quite possibly my family's) on the line. Guys like you think that you have the right to 'grill me' in any way that you deem fit, and about any topic because I have come forward publicly as an abductee, well you need to find out what time it is Sasquatch.

I don't owe you any explanations but because I like your accent I'll say something here. I am here (a member of this list) at the invitation of a very dear friend who felt that as an "abductee" and a member of Hopkins' Intruders Foundation that I might be a good addition to the cast of characters on the list. That, and be able to contribute something of value once in a while. Which I try to do. That's the extent of my obligations. So go get your own answers about the bleeding Post loading dock!

4. If you want Budds head so very badly why not harass (him) instead of me? The fact that you dragged the 'Linda case' into a thread that had absolutely nothing to do with it tells me that something has this Texan 'chomping at the bit'! <G> Your anxieties are showing Dennis!

ONCE, AND FOR ALL,...

Ask *Budd* about Linda and her case. I have nothing to do with it. At all,... ever! Unnerstan Sasquatch?

To All,

Anyone wishing to discuss/critique the Elders, and Tom Kings' videotapes is most welcome to do so. (It's why I started the thread.) However, I will not respond to any further comments or questions concerning the "Linda case".

I'm not an expert on it, I don't care to discuss it publicly, and the simple truth is that I know nothing more than anyone else who has read the book.

John Velez

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>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

What do we know about these lights, Dennis? Well, you are right we need to investigate further, but the lights we saw and videotaped were not flares or airplane lights and were hovering over a reservation area with little habitation.

As for some of the daylight objects on video being video artifacts - I don't think so. We saw some of these clearly through binoculars.

As for video analysis - have you found any two analysts who agree?

In the end, it is the trained observer who is the expert here.

Bill Hamilton

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Alfred's Odd Ode #113

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>

Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 11:49:03 -0600

Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 15:43:14 -0500

Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #113

Apology to MW #113 (For March 19, 1997)

Why do we find our government revolting?
Why is it a thing that some despise?
Could it be its measures, heavy handed?
Could it be it=92s *kept* so high and dry?

I mean, congressman are speaking out,
(When not lining their own pockets).
They know that they have lost our trust.
They have crashed and burned our rockets.

The rocket, of course, is our reach into space.
We should be making every effort
To fly from our rock to a rightful proud place,
And play this strong song in new concert!

It=92s priority on this planet that precludes our success!
It=92s the treatment of the many by the few!
As long as privilege is forbidden to the common,
Then what=92s common will continue being screwed!

The watchers from space see our too tiny steps,
In the struggle to achieve the preferred rational.
A few live in splendor, at the expense of the many,
And the reasons there=92re many are aberrational!

We could be disgusting in the eyes of our watchers.
We, who ignore the despair of our streets. . . =20
We, who have *earned* our boss summer homes.
We, who have *padded* our fine stockinged feet.

We, who import all our toxins to third worlds.
We, who allow all the hate to unfold.
We, who spend now what was saved for tomorrow.
We, without courage, and so plainly un-bold . . .

Some try to peer through the government mist
Where hides all manner of strange occurrence.
Stories shift, duck, and weave beyond all recognition,
But much of it now gains concurrence!

The Navy accused of monumental coverup?
They shot the missile that threatened our sky?
Was this the same bunch that lied on their "Tailhook"?
If you lie about "fanny touching", you=92ll lie when folks die!

The gub-mint was complicit in the Gulf-War disease,
But they had their start with Orange Agents.
Much better to lie as your men waste and die . . . ?
Is this safe, is this sane, is this cogent?

That thing down at Roswell, strange craft in my pictures,
The waves of the sightings -- strange lights in the sky. . .
"It=92s national security," the =91man=92 says, what drives him.
"But security for who"! . . . is my question =96 my cry!

So why should we hate our government?
We get what we deserve
We get what we just tolerate --

Hoping comfort=92s not deterred. . .
=20

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

After you=92ve fought to uphold it for a quarter century =96 you=20
find yourself wanting it to mean something honest and true,=20
whatever the personal cost. If I have to live in a tent, and=20
eat mean for awhile =96 I brought it on myself. I was the one=20
that didn=92t sort my garbage; I was the one that opted for=20
single servings; I was the one fouled the air, killed the=20
water, and destroyed the seas. I was the one that gang raped
the land, and in the commission of my foul deed, left her=20
scarred and fighting back with AIDs & Ebola. I guess perhaps=20
it would be acceptable to detest a government that led you=20
down the primrose path to despair -- a despair one reaps when=20
one is complicit in the slow murder of THE one who holds you=20
in her arms...and most certainly one that covered up UFO=92s <g>.

Additionally, is anyone else concerned about the rash of=20
deformed frogs? I=92m positively freaking in the, predictable,=20
stony mainstream silence. Don=92t our esteemed and honored=20
real science boys have something really clever, learned,=20
and unctuous to contribute in their dodging, assuming,
and dissembling manner?

C=92mon boys =96 step up. Don=92t be shy. Tell us your half of=20
the truth.

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
Government's fundamentalist stake.

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From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:59:36 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 17:46:21 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:14:03 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

John Velez wrote:

>...Both of you gentlemen would be well served to purchase and
>view a copy of Brit and Lee Elders documentary, "Voyagers of
>the>Sixth Sun" In it the Elders conducted lengthy interviews
>with Mexico City Airport personnel. One of the more interesting
>accounts involves a near miss between a commercial airliner and a
>UFO. Unless "earth lights" ping when you hit them, you'll also
>have to add 'metallic content' to their physical properties! They
>also have some excellent video footage (daylight in clear skies)
>of these shiny silver metallic "earth lights" following aircraft
>as they take off and land, hovering and doing some pretty amazing
>manouvers for "natural phenomena"!

I don't have to see this video, John, as I interviewed the air traffic people myself. Moreover, I also saw many examples of the 'excellent video footage' via Mr Jaime Maussan and various of his 'Los Vigilantes'. I was deeply, profoundly underwhelmed by them, I have to say. Expert analysis revealed what some of these 'ufos' were (or were not, at least), and there is the fact that people were encouraged to take UFO shots to get their footage on TV. The lure of fame, even of the Warhol variety, moves people in strange ways. But with all those camcorders pointed towards the sky, in an active volcanic-tectonic plate zone, I would expect some anomalous aerial phenomena to get caught on video: I saw a couple of examples that seemed interesting.

Remember what I said in another reply to Greg Sandow - the devil is in the details. And what I said to Jerry Cohen - don't fall blindly into your culturally-conditioned state of perception... and don't let the likes of the Elders do it for you!

Best wishes,
Paul

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From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:46:25 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:52:15 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:04:28 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <"Greg Sandow"@prodigy.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

Greg Sandow wrote:

>... in one case he cites [Hudson Valley sightings], I'm sure
>he goes too far...
>... Forget what I said in paragraph one...I just browsed through
>Night Siege. Devereux has a point...

Thanks Greg. The devil is in the details, isn't he? As he often
is...

Paul

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EL/TST - TV Film

From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 17:03:43 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 17:47:49 -0500
Subject: EL/TST - TV Film

Dear List Members,

I hope North American members saw the Earth Lights film on Discovery Channel last Monday (17 March). If not, it is being repeated next Saturday, 22 March.

There's one point I should like to clarify: it states at the end that no light phenomenon was seen on Popocatepetl when we obtained erratic and anomalous geomagnetic readings. In fact, we saw a faint, flashing white light high on Popo's flanks. Unfortunately, the camera crew had returned to the hotel 40 miles away to pack for an early flight the next day, so weren't able to film it. I am disappointed that the commentary should have implied that nothing was seen.

Kind regards,
Paul.

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Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:56:23 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 17:49:16 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 19:48:59 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

Jerry wrote:

>I believe your theory has tended to neglect the fact that many
>ufologists already mentally put these "nocturnal light" cases
>in a lesser category, in view of the fact that out of the multitude
>of cases in existence, they are _lesser detailed cases_, and
>by definition, concern amorphous, rather than, "visibly-structured"
>objects. Therefore, although your work is highly interesting
>and will probably help us become aware of certain natural phenomena
>that exist on and within our planet, its applications to UFO
>sightings per se are necessarily limited.

Yes, well, I don't see it quite this way. The fact remains that LITS are the most common type of sighting. We have to ask ourselves what the real status of the 'structured craft' is - that's the point. I *know* that's what ETH ufologists are most interested in, and that's why they demote LITS, but that is a psychological preference, nothing to do with objectivity. It is in effect a cultural factor with these people.

As to the status of structured craft, let's look at it this way. A few centuries back 'structured' things seen in the sky would have been dragons or galleons sailing through the air. Now (at least not since the Great Airship thingy), people don't see dragons or galleons. They see spaceships (since 1947 - it was ghost planes or rockets prior to then). Could the 'structured craft' be *our* dragons and galleons? If not, where did the dragons and galleons go to?

Cultural expectation and conditioning affects perception. It does. It does. It does. More than we care to think.

But I don't want to pretend there is no mystery. There certainly is (earth lights are fabulous mysteries just by themselves - they will take us to the very heart of quantum thinking before they are done with us, mark my words.) I also think *other* things can be seen in the sky that are UFOs in a literal sense, but not in the ufological sense. For instance, back when I was about 9 years old, so that makes it around 1954, I was coming home from school at lunchtime with a school friend. We were walking up a hill in Leicestershire, central England. I suddenly noticed a *huge* airship, a dirigible, hovering near the crest of the hill. It was as long as three of the houses on the hilltop. It was black, it had a gondola, the sun revealed its ribbing, and there was steering tackle at the rear end. I stopped in my tracks, as did my friend, her jaw agape. "Do you see that?" I said as I turned to her. She didn't answer, but just stared ahead. I looked back - the airship was gone. We ran to the top of the hill, from where one can see half the county, and there was no sign of any airship anywhere. Needless to say, there were no airships flying in Britain at this time. I swear to you that this is a true account.

Many years later, when Andy York and I researched UFO reports in the county, we found that over a 20-year period there had been three reports of a "cigar shaped" object over that

very area of the county. In addition to my airship.

I don't know what to make of the airship, or whether it was connected with the later "cigar-shaped" object sightings. I don't think it was an earth light, and I don't think it was an alien spaceship. It was literally a phantom in the sky.

>Oh, by the way, do you feel that "norm" is actually established
>[with regard to EL/BOL]? If so, could you possibly point me to
>this information?

The best thing would be for you to read *Earth Lights Revelation*, if you can get hold of a copy nowadays. If you read that through, you'll have a pretty good grasp of the range of the EL phenomenon.

There is no one, standard form of EL, of course. Typically it is a roundish basketball-sized glowing object, but there are an infinite number of varieties on this. They can be as small as a few inches, or many metres across; they can be ovoid/discoid, square, rectangular, rod-shaped and simply slow flares of light. They can appear in daylight and artificial light as metallic - shiny or dull. They can last from seconds to an hour or more. They tend to haunt certain areas for days, weeks, months and - quite often - for generations (we are on geological time).

>What I find myself objecting to most concerning the presentations
>I have seen concerning Persinger's work is that it has been touted,
>by the media, as being the "solution" to the UFO enigma. If Persinger
>feels any differently, he most certainly has a major scientific
>obligation to correct this. Until he does, all protestations
>to the contrary, no serious UFO researcher can consider what
>he is doing as "scientifically ethical"...

No one can be held responsible for how the media present them. If Persinger or anyone wanted to complain, and did so, what do you think the media would do - re-run a programme, make an apology? Come on now! As it happens, I am sure Persinger *does* feel his approach is the right one to a large segment of the UFO phenomenon - you may think his 'style' is too imperious and annoying, you may disagree with details of his approach, as does Chris Rutowski, but you will find (as will Chris when he gets round to it) *whatever* one does comes under criticism by people who think they know better. It is easier to criticise than to do.

What gets up my nose (and it isn't an implant) is this self-righteous attitude towards Persinger by people who swallow whole (or at least keep quiet about) what the characters feeding government conspiracies, abduction investigations, and crashed saucers dole out. It is a question of getting priorities right, it seems to me. At the end of the day, we *know* that the attitude towards Persinger is predicated on a desire for his approach to be *wrong*. People want the fantasy of ETs. They want a crack at another species - humanity has got them down.

Let us all look deep into our hearts, shall we? Look for agendas that are hidden even from ourselves.

And on that thought, goodnight..
Paul

PS - as to your request to me to consider this and that specific case - I really cannot get into that: I am not paid to spend my life on this list, alas, any more than you are. I refer you to my earlier response to Steve (John?) Powell, and to read UFOs & UFOLOGY when it comes out, and to keeping your wits about you when dealing with cases, and not falling blindly into the cultural norm of perception about these things. If you find an alien craft, continue looking until you find galleons...

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Bill Hamilton said:

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>As for some of the daylight objects on video being video
>artifacts - I don't think so. We saw some of these
>clearly through binoculars.

Bill:

I wasn't talking here about what you saw being a video artifact: I was referring to the two gifs that Velez uploaded to this List and to some of the "puck"-like UFOs portrayed by the Elders in one of their videos. What I suggested was that anyone could demonstrate this fact for themselves by videotaping a bright Venus and blowing up a frame of same. If the late lamented Ron Johnson were still around, he could explain this to everyone. Not being a technician, I can't. But it has something to do (I think) with horizontal lines of resolution being drawn from left to right and how the pixels compensate for the brightness overload. Maybe Bob Shell or someone could jump in here and save my ignorant posterior, but the point is: the classic hockey puck UFO probably isn't a UFO at all, but especially if it stands still for a long period of time.

Dennis

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Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 17:10:04 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 09:05:48 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST
>To: updates@globalserve.net (UFO UpDates - Toronto)
>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 13:36:59 -0600 (CST)

Among other things, Chris wrote:

>My view is that *neither* the TST/EL theory or the ETH are fully
>supported by the available evidence at this time. Both have problems
>in their formulation, investigation, evidence and proof. I cannot
>endorse *either* theory at this time, but encourage rational,
>serious discussion on the subject in order to resolve the issue.

I fully agree with Chris in this view, and would only point out that is all we have been trying to do. But no one is asking Chris to endorse anything - that is his self-appointed role. What he could perhaps recognise is that the work we *are* doing on EL at the moment is precisely to address the shortcomings. (There will have to be more than mere discussion to resolve the matter, will there not?) Or, to put that another way, to research the matter in greater depth.

To do so, however, we *do* have to work on some assumptions - if only to test them!

>As a scientist, I must be objective, assessing all the data and
>not reaching conclusions before their time.

I could be unkind and say that scientists are obliged to keep up with events. And I could ask, "What about Black Holes?", "What about the Big Bang?" and what about a thousand other assumptions scientists operate on until the next major paradigm shift. Science is more pragmatic than scientists often like to admit. It isn't as pure as the driven snow. The same with EL research - we work on what we have until something better comes along. I know of no one who is claiming to say what EL are, what they consist of, what their nature is. We are only homing in on some of their characteristics and some of the conditions that apparently accompany their appearance.

The argument with Chris's stance up to now is that it has not been logical, in that he has demanded final proof of something while it is still at the research stage (ie. the reason for the research). Following that logic, it would mean that unless one had final proof of something, and knew exactly what it was, one shouldn't be researching into it. It is a self-destructive logic, and most certainly isn't the one that physics, say, and especially astrophysics, works to.

EL researchers who adopt the perfectly respectable norm of researching into something should not be held up to ridicule, nor should it be implied that they are New Age softies or potential con-men. If Chris's reasoned statement in his latest post means an end to that sort of thing, then we are all going to get along just fine.

Paul.

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Re: Philip J. Corso

From: **Chris Sanderson** <skygypsy@vegasnet.net>
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 17:59:54 -0800
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 09:03:42 -0500
Subject: Re: Philip J. Corso

On March 24, 1997, George Knapp, Emmy award-winning television journalist and co-producer of "UFOs: The Best Evidence" will speak at the Las Vegas, Nevada, MUFON meeting at Spring Valley Library in Las Vegas, NV at 7 p.m.

Mr. Knapp will speak on Philip J. Corso, presenting video which has never been seen by the public before. Free to the public. This is Part II of a lecture he began on January 27, 1997.

skygypsy@vegasnet.net
Christine Sanderson
MUFON State Section Director
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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 18:02:25 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 09:20:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

John Velez wrote:

>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 12:02:03 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>Until you have seen it, there's no basis for discussion is
>there? That, is the topic of the thread, not the Linda case.

Threads are a fine idea in principle, but the Net, as you might have noticed, is somewhat sloppy in practice. In other words, threads unravel and lead to other threads. This one has Earth lights in the title, for example, but I didn't notice you mentioning Earth lights anywhere in your own posting.

>2. Why are you involving me in the investigation of the Linda case?
>Other than to defend her reputation several months ago when she was
>being verbally ripped apart publicly, I've never said anything one
>way or another (anywhere) about my thoughts, feelings or interests
>in the case.

I'm not. Along with the suggestion that you familiarize yourself with known videotaping artifacts, I suggested visiting the Post docks as something you could do for yourself that might result in initial reflection about UFO cases, instead of open promotion without *any* investigation, however simple. How difficult and risky can it be, for example, to try to duplicate a hockey-puck UFO with your own video camera before anointing same as the real thing?

>You're the one who is so upset by it Dennis, not me. Why don't YOU
>go to the post loading docks at three AM! I have a wife and children
>and a grandson (I'd like to live long enough to dance at his wedding)
>who need me.

The main reason is that I live a half a continent away; but if and when I ever get the opportunity, I will. Activity levels at the docks is one of the few things about the case that *any* of us can check out. If it accords with Budd's characterization of same it clearly bolsters his case; if it doesn't, however, it conceivably calls some of his other characterizations into question.

>I don't owe you any explanations but because I like your accent
>I'll say something here. I am here (a member of this list) at the
>invitation of a very dear friend who felt that as an "abductee"
>and a member of Hopkins' Intruders Foundation that I might be a
>good addition to the cast of characters on the list. That, and be
>able to contribute something of value once in a while. Which I try
>to do. That's the extent of my obligations. So go get your own
>answers about the bleeding Post loading dock!

I appreciate your own experience, which also applies to the preceding paragraph, which I inadvertently snipped, and any social consequences you may have suffered by coming forth publicly with same. That said, I simply cautioned against anointing certain cases as UFOs at a distance, without waiting for a proper investigation and analysis. I realize

I'm revealing my years here, but I grow nostalgic for the days when UFO cases used to be investigated, not announced. I don't mean that you personally, of course, have to investigate every case, or me, either, for that matter. Netspeed, though, simply exacerbates the problem of premature pronouncement.

>4. If you want Budds head so very badly why not harass (him)
>instead of me? The fact that you dragged the 'Linda case' into a
>thread that had absolutely nothing to do with it tells me that
>something has this Texan 'chomping at the bit'! <G> Your anxieties
>are showing Dennis!

"Harass...dragged...chomping...anxieties..." What's next, CSICOP skeptic and/or government disinformation agent? Why is that someone who questions a particular case and some of the evidence presented in its favor simply can't be seen as in honest doubt about same, rather than cast as a semi-likeable scoundrel, but a scoundrel nonetheless? If raising issues and asking relevant questions is harassment, et cetera, then I stand as accused.

But where would I put Budd's head if I had it? Maybe on the mantle next to the mule deer and the Elders'? As for the latter's most recent video, I'll take a peep when I get the chance. But money in their pockets I will not put. Fool me once, shame on them, fool me twice...

The Hairy One

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The 'Elders'?

From: "Jill Savin" <jcsavin@mail.clark.net>
Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:34:52 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:03:52 -0500
Subject: The 'Elders'?

> Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:06:17 -0500
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft

> Anyone wishing to discuss/critique the Elders, and Tom Kings'
> videotapes is most welcome to do so. (It's why I started the
> thread.) However, I will not respond to any further comments or
> questions concerning the "Linda case".

> John Velez

I'm a newbie to the Internet, this list and UFO studies - can someone
give me a brief description of what the "Elders" are? <or direct me
where to go to get past material to read about it>

jill

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www.paranormalnetwork.com

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"Back off, man....I'm a scientist!"
bill murray - "Ghostbusters"

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Object seen 2 years ago over Idaho

From: joel henry <jhenry@wavefront.com>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 08:37:24 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:13:47 -0500
Subject: Object seen 2 years ago over Idaho

I am webmaster of the Minnesota MUFON UFO Web Page as well as a MUFON Field Investigator and I recieved the message below regarding a UFO over Idaho 2 years ago. Anyone out there have info on this?

Message as follows:

>I live in payette idaho i stumbled upon your web page. I am
>wondereing if you know of a bright light that was spotted by
>many people in the area from Ontario, Oregon to Boise Idaho
>down into Nevada and not on a straight line of transfer. Boise
>state university stated there sysmographic telescope recorded
>a sound similar to the space shuttle on reentry. This took place
>a couple of years back. Wondering if you had any more info or
>could direct me to some.
>Thanks

I can be reached at jhenry@wavefront.com
Joel Henry

Minnesota MUFON Webmaster
Minnesota MUFON Web Page= <http://www.wavefront.com/~jhenry/index.html>

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Re: The 'Elders'?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:12:31 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:12:31 -0500
Subject: Re: The 'Elders'?

>From: "Jill Savin" <jcsavin@mail.clark.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:34:52 +0000
>Subject: UFO UpDate: The 'Elders'?

>I'm a newbie to the Internet, this list and UFO studies - can someone=20
>give me a brief description of what the "Elders" are? <or direct me=20
>where to go to get past material to read about it>

Jill,

'Who' not 'What' "the 'Elders' are?" Britt and Lee Elders.

A visit to:

<http://altavista.digital.com/>

(my most-used search-engine) brought forth the following:

Word count: Britt+Lee+Elders: about 18
Documents matching the query, best matches first.

No Title

quot;STORIES FROM THE SKIES" An Interview With Britt and Lee=20
Elders. Conducted by Richard Rodgers. Over the years, UFO=20
buffs have come to know and...=20
<http://www.newageinfo.com/articles/intervie/elders.htm> --=20
size 18K - 3 Dec 96

No Title

From: cc203@cleveland.Freenet.Edu (David R. Stepien)=20
Subject: CSETI interacts with ET craft in Mexico - Part 1=20
Date: 29 Dec 93 15:30:49 GMT Organization:..=20

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http://www.schmitzware.com/IUFOG/Gov/CSETI_interacts_with_ET_craft_in_Mexico.txt=20
- size 33K - 3 May 95

Meier Case (Part 3)

160; MEIER, il Profeta degli Extraterrestri Come cambiare la=20
propria vita sfruttando la credulit=E0 della gente di Maurizio=20
Verga. Parte III. Salta a.=20
<http://oasi.shiny.it/Homes/CISU/meier3.htm> - size 50K - 12=20
Nov 96

No Title

SUBJECT: MEIER A SECOND OPINION FILE: UFO1013 Part 2 He also=20
said he had photographed and filmed UFOs that resembled=20
hub-caps; tape-recorded their noises,..=20
<http://www.garlic.com/ufo/txt2/1013.ufo> - size 4K - 28 May=20
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No Title

SUBJECT: FARMER'S TALES OF SPACE TRAVEL WON'T FLY WITH MANY=20
UFO BUFFS FILE: UFO2546 Farmer's Tales Of Space Travel Won't=20
Fly With Many Ufo Buffs 06/24/87..

<http://www.ufobbs.com/txt3/2546.ufo> - size 11K - 9 Jun 96

No Title

SUBJECT: MEXICO CITY SIGHTINGS FILE: UFO3291 To: All Message=20
#: 2515 From: Vince Johnson Submitted: 04 Feb 93 13:29:00=20
Subject: Mexico City Sightings...=20
<http://www.ufobbs.com/ufo/txt4/3291.ufo> - size 9K - 16 Jun=20
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No Title

Una guida alle cassette della Columbia Tristar UFO IN=20
VIDEOCASSETTA: GLI ALIENI FANNO SPETTACOLO a cura di Matteo=20
Leone e Paolo Toselli Nel febbraio 1992,.=20
<http://oasi.shiny.it/Homes/CISU/testi/video.r16> - size 42K --=20
12 Nov 96

No Title

SUBJECT: CHUCK HARDER INTERVIEW FILE: UFO1258 041/046 23 Dec=20
89 22:08:00 From: Michael Corbin To: All Subj: Knapp=20
Interview #1 Attr:...=20
<http://www.ufobbs.com/ufo/txt2/1258.ufo> - size 29K - 28 May=20
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No Title

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International Newsletter of the Italian..=20
<http://services.csi.it/~ufo/itur24.htm> - size 41K - 30 Oct=20
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Plejaderna bes=F6ker Florida

MEIERS=A0V=C4NNER G=C5R IGEN I FLORIDA. Kusiner till den m=E4nkskliga=20
rasen bor i Plejadernas stj=E4rnbild - och en schweizisk bonde=20
var deras...
<http://www.wufoc.com/florida.htm> - size 6K - 18 Oct 96

No Title

SUBJECT: LIGHT YEARS, THE MEIER CASE FILE: UFO1490 (593) Tue=20
4 Feb 92 18:26 By: Don Allen To: All Re: LY Summary pt=20
1/5... <http://www.ufobbs.com/txt2/1490.ufo> - size 35K - 28=20
May 96

Pleiadeans back. This time in Florida

MEIERS=A0FRIENDS BACK AGAIN - IN FLORIDA. Cousins of the human=20
race lives in the Pleiadean starconstilation - and a Swizz=20
farmer was their trustee on earth..=20
<http://www.wufoc.com/ukflorid.htm> - size 6K - 19 Oct 96

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Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 02:19:36 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 09:42:34 -0500
Subject: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 02:19:36 -0500
From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
To: updates@globalserve.net
Subject: that damn loading dock

Did I hear John Velez calling my name?

In an exchange with Dennis Stacy, he mentioned that I'd visited the much-debated NY Post loading dock, from which workers might have seen the UFO that abducted the equally much-debated Linda "Cortile."

And it's true, I did. I've been writing an evaluation of the Linda case for IUR, the CUFOS publication. It got so big that it's going to be printed in two parts. The first, which should be available in just a few days, covers:

- the alleged events of the case, with emphasis on how unbelievable they seem
- obvious difficulties with it, most notably the failure of the main alleged witnesses to come forward publicly
- an examination of two peripheral witnesses, people who supposedly saw the UFO or the light from it, without seeing the actual alleged abduction (I interviewed one of them, and talked to the closest surviving relative of the other.)
- an impression of two of the unavailable principal witnesses - "Richard" and "Janet Kimball" - from tapes of their testimony. The Kimball tapes are quite extensive.

Part two, which I haven't written yet, will cover the following:

- the documentary evidence: letters from "Richard," "Dan," "Janet Kimball," and, allegedly, former UN Secretary-General Perez de Cuellar, who supposedly was involved. (I'm using his name, even though Budd hides it in his book, because it's pointless not to. It's widely known by now.)
- the skeptical criticism of the case by Hansen, Stefula, and Butler, which has circulated pretty widely. That's where the loading dock comes in. Because the dock is just two blocks from Linda's building, the workers might have seen the UFO as it allegedly hovered overhead.
- some holes in the evidence, and problems with Budd's investigation (beyond any cited by the critical three)
- an impression of Cortile herself, based on eight hours of interviews. The state of her marriage is one big topic here, for reasons evident to anyone who's read Budd's book "Witnessed," which describes the case.

I don't think it's fair to scoop IUR, and publish here everything they're going to print.

But, since I've told a number of people, I'll give a brief account of what I found at the loading dock, which I did indeed visit at three in the goddamn morning, just to see what's going

on there at the time the UFO supposedly was seen. I then visited the dock by day, and returned there a third time, at midnight, just to make additional observations of the place at night.

Anyhow, I'd summarize my conclusions like this. First, the debate:

Hansen, Stefula, and Butler say the dock is so close to Linda's building that workers there would certainly have seen the UFO. They say they asked, and none did. Peter Brookesmith published a daytime picture of the building as seen from the loading dock in his book "UFO: The Government Files," to underline his belief that H, S and B were right.

Budd published a rebuttal to H, S, & B in IUR. He says that the dock faces away from Linda's building (which Brookesmith's picture clearly shows), so workers inside wouldn't have been able to see a UFO above it.

Both sides are wrong. At 3 AM, the traffic near the dock is nearly as thick as Times Square at rush hour. It ebbs, sometimes (I spent an hour down there), but trucks keep driving up to the dock and idling outside it, facing Linda's building. The drivers park across the street from the dock. They walk to their trucks and back, walk from a diner on the corner and back. There was nearly always someone on the street. At one point there was even an impromptu union meeting, involving about 15 guys. Budd is clearly wrong in saying the workers could not have seen a UFO, if one was there. They easily might have.

But Brookesmith's picture gives entirely the wrong impression. By day, the building actually looks a lot closer than it does in his photo, which is important: It's so close and so tall that you can't see the top of it when you're parked just outside the dock. I'll save a long discussion of the difference in height between the trucks and my car, but the situation isn't nearly as clear as Brookesmith and the three made it out to be. The drivers might only have seen the UFO from their trucks when they were approaching the dock; by the time they'd reached it, the UFO would have been out of their line of sight. (Sorry, Peter! I know we've discussed this privately...I'm sorry I have to drag you through it all over again...)

As for people walking around, what Brookesmith's picture doesn't show (and the three critics don't acknowledge) is that the building all but disappears from view at night. Again, I'll save details of the differences between clear and cloudy nights for IUR, but at 3 AM, with most of its windows dark, the building recedes far into the background, above all because the area just around the dock is flooded with light from street lamps and the dock itself. You're in your own little world when you're down there, and the more guys who are out and about, the more that's true. They're busy talking to each other. It's not clear at all that they'd look up. I had to force myself to do that, and so did the friend who went down there with me. Our natural inclination, hanging out and talking with the drivers, was never to look outside the little bubble of light the whole area feels like it's in.

Conversation with the drivers was inconclusive. Nor can I judge what kind of light the UFO would shed, except to say that it would have had to have been hugely bright to change the light around the loading dock.

There's yet another factor. Linda told me that in 1989, when all this supposedly happened, there was a cafeteria and even a bar inside the NY Post building, which the drivers used to go to when they parked their trucks. The Post told me this is true. So there may well have been fewer drivers on the street at 3 AM back then. (I don't even want to think about the drivers chugging down a few at the bar, and then going out to drive...I'm mesmerized enough by the thought of what the journalists, always an alcohol-friendly crowd, were drinking...)

What I conclude is that the whole thing is a wash. Remember that the UFO was, supposedly, only in view for 90 seconds, and maybe less. I noticed 90-second intervals -- rare, but they did exist -- with nobody around. The drivers might have seen it, if it was really there. But then again, they might not have; I found that just as plausible. I'm also not convinced we know whether anybody saw it. Hansen, Stefula, and Butler are so wildly inaccurate

(apparently dishonest, even) in their most detailed accusation -- that the events of the case bear a suspicious resemblance to a little-known UFO novel -- that, quite frankly, I'm not prepared to believe anything they say their investigation uncovered.

Budd, of course, should have found out about the loading dock himself, and run down there to question all the workers. That's a big mistake on his part. But at this point, eight years afterward, I doubt we'll ever know whether anyone saw anything, unless we do what Kevin Randle did with Roswell: get a list of everyone who was working that night, and track them all down. Until that happens, all we can say is that some of the workers might have seen the UFO, and on the other hand none of them might have. That's all we know -- and so the loading dock shouldn't be a part of the Linda case debate.

Greg Sandow

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Recent Sightings in Eastern Ontario, Canada?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:54:19 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:54:19 -0500
Subject: Recent Sightings in Eastern Ontario, Canada?

MUFON Ontario has been hearing rumours of sightings in Eastern Ontario, which are similar in description to the recent Arizona 'orange lights'. They apparently occurred last Tuesday night, March 18.

Have any subscribers in the Ottawa, Belleville, area seen or heard of any such reports?

ebk

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Alfred's Odd Ode #114

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:01:21 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 16:58:14 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #114

Apology to MW #114 (For March 20, 1997)

I have *good* news for my more reproductionist readers.
The ones with republican banners held high.
The ones most driven insane with Ebonics <g>.
The ones most advantaged by the -- =91old college try=92. . .

Your youth is conservative =96 make long stories short. . .
They don=92t accept a challenge to their faith.
They ignore the protestations of their professors;
They will break if they bend, they=92re so straight!

"Don=92t clutter up my issue," they angrily respond.
"If we were REALLY in some trouble they would TELL US!"
"I=92ve got to finish this college =96 make money, consume!"
"Other=92s starving is not my problem, YOU be serious."

I don=92t bug them, or berate. I=92m not a bully!
And I don=92t want them scared, or angry that I=92m pissed!
But they=92re learning nothing in this hallowed college,
When offended, they try to censor, "Schindler=92s List."

Or ask them if aware that there=92s a comet --
From an astronomic *only* point of view! =20
Forget any question on erstwhile companions
They get vacant stares, and ask you, "where=92s the brew"?=20

They laugh at Navy missiles downing aircraft.
They sneer regarding sick bees.
They think that they can live without frogs, or bogs;=20
They think they can live without trees!

And who=92s in the know to drive them to, and to fro.
Well, they listen to the likes of Rush Limbaugh.
That debater from hell, rots their minds, and they smell. . .
Like good soldiers they =91rush=92 to the Right =96 Bah!

I=92m an Ed major, and there are many more women,
And I think that there=92s a point they=92ve really missed.=20
In a roomful of young women, I am married =96 un-distracted
So =96 HOW IS IT I=92M THE ONLY FEMINIST?

Where is their rage when they take second billing?
Where is their fury at reception of scorn?
Where is their anger at crass disrespect?
Are they wishing for his diamond; waiting for his horn?

I should be counseling restraint at my age!
"Whoa"! . . .should be my advice to our young!
But I find that these children have eclipsed even my parents!
They=92re bereft of all *wonder*, and they pray with their guns.

~

They=92re homophobic, and mysogenistic,
They=92re sociopathic, anti-Semitic, and sub-realistic!=20
They=92re racist in spirit, in their church you can hear it,
And a contrary view is their reason to fear it.

Lehmborg@snowhill.com

So how about these kid=92s today, eh? Life in the bible belt. . .and somehow, IMHO, not part of God=92s plan.

Consider this =96 the fundamentalist Christian is legend at an *unerring ability* to sniff out Satan, wherever he pops up for utility. Satan is found by them (FC=92s) as they play records backwards, as they picket abortion clinics, and as they revile Howard Stern. The FC sees Satan on the internet, or in a public school, but she can=92t (or won=92t) find him where his emblem is worn as a badge of respected, accepted, and treasured pride! And that spot is on the left breast, OVER THE HEART, of every educated physician that has ever sworn the Hippocratic oath, and wears the Caduceus of the Medical profession.

<Gasp =85 swoon =96 outrage!>

Yes, Mr. And Mrs. Christian America, your *friendly* doctor is an agent of Satan, wears his badge, and sings his professional song. The key words for your own research on this *outrageous* statement are "Enki" (ancient medical god), "Prince of the Earth", "Caduceus" (medical), Serpent (biblical), Satan (evolution of, historical roots), "Nefilim," "Hermes", Thoth (son of Enki, and "magic." The thread is there.

This Alien View can be a wild ride =96 hang on!

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake. Hermes just brought the message.

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 97 09:48:49 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 17:23:55 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 18:02:24 -0600 (CST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>You won't like this, either, but most of the "pucks" I've
>seen, including the two you recently downloaded to the
>list, are artifacts of the video recording process. In
>fact, the black bar underneath is a dead giveaway of same.

>You can demonstrate this to yourself by going out and
>videotaping Venus on some clear evening when it's extremely
>bright against the dark sky. Then grab a frame of same. What
>do you see? The late Ron Johnson demonstrated this effect
>quite convincingly by doing just that and comparing same to -
>guess what? Pictures of Venus taken during the daytime solar
>eclipse from Mexico City and passed off by the Elders in
>their first video, "Messengers of Destiny" (if memory serves
>me on the name), as the real thing.

Dear Dennis,

Since I am a computer analyst I have decided to learn how image analysis is done as I would like to be able to do my own analysis. I have learned that there are questionable videos out there showing insects, spider webs, etc because some do not take the time to learn how videocams work. I went to the local library and checked out a couple of books. The information is out there and you will see how you can get an alteration of your image by changing the shutter speed even though the frame speed doesn't change. Some of the Mexico videos show objects moving through the clouds or behind buildings so I do not think all these video images equal the same thing. Some may have taped "Venus" during the eclipse, but I think each has to be examined on a tape-by-tape basis. Tom King has gotten some very interesting footage here in Arizona, but some of it I can explain. Tom admits this, but he is out there in the field trying while most sit home forming lofty opinions.

My stance is this: Get out in the field and investigate. Collect all the facts you can, then analyze, analyze, analyze..

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton

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Re: Philip J. Corso

From: joel henry <jhenry@wavefront.com>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:01:44 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 16:59:31 -0500
Subject: Re: Philip J. Corso

>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 17:59:54 -0800
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>Reply-To: skygypsy@vegasnet.net
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Philip J. Corso

>On March 24, 1997, George Knapp, Emmy award-winning television
>journalist and co-producer of "UFOs: The Best Evidence" will speak at
>the Las Vegas, Nevada, MUFON meeting at Spring Valley Library in Las
>Vegas, NV at 7 p.m.

>Mr. Knapp will speak on Philip J. Corso, presenting video which has never
>been seen by the public before. Free to the public. This is Part II of
>a lecture he began on January 27, 1997.

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>-----
> skygypsy@vegasnet.net
> Christine Sanderson
> MUFON State Section Director
> Clark County/Las Vegas, NV

If someone could videotape this, I will pay for the videotape
and shipping so Minnesota MUFON members could view it at our
meetings. I think they would be very interested in what Mr.
Knapp has to say.

Thanks
Joel Henry

Minnesota MUFON Webmaster
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Re: EL/TST

From: Jean van Gemert <jeanvg@dds.nl>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 18:41:20 +0100 (MET)
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 21:19:14 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:59:36 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: EL/TST

>I don't have to see this video, John, as I interviewed the air
>traffic people myself. Moreover, I also saw many examples of the

I think John's advice was rather appropriate as your own ideas of what happened are at variance with the witnesses' interpretations and some of the evidence. John rightfully pointed out that the collision between what you classify as an "EL" and an airplane resulted in 1) structural damage to the plane and 2) involved a thump felt by the passengers and crew as the two objects collided.

> 'excellent video footage' via Mr Jaime Maussan and various of
> his 'Los Vigilantes'. I was deeply, profoundly underwhelmed by
> them, I have to say. Expert analysis revealed what some of these
> 'ufos' were (or were not, at least), and there is the fact that

Well, many, if not most on this list, are profoundly underwhelmed by your own theories and the manner in which you interpret evidence. All you have here is a private *opinion*, which, in the absence of direct references to the tapes you've been asked to see, are meaningless. As for your "expert analysis," I'm sure you'll understand we'd love to see some references.

> people were encouraged to take UFO shots to get their footage
> on TV. The lure of fame, even of the Warhol variety, moves people
> in strange ways. But with all those camcorders pointed towards

Ah yes, vintage Debunker Talk. People make mistakes, people hoax, etc. and therefore the footage of disk-shaped objects just can't be real. All I see here are guesses and statements of preference; I've yet to see a single shred of direct evidence for your claims.

> the sky, in an active volcanic-tectonic plate zone, I would expect
> some anomalous aerial phenomena to get caught on video: I saw
> a couple of examples that seemed interesting.

I think I'm beginning get the gist of Devereux's modus operandi; Footage that tends to *support* his earthlight theory is deemed "real" in an instant, *even if* it is taken by those he accuses of seeking "fame." Any evidence that is inconsistent with his EL theory is thrown in the garbage bin because it has to be hoaxed, can't be real, etc. Any evidence for all of this? Nope, just his opinion.

> blindly into your culturally-conditioned state of perception...

"Culturally-conditioned state of perception," nice phrase. It really translates into "people just can't be seeing those things for real as I [Devereux] believe it's not possible."

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UFO UpDate: Cover-Up in Arizona & Big lawsuit?

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Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 21:43:02 -0500
Subject: UFO UpDate: Cover-Up in Arizona & Big lawsuit?

>Subject: AUFORA: Coverup in Arizona?
>Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 18:35:14 -0700
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>To: <aufora@spots.ab.ca>

AUFORA News Update
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> COVERUP IN ARIZONA?
> from Tom King - xalium@netwrx.net

> As sad as it seems a military cover-up of the event
> that took place March 13 is in action.

The military is now claiming it was responsible for the
> sightings by testing Parachute flares some 40 or more
> miles south of Phoenix at a military test range.

> They are taking the credit for
> the objects and claim all of us are mistaken, including
> an airline pilot who saw the object directly over his
> aircraft as he was taking off.

If, as the story states, the military are accepting responsibility for the "flares" being seen in and around Pheonix then it would seem that they are setting themselves up for a very large multimillion dollar law suit. DO NOT take lightly the sighting of the airline pilot taking off and spotting - what the military is claiming responsibility for- a flare just above his aircraft. What the hell was the military doing firing flares in civilian airspace.

Airspace is guarded jealously WITH A VENGEANCE by the FAA and TSB (Transportation Safety Board). This is just not allowed to happen folks. Concentrate some effort here. Contact the affected airline and ask in light of recent statements that the military has made that they are launching "flares" indiscriminately in FAA controlled airspace and thereby endangering civil transport carriers, what action they are going to take visa vie the incident with one of their aircraft.

With recent accusations surrounding TWA flight 800, I would be very surprised if the military stayed firm on their story

> Flare tests go on many times a year on the military
> range and it has NEVER resulted in mass sightings with
> 5 videos, and thousands of witnesses, pilots mistaking
> flares 50 miles away, for being over the city, and news
> coverage over a dozen times. Are you getting the picture
> yet???

Tests and exercises such as the above are always repeat ALWAYS carried out in military restricted airspace called MOAs and are NOTAMED regularly and marked clearly on all types of Air Navigation charts as

to their location,dates and hours of effective operation.
I cannot stress enough the preponderance of Air Regulations that govern flight in North America and the world and are not tolerant of any breech of same whether civil OR MILITARY. They HAVE to operate within those regulations the same as everyone else or suffer the consequences.

Don Ledger-Pilot
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P.S. Any other pilots out there should feel free to jump into the fray.

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Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 18:41:33 +0100 (MET)
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 21:39:46 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:56:23 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: EL/TST & Galleons...

>Yes, well, I don't see it quite this way. The fact remains that
>LITS are the most common type of sighting.

Bzzzt! Wrong answer. Even the early USAF's Project Grudge broke down the basic type of shapes as follows:

- 1) "The most numerous reports indicate daytime observation of metallic disk-like objects roughly in diameter ten times their thickness."
- 2) "Rocket-like objects."
- 3) "Sharply defined luminous objects" appearing as lights at night.

NICAP's analysis, encompassing reports from 1942 to the end of 1963, found that the pattern above was "well established."

>or galleons. They see spaceships (since 1947 - it was ghost planes
>or rockets prior to then). Could the 'structured craft' be *our*
>dragons and galleons? If not, where did the dragons and galleons
>go to?

Hmm, quite a fallacious argument you have here Devereux, as you've failed to provide even one shred of evidence that reports of flying saucers are in any way directly related to that psychological mechanism that "caused" people to "see" dragons in those days. And surely you wouldn't want be arguing either that Agatha Christie's novels are "evidence" that there were no murders in England from 1900-1950?

Right?

>infinite number of varieties on this. They can be as small as
>a few inches, or many metres across; they can be ovoid/discoid,
>square, rectangular, rod-shaped and simply slow flares of light.
>They can appear in daylight and artificial light as metallic - shiny
>or dull. They can last from seconds to an hour or more. They
>tend to haunt certain areas for days, weeks, months and - quite
>often - for generations (we are on geological time).

This is a good one! Devereux sets up a list of *imaginary* EL characteristics for which not one bit of evidence exists, and then claims his "theory" can explain all reports that feature these traits. This argument doesn't even warrant further comment as it's too silly! If you want to score a point, Paul, I suggest you *first prove* (preferably in a laboratory) that ELs *can* "appear" as "metallic," and have a "avoid/discoid, square," etc. shape in the first place. For now, you've only *manifested* what Rutkowski and others have been saying all along.

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:58:04 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 20:56:05 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Greg Sandow wrote:

[snip, snip, snip]

>Budd, of course, should have found out about the loading dock
>himself, and run down there to question all the workers. That's a
>big mistake on his part. But at this point, eight years
>afterward, I doubt we'll ever know whether anyone saw anything,
>unless we do what Kevin Randle did with Roswell: get a list of
>everyone who was working that night, and track them all down.
>Until that happens, all we can say is that some of the workers
>might have seen the UFO, and on the other hand none of them might
>have. That's all we know -- and so the loading dock shouldn't be
>a part of the Linda case debate.

>Greg Sandow

Whoa, Greg!

Not a part of the debate, how so? You forgot to mention the car stalls on the Brooklyn Bridge and underneath the FDR overpass, both of which locations were further away than the Post loading docks. Workers may not have necessarily seen a UFO hovering nearby, but they would damn sure have noticed 10, 20 or 30 delivery trucks all stalling out simultaneously. The UFO was reported as extremely bright, "burning," in fact. Dan or Richard saw it reflected in a gum wrapper, fer cryin' out loud. Surely it would have shone off other parked car and truck windshields or other reflective sources. (Or by a driver leaving and approaching from a different angle, who might have even seen the UFO disappear into the Hudson River.) It would take only one person to notice same to alert everyone else in the parking lot to it. In which case, in NY's competitive dog-eat-dog market, the Post would have scored a sensational scoop. Instead, not a peep.

It also belongs in the debate as an indicator of what kind of original investigation--or lack thereof--was conducted to begin with. Here's a potentially, in-place, large witness pool, for example, and it seems to have hardly been tapped at all. For all I and other readers know, this same kind of "investigation" might have been conducted at the heliport towards which Perez de Cuellar was supposedly headed, in efforts to determine Perez's whereabouts on the days his alleged "Third Man" letters were supposedly posted to Budd, in attempts to learn Dan and Richard's identity, and so on.

I don't see how the Post docks can be arbitrarily eliminated from consideration simply by fiat. What they are is a damned nuisance or "inconvenience" that needs to be adequately addressed, rather than waved off. After all, consider the alternative scenario: How much would the believability of the case have been bolstered if only one or two dock workers or drivers surfaced as reliable eyewitnesses? One has to wonder why, with that potential confirmation theoretically fairly easy at hand, more of an effort wasn't made to locate it. It could have been a "case-maker," in other words, especially if the Post witness(es) would have allowed their name(s) to be used. How much would a tabloid pay for the headline: "I SAW THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UN ABDUCTED BY ALIENS!"?

Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Platter and drum-roll, please!

The Hairy Head-Hunter

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UFOs On Aircraft Frequencies

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
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Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 23:05:45 -0500
Subject: UFOs On Aircraft Frequencies

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Date: 20 Mar 1997 05:02:54 GMT
From: "TONY O'NEIL" <anton8@ix.netcom.com>
Subject: Mon. Night over N.New England
To: alt.paranet.ufo

Well folks I am a lurker. Something happened Monday night over northern Vermont and New Hampshire that I feel I should let you all know about. I am what you would call an open minded skeptic. I'm not a big believer in a Hale-Bopp companion or that guy in Europe that has UFO's posing for him or even that emergency room doctor that supposedly attracts UFO's with flashlights. No, I am more of a Stanton Friedman and Don Ecker fan. Well now you know where I'm coming from let me tell you what I heard. I own a BC 860XLT, 100 channel-12 band, Uniden Bearcat scanner. Out of those 100 channels I have approximately 30 aircraft frequencies programed in. About 7:20 PM EST, Monday, March 17, I put the scanner on. At about 7:25 I noticed alot of talking on the aircraft frq. Usually they are giving altitudes, direction etc. No long-winded conversation. I turned the TV down and the scanner up. The first thing I heard was a pilot saying "it went right in front of us and disappeared into the horizon". Next thing you know everybody is seeing something up there. "It had fire coming out of the back and left a smoke contrail", one pilot said. Most dramatic that I heard was Burlington approach asking a pilot what he saw and he responded with this. "A bright light approached us went vertical and disappeared". With what I could tell there had to be at least 6 jet pilots talking about this. They were asked by the tower if they wanted to make reports. They all said they did. One jet was 35 mi. east of Burlington, Vt. and another one was 150mi. NE of Albany, NY. One pilot thought it was a rocket or a missile because he stated so. He also sounded perturbed that the thing was flying at this level. UFO????? Missile or rocket, if it was one of these what the hell is it doing flying at commercial aircraft flight level. TWA Flight 200 rings a bell with me. What ever it was it something unusual happened Monday night. Well I'll go back to lurking now. I thought this was so unusual I had to post.

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Hubble's Sharpest Views of Mars Available

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Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 22:42:28 -0500
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HUBBLE'S SHARPEST VIEWS OF MARS AVAILABLE

New, sharpest-ever views of the planet Mars taken by the Wide Field Planetary Camera-2 (WFPC2) aboard NASA's Hubble Space Telescope on March 10, 1997 (following the successful STS-82 Hubble second servicing mission), clearly show clouds, dust storms, polar caps and other bright and dark markings known to astronomers for more than a century. Taken just before Mars opposition -- when the red planet comes closest to the Earth this year (about 60 million miles or 100 million km) -- the images were contained in a single picture element (pixel) in WFPC2's Planetary Camera which spans 13 miles (22 km) on the Martian surface.

These images show the planet during the transition between spring and summer in the northern hemisphere (summer solstice). The annual north-polar, carbon-dioxide frost (dry ice) cap is rapidly subliming, revealing the much smaller permanent water-ice cap, along with a few nearby detached regions of surface frost.

Hubble is being used to monitor dust storm activity to support the Mars Pathfinder and Mars Global Surveyor Orbiter Missions, which are currently en route to Mars. Hubble's "weather report" from these images, is invaluable for Mars Pathfinder, which is scheduled for a July 4 landing. These images show no evidence for large-scale dust storm activity, which plagued a previous Mars mission in the early 1970s.

Images are available to news media representatives by calling 202/358-1900. Photo numbers are:

Color: Syrtis Major	97-HC-136
Mars at Opposition	97-HC-137

Image files are also available on the Internet on GIF and JPEG formats via anonymous ftp from

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Fwd Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 22:59:19 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

> Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 02:19:36 -0500
> From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: that damn loading dock

Greg and all:

I just want to add that just because you are outside, doesn't mean you will necessarily notice whats going on in a particular section of the sky. I have been filming Hale-Bopp at 4:00 AM for two weeks. I am shooting progressive shots from 5-60 secs.with varying speeds of film. This requires me to count 1001, 1002, etc. I tend to be totally focused on my work.I was amazed about the fifth morning when I finally took time to turn around and see what else was in the night sky. It was so cold I only wanted to shoot and crawl back into bed. As long as it is quiet I would not have noticed anything in the remaining 3/4's of the sky.

The night of the Linda case the temperatures "flirted" with freezing and there was a breeze (according to the New York Times). I sincerely doubt many truckers would have hung around outside looking up...

I am not endorsing the Linda case, as Greg knows I have spent literally a couple hundred hours working on it, but the loading dock angle is not what I would consider to be a decisive issue...

Pam

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Alfred's Odd Ode #115

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 06:08:29 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 18:56:58 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #115

Apology to MW #115 (For March 21, 1997)

Let=92s take as a given that EBE=92s hidden
In a mind=92s conscious will to look *down*.
Complacent, but comfortable, this person is culpable
In an ignorance worn like a crown.

In the news groups the bully, the hooter derider
That is discomfited by any the new info --
Like Chinese characters on Olmec shards,
And at THAT hear him caw like an galled crow.

This is the guy who when faced with new thought --
Well -- the first move he makes is to _ jeer _.
Any words are just smirks, and he comes off as a jerk
Because any point that he had is obscured in his sneer!=20

There is no real interest, only fear at a new thing.
That fear is understandable, if un-condonable.
The guy likes his world just the way that it=92s curled;
He finds your enigma unsettling -- objectionable.

And what _of_ enigma that flowers our universe. . .
Behind every pinprick unperceived in our sight!
Galaxies swirl, and collide in slow cadence!
We=92re *aware* in this blackness of unending bright night. . .

NOW, fly with me skyward, (and the earth shrinks behind);
Don=92t look back! (the moon sails by on the right)!
We head out to Mars, (a red dot in the stars),
(Stars hard, and unblinking -- cold fright)!

See, the best star gazing you ever encountered . . .
Well =96 Hold that time in your mind!
See the stars up above you, even red, green, or bright blue?
There, only HALF of the sky, do you find!

Now come back to me -- out to Mars we were cruising,
Way out in those starry, stellar reaches. . . ?
(Beneath your bare feet. . .see new stars)! Ain=92t that NEAT!
(The WHOLE sky =96 and stars as there are grains on all our beaches).

Wake up! Snap out of it =96 come on back, you!
(The red planet . . . sails quickly up, and on your left)!
No time for an entry, so we=92ll stay up here gently,
And ruminat. . . where we=92re bereft <g>.

Can the skeptic long deny anomalous enigma?
And, meet every challenge with unbrave hue and cry?
Must he heap with disgrace, or try to debase
Every contrary thought, or idea that=92s tried?

I=92ll leave you out here to think it over <g>.
. . .And don=92t get your panties in a wad!
The Earth is bright blue, and calling to you. . .
(But I=92m gone with a wink, and a nod).=20

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Now don=92t hurry back! Linger for awhile, to see what there is to see.

You=9211 find that there is more than you imagine =96 more than you _can_ imagine.=20

Check out the Masonic temples on the surface, frin=92stance <g>.

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake, and before actually cleaving those heavens!

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Pam Klemm makes good sense.

> Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 22:39:23 -0500 (EST)
> From: "Klemm - Pamela S." <psklemm@umd5.umd.edu>
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

> I just want to add that just because you are outside, doesn't
> mean you will necessarily notice whats going on in a
> particular section of the sky.

Exactly my point. One worker at the dock did tell me that they all noticed the commotion whenever somebody tried to jump off the bridge. (For those who might not know, jumping from the Brooklyn Bridge is something of a New York tradition.) "Do people really jump in the middle of the night?" I asked, amazed. He said they did, and added that the drivers would notice that something was going on because they'd see searchlights from police helicopters. But of course those helicopters would be around for more than the 90 seconds the UFO sighting supposedly lasted. And they'd make noise.

(Note, by the way, that these hour-of-the-wolf jumps never make the papers in New York. Never assume that something newsworthy in Dallas or Duluth will even be mentioned in this crazy place.)

> The night of the Linda case the temperatures "flirted" with
> freezing and there was a breeze (according to the New York
> Times). I sincerely doubt many truckers would have hung
> around outside looking up...

One driver mentioned that when it's cold they're never in the street. How cold "cold" is, though, is another question. It was pretty nipply the night my friend and I went down there, but the drivers were out there anyway.

> I am not endorsing the Linda case, as Greg knows I have
> spent literally a couple hundred hours working on it, but
> the loading dock angle is not what I would consider to be
> a decisive issue...

I can testify, from Pam's private notes to me, that she hasn't made her mind up on the case. I'm grateful for her perspective in that last sentence!

Greg Sandow

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I know I've answered Dennis Stacy already, but there's one remaining point I ought to address.

> Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 10:58:04 -0600 (CST)
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Dennis, imagining that the NY Post would get a juicy story if its delivery drivers saw the UFO that supposedly abducted Linda "Cortile" and Perez de Cuellar, first remarks:

> It would take only one person
> to notice same to alert everyone else in the parking lot to it.
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> would have scored a sensational scoop. Instead, not a peep.
>

And later, he asks:

> How much would a tabloid pay
> for the headline: "I SAW THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UN ABDUCTED
> BY ALIENS!"?

The NY Post, of course, is a tabloid, and in 1989 was (and is now) locked in a competitive war with another one, the New York Daily News. Possibly, too, there was a third, the Long Island tabloid Newsday, which tried to crack the city for a while, failed, and withdrew. I don't remember whether Newsday was published in New York in 1989.

However...there are tabloids and there are tabloids. These days, the term mostly suggests supermarket rags like the National Enquirer, which are weeklies, and don't cover politics, wars, crime, or the economy, or in other words most of what daily papers would consider news.

However, not even most supermarket tabloids would run headlines like the one Dennis imagines. The Enquirer did once write about UFOs, but now it sticks to celebrity gossip, and leaves UFO stories to its offshoot the Weekly World News, which makes them up. (And also to the WWN's infinitesimal competition, the Sun, which for all I know isn't even printed any more.) It's true that one of the lesser gossip tabloids did print a story about the de Cuellar abduction, but only because he denied it. The denial became a silly kind of celebrity news. I can't imagine any of the supermarket rags printing the allegation that de Cuellar was abducted, if the burden of the story was that it really happened. These papers walk a narrow line between sleaze and lawsuits, and almost never print anything substantial that they can't verify. The mere fact of witnesses claiming to see the abduction wouldn't count as verification. (And anyway, would the drivers have seen de Cuellar being taken? Please!)

All of which is more background than is necessary, perhaps, to explain why none of the New York tabloids would ever print the kind of headline Dennis pictures. They don't cover UFO stories at all. They're actual newspapers, which distinguish themselves by stressing hard-hitting sensation: crime, disasters, fatal car accidents, political scandal, and the really, really juicy celebrity stuff. Newsday was quite a serious paper, in fact, and never got the tabloid approach right. I read the Daily News every day, and I see the Post on newsstands. Neither paper ever ran a headline even remotely like Dennis's. They'd never cover this

story. (Nor do they pay for news, the way the Enquirer does.)

Here are two classic NY tabloid headlines, which will give you an idea of how these papers operate. NY Post: HEADLESS BODY FOUND IN TOPLESS BAR. Daily News (back in the '70s, when then-president Gerald Ford vetoed a bill that would have given New York financial aid): FORD TO CITY: DROP DEAD. What distinguishes the Post these days is its slashing right-wing politics. What distinguishes the News are extensive, serious exposes of malfunctions in city government, along with outrageous puns in smaller headlines inside the paper. Here's a fabulous one they printed just this week, when NY Knicks star Patrick Ewing played a bad game on the Irish national holiday: AIN'T PATRICK'S DAY.

I'm beginning to feel like Stan Friedman, who complains about armchair speculation. If anyone wants to disagree with the conclusions I've drawn from the data I've actually reported, fine; if anyone goes down to the Post at night and tells me my observations were wrong, that's fine, too. But it's going to get annoying fast, if I have to answer objections based on imaginary possibilities.

Greg Sandow

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Sigh...Dennis is shooting his guns in the air....

I'd gone down to the NY Post loading dock at 3 AM, to see whether workers there might have seen the UFO allegedly hovering over Linda Cortile's building. What I saw convinced me there's no way to know.

Dennis Stacy, who hasn't been there, disagrees.

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> Whoa, Greg!

> Not a part of the debate, how so? You forgot to mention the car
> stalls on the Brooklyn Bridge and underneath the FDR overpass,
> both of which locations were further away than the Post loading
> docks. Workers may not have necessarily seen a UFO hovering
> nearby, but they would damn sure have noticed 10, 20 or 30
> delivery trucks all stalling out simultaneously.

Dennis...Dennis....Dennis....what 10, 20, or 30 trucks? Where did you ever get the idea that 30 trucks are running their engines at once down there?

At the loading dock at 3 AM on a Wednesday night, what you'll see are three or four trucks parked in the dock with their motors off, and three or four more parked across the street. Every now and then, one or two new trucks arrive. They turn the corner onto the street in front of the dock. Then they either pull into the dock, park across from it, or -- if there are no places vacant -- pause in front of it for a while. Maybe they idle their engines, maybe the turn them off.

Every 10 or 15 minutes, a truck leaves the dock. It drives towards Linda's building for a few feet, then makes a right turn and heads away. So what you've got is at most two or three engines running at any one time, and much more often none. There's a lot of activity, with people walking around. But when you think about the trucks, remember what brings them down there. They're getting loaded with newspapers. That takes a while. So there's not likely to be a constant traffic of trucks in and out. The dock isn't exactly huge. It has four loading bays, if I remember correctly. (Sorry -- I didn't think I needed to count whether there were three, four, or five.)

The UFO, meanwhile, was in view for 90 seconds at most. I clocked intervals that long with no trucks at all either moving or idling in front of the dock. Therefore it's perfectly possible that no truck engines stopped.

> The UFO was
> reported as extremely bright, "burning," in fact. Dan or Richard
> saw it reflected in a gum wrapper, fer cryin' out loud. Surely it
> would have shone off other parked car and truck windshields or
> other reflective sources. (Or by a driver leaving and approaching
> from a different angle, who might have even seen the UFO
> disappear into the Hudson River.)

First, the simple points.

Richard and Dan were supposedly sitting in their car in a darkened area, under the FDR drive. The trucks parked around the loading dock are in bright light. The reflection, if there was one, would be much less noticeable.

You can barely see the river from the loading dock, or from South Street, from which drivers turn when they approach the dock. The dark and massive elevated structure of the FDR Drive is in the way. (Trucks leaving the dock take an entirely different route. They're a block away from South Street, and have no possibility of seeing the river at all.)

Second, the more complex analysis.

I parked my car as close as I could to the spot where Richard, Dan, and de Cuellar supposedly were. You can't get exactly where they were located, under the FDR drive -- that's fenced off now.

But I parked alongside the fence, where luckily there's room on the side of the street. And OK, sue me -- I didn't have a gum wrapper. I did have some other reflective material, though, and here's what I noticed. It lit up dimly every time a car passed. (This was at midnight, by the way, when I made my second nocturnal visit. There weren't many cars passing at 3 AM.) That is, the car's headlights were strong enough to reflect from it.

Clearly, a UFO hovering over a building some distance away would have to be fairly bright to register as strongly as car headlights nearby, though maybe since the light was reddish, it would have registered more forcefully just through its color alone.

But what you need to ask, to delve really deeply into what the drivers might or should have seen, is this: How brightly would the UFO's brightness have penetrated the bubble of light that, as I described in my previous post, seems to surround the dock when you're standing there? Would the UFO have been so bright that you HAD to notice it, even if you didn't look up? That raises the related question of how brightly the UFO's light would have registered on the pavement. This is not at all trivial. In darkness, you'd certainly see at least a slight glow on the concrete from a bright red light shining down from the top of a building. But would you see anything on concrete that's strongly lit from street lights and the lights from the loading dock? I don't think we can possibly say. We don't know exactly how bright the UFO was. I do know, though, that the pavement is VERY brightly lit. Throw away any ideas you have about nocturnal street scenes in New York. There's an extraordinary concentration of lights down around that dock. (And yes, I know "Janet Kimball" said the UFO was "burning." She may have gotten overexcited, and exaggerated. As I learned from listening to tapes of her conversations with Budd, she certainly exaggerated how long the incident was. Anyone who thinks Budd always does careless work should hear how painstakingly he questioned her, to establish first that she routinely overestimates how long things take, and second how many seconds the incident might actually have lasted.)

Besides, there's something else that no one yet has even thought about. To me, the most intense question of plausibility doesn't have anything to do with the workers at the dock. It's about Richard and Dan. Supposedly they saw a red glow on a chewing gum wrapper, then looked up and watched the abduction through binoculars.

What I noticed, sitting in my own car parked near where theirs would have been, is that the streetlights near the dock are so bright that they stop you from seeing the building. Could the UFO have been bright enough to penetrate that glare? Could Richard and Dan have seen the details of the abduction through it? As you move incrementally back and forth near where they supposedly were, you find there IS a small area where the glare diminishes. The lights are in two lines, on opposite sides of the street in front of the dock. If you position yourself between them, in just the right place, you don't get so much glare between you and the building.

That's where they were, for all I know. But they made a lucky choice. A few feet to either side, and they might have had trouble seeing what they claimed they'd seen. (Of course, I wasn't exactly where they were. It's darker under the highway than it was in the place where I parked. I'm not sure if being in darkness would have improved their visibility or not. I suspect it would have made it worse, by making the glare seem brighter.)

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Oh, Dennis...are we living on the same planet here?

First, there's no parking lot. The loading dock is on a street. Across the street are a handful of angled parking spaces. So if you're thinking that there's some major parking area here that everyone who works for the paper uses, forget about it.

Second, remember that in 1989 there was a bar and cafeteria inside the Post building. So it's likely there weren't as many people on the street as there were the night I visited.

Third, recall that there's an ebb and flow of people. There were minutes with nobody around, the night I was there, minutes with two or three people going separate ways, minutes with three people hanging out and talking, minutes with quite a crowd (though that, I think, was exceptional; there was a serious labor dispute brewing, apparently, and a spontaneous union meeting developed).

So, sure...if there were a bunch of people hanging out together, and they're buddies, and Carmine sees the UFO, I bet he'd turn to Frank and Ramiro and say "Hey, look at that!"

On the other hand, if Ramiro is the only one out there when the UFO appears, does he run inside and find somebody to come out and tell him he's not crazy? Maybe he does, and maybe he doesn't. You know perfectly well, Dennis, that people often don't report UFOs when they think they've seen one, because they're worried about what people will think. Ramiro might just say "Jeez, look at that...nobody's ever gonna believe that was up there" and keep his mouth shut.

And the spectacle of the Post getting a story out of this is just too funny. You know any newspapers where the truck drivers are part of the reporting staff? You know any newspapers where the drivers on duty at 3 AM even know any of the reporters? I'm not saying it's impossible, reporters often being gregarious types who mingle everywhere. Hell, when I worked at the LA Herald-Examiner, one of the women covering music parties with me even married one of the security guards. But contacts between the Post's editorial staff and its delivery drivers are going to be, shall we say, fairly tenuous.

So now you'd have us imagine a spectacle like this. Ramiro, having gone outside to check something in his truck, sees the UFO. He runs back into the dock to find someone else. Luckily, there's someone there. (Sometimes you see guys sitting inside the dock in the loading bays, but sometimes you don't.) Ramiro drags this other guy out to see the UFO, and now, on fire to scoop the Daily News, they run inside, find their way to the deserted city desk, somehow find some hapless editor, and announce that there's a UFO outside. And the editor believes them? And the Post then runs the story?

Not likely. And even less likely when you realize the drivers would have to go down to the paper the next day when they'd normally be sleeping or shopping or working on their cars or hanging out with their families. They'd have to get past security to go up to the city room. There they'd have to talk someone they never met into hearing their story. "Um, you don't know me, but I drive a truck for the paper and I saw a UFO last night." Maybe a reporter would be impressed by their sincerity. But just as likely the reporter would think they'd lost it. Wouldn't the drivers wonder if a reporter, hearing their little tale, might then call their boss to say some of his guys might have had a few too many drinks? "Nah...forget it...they'll think we're crazy. Better not take the chance."

> Here's a potentially, in-place, large witness pool, for
> example, and it seems to have hardly been tapped at all. For all
> I and other readers know, this same kind of "investigation" might
> have been conducted at the heliport towards which Perez de
> Cuellar was supposedly headed, in efforts to determine Perez's
> whereabouts on the days his alleged "Third Man" letters were
> supposedly posted to Budd, in attempts to learn Dan and Richard's
> identity, and so on.

Not very likely large, the number of potential witnesses in that pool, but let it pass.

I'm not sure what you're getting at here, Dennis. Are you saying these things should have been investigated? About de Cuellar's whereabouts, you have a point. Budd fell down on that one. But the heliport was, very likely, the one on Governor's Island, a military reservation that as far

as I know is closed to the public. Not much chance of any investigation there. And as you know from the book, Budd spent endless hours trying to track down Dan and Richard.

But I think you're speaking with rhetorical sarcasm here, more or less as I did about the three skeptical critics. Is this your point -- that if Budd failed to look for possible witnesses at the loading dock, then we ought to wonder how thorough he was in doing anything else?

If that's what you're saying, you're not entirely wrong. Budd made some mistakes. No doubt about that. But to my knowledge, they're mistakes of omission. He didn't check de Cuellar's whereabouts, he didn't speak to workers at the loading dock. Nor did he go down there at night to see how much activity there is. What he DID do, though, he did pretty thoroughly. Unless, of course, you simply think he's lying.

In any case, this is why I was asked to go over his tracks, to get some preliminary idea of what can be believed. I can't say -- based on what I've seen -- that he did so horrible a job that we can throw out anything he wrote. That's not true, by contrast, of the "three stooges" (as Linda calls them). Their description of the thriller "Nighteyes" and its supposed similarity to the Linda case is laughable. Essentially they made the similarities up. Nothing Budd did approaches that kind of apparent mendacity.

And finally....

> I don't see how the Post docks can be arbitrarily eliminated from
> consideration simply by fiat. What they are is a damned nuisance
> or "inconvenience" that needs to be adequately addressed, rather
> than waved off.

Dennis, I was under the impression that indeed I had addressed the question of the loading dock, and fairly thoroughly at that. It's true that in my initial post I didn't mention -- and said I didn't mention -- everything I'd observed or thought about. Nor could I anticipate every objection anyone might raise, especially those built on arbitrary assumptions about New York geography and the status of truck drivers on the New York Post's reporting staff.

My conclusion was that, right now, there can't be any conclusion. You're free to differ, but the person issuing decrees by fiat here isn't me. It's my friend from Texas, who imagines there could have been 30 trucks sitting out there with their motors running, when nothing ever written about the loading dock says such a thing, and when my post clearly stated that there were never more than two or three.

Greg Sandow

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Catch on, people! This is the same sort of thing (ie, a video artifact) that results in "Batman" UFOs under certain circumstances. One is a result of the way light is displayed on digital tape, the other a result of how light sources are focused upon in the first place, which depends on internal lens structure and the shape of the shutter leaf.

I've also stared myself silly standing in my backyard and looking up at the corona of the sun, shielded by a corner of my house. I'm truly impressed by what can be seen via this technique (I've seen strings, balls and amoebas), just as I am appreciative of whoever came up with the idea of staring "directly" at the sun in the first place. It really is neat-o, and probably ought to be studied and written up in depth. But I'm equally underwhelmed when pictures and videos of same are offered up as proof positive of UFOs-on-demand.

The Hairy-Headed Head Hunter

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I've also stared myself silly standing in my backyard and looking up at the corona of the sun, shielded by a corner of my house. I'm truly impressed by what can be seen via this technique (I've seen strings, balls and amoebas), just as I am appreciative of whoever came up with the idea of staring "directly" at the sun in the first place. It really is neat-o, and probably ought to be studied and written up in depth. But I'm equally underwhelmed when pictures and videos of same are offered up as proof positive of UFOs-on-demand.

The Hairy-Headed Head Hunter

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Re: Hubble's Sharpest Views of Mars Available

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 21 Mar 97 09:36:54 EST
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:08:55 -0500
Subject: Re: Hubble's Sharpest Views of Mars Available

>Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 16:11:08 -0500 (EST)
>From: NASAnews@hq.nasa.gov
>Subject: Hubble's Sharpest Views of Mars Available
>To: undisclosed-recipients;

>the images were contained in a single
>picture element (pixel) in WFPC2's Planetary Camera
>which spans 13 miles (22 km) on the Martian surface.

Not to get too picky, but as a photographic professional involved
in digital as well as traditional photography I can say that
this statement is utter nonsense.

I "picture element (pixel)" can not contain an image. Any image is
made up of a quantity of pixels, not the other way around.

Wonder who wrote this nonsense?

Bob

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'Witnessed' on the radio

From: Paul Williams <paulw@escape.com>
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 10:28:36 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:14:00 -0500
Subject: 'Witnessed' on the radio

Hello, all, this is to inform any of you within the New York radio area of a special UFO Desk radio broadcast coming up. The broadcast will take place over radio WBAI NY 99.5 FM. From midnite to three am. Please go to my home page, www.escape.com/~paulw/ufodesk.html for more info.

Tuesday evening into Wednesday morning the twenty-fifth of March, UFO Desk will be hosting Linda Cortile, Budd Hopkins, Greg Sandow, Eugina Macer Story, and John Velez, as we take a three hour indepth look at the book Witnessed the true story of the Brooklyn Bridge Abductions. Tapes will be made available on my website, in the months to come. Part of the program will be open to listener phone calls, which should be quite interesting. Thanks for your time. Thanks for posting this notice Errol.

Paul Williams
Producer UFO Desk
WBAI NY 99.5 FM
www.escape.com/~paulw/ufodesk.html

If you have any questions you would like to put to Budd or Linda, pls e mail me ASAP, your question might make it on the air.

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'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan Bomber

From: **BRETT.OLBRYNS@appl.ge.com**
Date: Fri, Mar 21 14:27:48 1997 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:19:44 -0500
Subject: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan Bomber

AVRO Vulcan Bomber

Does anyone else notice the similarity between this Bomber and the Triangular craft that was photographed during the Belgium wave of sightings? Take a look at it and see if you don't think they are similar, especially after watching the Quicktime movie at the address I'll provide. Pay attention to the very end of the movie, the very last frame/shot. Each corner of the Triangular Bomber is illuminated just like in the Belgium sightings.

The address to view the quicktime movie and article is:

<http://www.scifi.com/sightings/web1108/vulcan.html>

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83 TOP SECRET UFO DOCS released by the Spanish

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 17:47:12 +0100
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:17:12 -0500
Subject: 83 TOP SECRET UFO DOCS released by the Spanish

On March 21, 1997 at 14.24.48 CET this item was posted to the German UFO newsgroup "de.alt.ufo". The translation is mine:

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Yesterday (today is March 21, 1997) the following lines could be read in ARD/ZDF Videotext (ARD and ZDF are nationwide German television channels):

"The Spanish Military has released secret documents from the seventies and eighties dealing with UFO sightings. The newspaper ABC states that the 83 reports were categorized as "Top Secret" at the time. Among them is a report on an unexplained phenomenon in 1980, where former prime=20 minister Suarez was one of the witnesses."

Can anyone supply further details? =20

Georg.

21. March 1997 14.24.48
de.alt.ufo Item
From: uzs8ut@ibm.rhrz.uni-bonn.de, usenet
Subject: Spanische UFO-Akten
To: de.alt.ufo
Gestern (21.3.97) war im ARD/ZDF Videotext folgendes zu lesen:

=B4Spaniens Militaer hat Geheimdokumente aus den 70er und 80er Jahren ueber UFO-Sichtungen freigegeben. Es handele sich um 83 Berichte, die damals als "Streng geheim" eingestuft worden seien, meldet die Zeitung "ABC" Darunter sei ein Bericht ueber ein ungeklaertes Phaenomen aus dem Jahr 1980, dessen Zeuge auch der fruehere Regierungschef Suarez gewesen sei, hies es.=B4

Hat da jemand schon genaueres erfahren??

Georg

Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 14:24:48 +0100
From: Georg Eickmeier <uzs8ut@ibm.rhrz.uni-bonn.de>
Subject: Spanische UFO-Akten
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Welsh earthlights anyone?

From: **Mark Pilkington** <markp@syzygy.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 13:15:47 +0000
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:03:50 -0500
Subject: Welsh earthlights anyone?

Does anyone, Paul Devereux particularly, have any info on good earthlights locations in Wales?
A friend who's going there asked me for some, but I can't think of anything off hand.
Cheers

Mark (keeping his lines short so I can get this on the list)

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 20:04:48 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:29:08 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

> Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 07:28:04 -0500
> From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Greg, you mentioned this in your earlier post and I would like to know if you interviewed Butler, Stefula and/or Hansen.

Can you cite how they were dishonest, please?

> Hansen, Stefula, and Butler are so wildly inaccurate
> (apparently dishonest, even) in their most detailed accusation --
> that the events of the case bear a suspicious resemblance to a
> little-known UFO novel -- that, quite frankly, I'm not prepared
> to believe anything they say their investigation uncovered.

And now on to this post

> However, not even most supermarket tabloids would run headlines like the
> one Dennis imagines. The Enquirer did once write about UFOs, but now it
> sticks to celebrity gossip, and leaves UFO stories to its offshoot the
> Weekly World News, which makes them up.

I can't be sure because I haven't seen it, but according to people I know, the National Enquirer does indeed publish UFO Stories. I've been told they published one about 3 weeks ago. I think that the story even featured one of our list members -- Pat Parrinello.

Rebecca

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Linda Cortile Tapes?

From: **Scott Hale** <shale@megalinx.net>
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 19:33:52 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:30:19 -0500
Subject: Linda Cortile Tapes?

All,

Is there somewhere I can get the audio/video tapes of Linda and Budd Hopkins? If anybody has them, I would gladly pay for mailing/duplication costs.

Also, why is the area under FDR Drive fenced off?

Thanks,
Scott K. Hale

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Another of NASA's amazingly long 'Subject' lines

From: NASANews@hq.nasa.gov
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 15:15:13 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:24:41 -0500
Subject: Another of NASA's amazingly long 'Subject' lines

Brian Welch
Headquarters, Washington, DC
(Phone: 202/358-1600)

March 21, 1997

RELEASE: 97-50

FINDINGS OF COUNCIL SURVEY HIGHLIGHT SPACE PROGRAM'S
IMPACT ON THE NATION'S OUTLOOK, NASA ADMINISTRATOR SAYS

A national survey released today by the Council for Excellence in Government highlights the importance of space exploration to the American public, NASA Administrator Daniel S. Goldin said.

The survey, conducted for the Council by the research firms of Peter D. Hart and Robert M. Teeter, indicates that "promoting space exploration" is the only one of 16 tested items about which a plurality of Americans say the Federal government has been very successful.

"This survey demonstrates again the importance Americans place on exploration and discovery," Goldin said, "and their belief that one of the most important roles of the Federal government is to help push back the boundaries of knowledge. NASA is not only a crucial investment in our national future -- it is also a tangible symbol to the American people of the greatness to which we aspire.

"We are gratified to learn from this survey that NASA has been successful in meeting the needs of the American public," Goldin said. "In recent years, we have redoubled our efforts to be responsive to the public and to describe, in meaningful terms, the value and relevance of space exploration.

"NASA's original charter mandates that the Agency widely disseminate the results of its activities. Our philosophy is one of openness, of sharing the triumphs and set-backs of our cutting-edge research," Goldin said. "As a result, the public has shared these experiences and many feel a sense of direct ownership or involvement in NASA's programs. This is how it should be -- NASA's programs are, indeed, their programs."

For more information on the poll, contact the Council for Excellence in Government at 202/728-0418.

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 00:36:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 09:16:12 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 17:56:22 -0600 (CST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>Bill Hamilton wrote:

>>Dear Dennis,

(snip)

>>My stance is this: Get out in the field and investigate.
>>Collect all the facts you can, then analyze, analyze, analyze..

Dennis wrote,

>Bill:

>I agree completely! But let me reiterate: I'm not saying every filmed UFO
>is a videocamera artifact. I'm essentially addressing the "classic"
>hockey-puck UFOs (represented by a bright straw-hat shape atop an
>underlining dark bar) and the two gifs John Velez posted to this list,
>namely:

>MEX2A_CO.gif and USA3A_co.gif

The 'USA gif' is a still capture from a video that Tom King took in Arizona. the 'Mexico gif' is a single frame capture from Brit & Lee Elders "Voyagers of the Sixth Sun"

Dennis you're amazing! By your own admission, you have never seen either of the videotapes. But you have absolutely no problem declaring them "video artifacts" without knowing what preceeds or follows the single frame captures! Or anything at all about the reports connected to them. Whether these were multiple witness sightings or whether the objects were observed by any other optical means, etc. etc. etc.

No Dennis, they're "video artifacts" only because without knowledge or analysis you have deemed them so. Without having reviewed the material I have presented, you have named yourself judge, jury, and executioner and declare for all the world that these "must be" video artifacts.

You're just going to have to make the effort (and it wouldn't take more than a quick trip to a search engine on the web) to secure and view the tapes in question before *anyone* takes any of your 'conclusions' seriously.

>The reason why the two images so closely resemble each
>other is not because they are the same UFO videotaped in
>two different countries days or months apart, but because
>the videocameras themselves, regardless of what country
>they come from (ie, Japan), generate the exact same
>artifact wherever they happened to be used.

Although everything that you say is true Dennis, it's based on pure conjecture in this instance, and not on any hard analysis that you've done.

"INTRUDERS FOUNDATION ONLINE"
www.spacelab.net/~jvif/bhhp.html

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:31:24 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 08:43:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

>Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 07:28:04 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Of a fictional tabloid headline I threw out, Greg Sandow wrote:

>(And anyway, would the drivers have seen de Cuellar being taken?
>Please!)...[and later] Do we live on the same planet?

Greg, I don't ask much except a) a little credit; and b) a little slack. I suppose, for example, that it would be unseemly of me to claim credit for the idea of visiting the Post docks at 3am in the first place...I did keep pushing it until it happened, however, for which I thank you and the list thanks you.

You must be picking up a little sarcasm at the feet of the master (me), otherwise you would have known that I never meant to imply that a Post worker would have necessarily seen de Cuellar himself being abducted or recognised him as same (although if it really happened, I suppose it can't be ruled out anymore than any other imaginable scenario). The headline was hyperbole; it and other of my remarks need not be taken literally and literally only. A tabloid in this instance could apply to the Post the following morning, but it could also apply, figuratively, to any number of tabloid TV shows that have sprung up since 1989, and to any Post worker who might have come forth in the wake of the publication of "Witnessed." In other words, I was suggesting an imaginary scenario, true, but not one limited to one narrow set of circumstances (ie., docker worker sees UFO, barges into city desk, corners reporter, and says, "you gotta believe me!").

However, it's you who imagines that a driver wouldn't report anything as unusual as a UFO out of fear of being suspected of drinking on the job, while mentioning that there was actually a bar in the building at the time. Do you suppose reporters were barred from the bar, or that they wouldn't have mingled with the "help" at the company cafeteria?

So, my point was, however it might come to pass, that a Post worker coming forward at some point and confirming some part of the story would be no more improbable than the process whereby "Janet Kimball" surfaced. They could have done it anonymously, too, had they so desired.

Anyway, we could go back and forth like this forever, when both of us no doubt have more profitable things to do. I definitely look forward to reading your IUR article, although the prospect of waiting another three months to read part II is rather daunting.

Three months! Oh, what the heck...The one thing I find interesting in your last post is this: you seem to be saying that Dan and Richard would have to be stalled in almost the perfect spot in order to have a good, light-unobstructed view of Linda's UFO. In other words, the same light factors which you use to make a sighting from the docks difficult and/or unlikely _seem_ to apply to a large degree to D&R's position, too. Presumably, then, I suppose the aliens stalled their car where they did so they would have a good seat. Seems like special pleading to me, but

maybe not.

Some of your other reasonings strike me in the same vein. For example, the fact that the river itself can't be seen from point A or point B. This is hardly the point. If the UFO hovered outside Linda's building, approached de Cuellar's car under FDR, and then went into the river, then it clearly described a trajectory, meaning it could have been visible anywhere along its path. You wouldn't have to see the damn waves directly reflecting moonlight, in other words, to see the damn UFO going down toward the water. Use your imagination, Greg. Don't be so literal.

At the very least, the case will still go into Guinness as a world record -- two abductions in four blocks in only 90 seconds (OK, make it 150 seconds--there was quite a crowd under FDR), ending with a perfect 10.0 swan dive into the Hudson. And you wonder why us Southerners are reluctant to spend time in the Big Apple.

The Hairy Underarmed One
Live from the lip of the Olmos Basin

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 22 Mar 97 08:53:41 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 10:10:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

>Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 02:04:06 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Greg,

I've been reading this discussion with great interest. I have been to the loading dock, in the company of Budd, Carol and Frank Turner, and agree with your perceptions. That a 90 second event could be missed entirely by the truck drivers is not only possible, but probable in my opinion. As you note, there is an awful lot of "light clutter" around the loading dock, and you would have to strain your neck to look in the right direction. I'm not sure a truck driver standing there could see anything outside Linda's window.

The night we were there it was cold and breezy, similar to the night in question I'm told, and none of us wanted to stand around outside very long. If there was a cafeteria and bar inside the building, my bet is that anyone who did not absolutely have to be outside would have been in there. There's also an all-night diner on the corner of the next block, but on a cold night I doubt anyone was hanging around outside.

I'm not saying that I am a 100% believer in this story, but I don't think the loading dock bit disproves anything.

Bob

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International Symposium, San Marino

From: **Philip Mantle** <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 07:06:41 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 10:03:51 -0500
Subject: International Symposium, San Marino

Dear colleagues,

I thought you would be intested to know that the Republic of San Marino will be staging its 5th annual UFO symposium in San Marino over the weekend of June 6th, 7th & 8th at the Tourism Theatre.

Sponsored entirely by the government of San Marino the symposium is organised by the Italian research group National Center for UFO Studies.

Of course like a lot of conferences this year this one is also aimed at commemorating the 59th anniversary of the Kenneth Arnold event. Speakers from 12 diffferent countries will be taking part in the symposium and anyone wishing furher details should contact the symposium organiser at:

Dr. Roberto Pinotti, Via Odorico Da Pordenone 36, Florence, 50127, Italy.
Tele/Fax: (39) 55 353 498.

Having been a speaker at the last three San Marino symposia I can highly recommend it and the country as well.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Mantle.

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Lights in the Swedish Sky-92

From: **John Joseph Mercieca** <mufor@maltanet.net>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 10:47:07 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 10:05:33 -0500
Subject: Lights in the Swedish Sky-92

I'm forwarding this interesting report from the In Search Of mail list.

Regards,

JJ Mercieca
Malta UFO Research
<http://www.mufor.org/>

Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 00:01:34 +0100
From: The N=E4slunds <nickngina@LOVEBOAT.COM>

Subject: [In_Search_Of] Lights in the Swedish Sky-92

Hi Fellow ISO List Members!

I'm very new to this list, and reading about the mass Arizona sightings gave me goosebumps...Here's why...

I have also witnessed "lights in the sky." It was in late February 1992. I was on the maternity ward in a Swedish hospital, a couple of nights after the birth of my first baby. I was sharing the large room with three other mothers. As 11pm and the closing of the parking structure approached, my husband bid me and the baby farewell for the night to retrieve the car and drive home. A couple of minutes after he left our dimly-lit hospital room, the room was suddenly illuminated by a very bright light that I saw out of the large window by my bedside. At first, I thought, "Lightening?" but after the initial flash, the light just kept shining brightly with the same intensity, illuminating the room. It was below the cloud cover, since the light reflected off the clouds above it. I then thought, "Helicopter?" but there was no sound and no object outline behind the light. The light was also very low in the sky. The light moved very slowly and very precisely between our hospital building and the hospital building across the square. The three other women and the man in the room at the time were all seemingly stunned by the light. "WHAT is that?!" we all said and wondered.

Then a second light appeared a few seconds after we saw the first light. It followed behind the first light in a very slow and precise low arched-shaped path in the sky. The lights were both orange-yellow and looked like stars or flares, but we saw no smoke or outlines indicating an object. I really don't understand where the second light came from! It just was there suddenly, almost as if it had fallen down from the sky above and slowed, assuming the more horizontal, low arched-shape path. The lights were very clear and brilliant. The lights were not "balls" exactly, more like "Christmas stars," the way that they are traditionally illustrated, with beams or rays (not sparks) radiating from a bright center.

Then before I had time to think of any other explanation for the two lights, there came a third! It, too, appeared "out of nowhere" and slowly followed the two other lights in the same precise path, and assumed the same distance behind the second light that the second light had assumed behind the first.

Now here comes my reaction...I got scared! The only thing my mind could come up with was that the lights were some sort of new, strange militaristic weapon and that we were all "done for," so I fled down the hospital corridor in an effort to catch up with my husband before he went out of the building and became closely subjected to whatever the

lights were. I got to the end of the corridor and frantically called out after my husband down the stairwell, but he'd already left. And then I panicked because I remembered that I'd recently become a mother and had abandoned my new baby in the hospital room! So I ran back to the baby in the hospital room!

I was relieved that the lights were gone when I got back to the hospital room because the sighting had really frightened me. The others in the hospital room said that a fourth light had followed the three other lights, and that all the lights simply disappeared over the lake adjacent to the hospital. (I didn't really mind missing that fourth light! The three lights I did see were enough for me!)

The others in the room said that they'd seen people watching the lights from the windows of the hospital building across the way. I was glad that I hadn't been alone in the sighting, but I was a little disappointed that my husband hadn't seen the lights while driving home, as he had to drive right beside the lake and the brilliant lights really weren't something you could miss out of your car window! However, he probably hadn't even gotten out of the parking structure by the time that the lights had disappeared. I really wish he had seen the lights, because he is more rational and down-to-earth than I am, and I would have loved to be comforted by his reason about the source of the lights. When I talk about the sighting, he jokes with me about having been affected by some sort of "post-partum hysteria!" (Maybe that's what you are all thinking as well! However, I swear that my delivery was totally natural and unmedicated, and I was of "sound mind and body!" :)

The others in the hospital room and I talked for quite a while about the lights and tried to come up with ideas about what they were. However, we couldn't come up with much at all. Our babies soon became our focal points again, and we put the lights out of our minds. However, I still think about those lights from time to time and still wonder...

Does anyone know if there are flares which can travel as the lights I saw did - in a very slow and in a well-established horizontal, slightly arched path? I would imagine that flares are almost silent, but wouldn't there be some sort of smoke to mark where the flares had been, as there is when we watch fireworks? Don't flares have "sparks?" How do parachute flares work? Could the brilliancy of the flares=B4 lights mask their parachutes?

If I knew that flares could act in the manner that the lights I saw did, I would buy the "flare theory," even though it's pretty difficult to imagine why or how the flares were sent between hospital buildings in the middle of a relatively large town in Sweden on a late night in February. The entire thing seems just so strange to me.

In 1994, I had another baby. I only spent a night in the hospital that time, and am happy to report that I saw no strange lights! However, my daughter was born with an unusual birthmark. On the side of her head, under her hairline, she has four small pink circular bumps, spaced relatively the same distance apart, in an flat arch shape. I asked two doctors about the bumps when she was a newborn, and they both told me that it was "cradle cap" and the marks would come off if I rubbed a little baby oil on them. But now my daughter is three, and I know that the bumps are definitely a birthmark because the bumps are still there. The shape is just a little weird...being an arch-shape and all. I'm pretty sure it's just a strange coincidence, but seeing the birthmark reminded me of the lights for sure!

Sincerely,
Regina N=E4slund
V=E4xj=F6, Sweden

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 22 Mar 97 08:53:44 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 10:12:49 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

>Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 19:33:52 -0500
>From: Scott Hale <shale@megalinx.net>
>Reply-To: shale@megalinx.net
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Linda Cortile Tapes?

>Also, why is the area under FDR Drive fenced off?<

You mean it is STILL fenced off? When I was there last November it looked like some sort of short-term construction project. I thought this would be done by now.

Bob

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'Libel' Thread - And a challenge to Stanton

From: **Andy Roberts** <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 22 Mar 97 09:51:31 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 10:22:25 -0500
Subject: 'Libel' Thread - And a challenge to Stanton

Regarding the earlier 'libel' thread concerning the law suit served on Jenny Randles by Stanton Friedman & Harry Harris based on an article in the Manchester Evening News dealing with a lecture by Friedman.

Jenny was unaware of the exchanges on this list until a day or two ago (she is not online). Having now seen the debate she wishes to make it known (as someone suggested) that she is prepared to enter into an open discussion on this list about the events, to settle the matter once and for all.

Jenny suggests that anyone post whatever statements or questions they have concerning the matter - Friedman, Harris or just interested onlookers, and she will answer any questions about the matter and post any relevant documentation connected with the matter. In short the *whole* series of events would come to the UFO community's attention, something which has not yet happened due to the original law suit.

There is a caveat to this: Both Friedman and Harris would have to agree not to take any legal action on what is revealed and discussed. Obviously Jenny is still under legal constraints from the case and without their prior agreement any subsequent debate cannot take place.

Having discussed the issue again with Jenny I am convinced that only 10% or so of the relevant facts have been brought to light on this list and that an open challenge to Friedman to defend both his original action and his recent statements is valid.

Perhaps list members feel this is a waste of time and space. I don't. It's a part of the subject of ufology. How truthful any UFO researcher is is of great concern. Much more so when they are claiming exotic explanations for the UFO phenomenon as Friedman does.

Even if a debate does not take place it would be interesting to hear Friedman's reaction to the suggestion of one - his unwillingness to answer the majority of points made was, to my mind, *highly* suspicious.

Let it roll.

Andy

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: MWayne@bigfoot.com (Michael Malone)
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 08:17:57 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 10:16:43 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Greg Sandow,

I want to thank you for some well written, well researched, well investigated posts about the Post's loading dock.

Bravo, good job.

While I agree that the Post Loading Dock Issue (PLDI) is inconclusive on way or another, couldn't the same be said for all the other Linda-Hopkins Abduction Issues (LHAI)?

What I mean is, we have Richard and Dan, one of whom is allegedly "missing" and the other has never been found. We have letters that MAY have been written by a Richard and Dan. We have an alleged abduction of a high ranking UN official, who denies the abduction occurred. In the end, we have NOTHING conclusive that I can see.

I know you have been involved in this case for quite a while. What conclusive evidence do you have that the event took place at all?

Michael

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I usually type this directly into AOL, and the returns get messed up. This time, it was done all over, including on airplanes on a laptop. We'll see how it does. Had a great time lecturing on Charles Fort and the Fortean Perspective at the California Society for Psychical Study this week! They taped it, I'll let you know if tapes are available. Big week this week, with THE LEARNING CHANNEL doing an "alien invasion" theme week. Also, Paul Williams of the UFO Desk at WBAI in New York has a special "Linda case" episode. Here's what he has to say about it:

"UFO Desk, over radio WBAI NY 99.5 FM, will be presenting on March 25th Tuesday nite or Wednesday morning, an indepth look at the book Witnessed, by Budd Hopkins. Live in studio guest will include Linda Cortile, Budd Hopkins, John Velez, journalist Greg Sandow, physic Eugina Macer Story, and myself Paul Williams. We will be taking a three hour look at the above mentioned book. "

Tapes are likely to be available of that as well...I'll let you know.

I'm supposed to be on EDGE OF REALITY this Saturday from 6:40 pm Pacific to 7:00 pm Pacific, but don't hold your breath :) . It runs on KSFO tape-delayed, so I'd be on coming up to 11:00 pm there. Can be heard across the country.

FICTIONAL NOTES:

This is where I briefly cover items which are fictional but which I feel are worth mentioning, either because of the impact they have had on the field or vice versa. I don't list weekly shows, just special items. If you want info on the weekly fictional shows, see Rebecca Keith's excellent CNI NEWS MEDIA WATCH at <http://www.cninews.com>. Saturday, at 8:00 PM on NBC, is THINGS THAT GO BUMP. It's supposed to be a drama, but the lead character is described as "screwball", not a good sign. He gets involved with a "ghostly mystery." Disney is running HARRY AND THE HENDERSONS, Spielberg's bigfoot movie (that became a syndicated tv series) on Sunday at 5:05 PM, and Monday at 1:55 AM. As part of it's ALIEN INVASION WEEK, THE LEARNING CHANNEL has a special on ALIENS INVADE HOLLYWOOD at 6:00 PM on Monday, repeated at 9:00 PM the same night (remember, all times listed here are Pacific). 9:00 AM on Wednesday on Cinemax, you can catch THE CONEHEADS, from Maven of the Mysterious Dan Aykroyd. "Tell them we are from France" comes from the 1896-1897 airship wave in the U.S. You can also catch Dan's GHOSTBUSTERS II on Friday at 6:00 PM on COMEDY CENTRAL. 9:00 PM on Lifetime on Wednesday brings Barbara "I DREAM OF GENIE" Eden as a therapist with psychic powers in VISIONS OF MURDER. Plucky Duck tries to get abducted in A QUACK IN THE QUARKS on Steven Spielberg's TINY TOON ADVENTURES on Nickelodeon, Saturday at 9:00 AM. Rosie O'Donnell won't want to miss CHARLIE'S ANGELS on TNT at 1:30 AM Sunday...in UNIDENTIFIED FLYING ANGELS they investigate the disappearance of a wealthy member of a group that says its in contact with aliens. On another "golden oldie", ALICE has a UFO sighting...E! on Monday at 5:00 AM. On a re-run of

WINGS on USA on Thursday at 5:30 PM, Brian reports a UFO sighting to the FAA. (Yes, every sitcom does a UFO sighting :episode :))On ELLEN on ABC, Friday at 8:30 PM, Joe looks for aliens in New Mexico.

PERIODICALS

THE CRYPTOZOOLOGY REVIEW, Vol 1, No. 3, Winter-Spring 1977. Published by Ben S. Roesch (I'm a Contributing Editor, although I haven't had much in there yet. I keep offering to proff-reed, ;)). This is a nice, flesh-and-blood oriented stapled newsletter about undiscovered animals. This issue, there is a long letter from Dr. Karl Shuker, protesting a review of his book, IN SEARCH OF PREHISTORIC SURVIVORS; news of Nessie, Egyptian mystery beasts, expeditions, and newly discovered or rediscovered species (the latter citing EXOTIC ZOOLOGY by Matthew Bille, another good flesh-and-blood cz newsletter); some articles on the giant octopus, at least a couple of which are by Gary S. Mangiacopra, et al; a piece on THE BEAST OF GEVAUDON AND OTHER "MAULERS" by Andrew D. Gable; and a lengthy review of SOUTHWEST ENGLAND'S SMALL CARNIVORES OF THE WESTCOUNTRY written by Jonathan Downes (review by Darren Naish). \$3.00 Canadian for sample issue, \$9.00 Canadian for three issue subscription. E-mail: bz050@freenet.carleton.ca

FORTEAN TIMES, FT 96, MARCH 1997. Edited by Bob Rickard and Paul Sieveking. This is one of the best mags on weird stuff, considered by many to be the pre-eminent one (you can find it in many bookstores...STRANGE MAGAZINE is also quite exceptional, but FT is monthly, so I guess it's seen more often). Articles include: VANISHED! by Scott Corrales...do people who investigate weird stuff meet weird fates?; NO LOVE IN A COLD CLIMATE by Rob Irving, covering two recent events in Finland, a UFO conference, and a claim of anti-gravity; BIG SHOT by Janet Bord, talking about cases where a bigfoot =has= been shot; and WHAT A WAY TO SPEND EASTER by Ted Harrison, covering modern stigmatics. Regular irregulars include the amazing STRANGE DAYS, which covers news bits; Loren Coleman on strangely coloured cryptids; Andy Roberts on Scottish Saucers, Steve Holland on fortean movies, etc. One copy, pounds 2.50. Go to the website...<http://www.forteantimes.com>.

IRIDIS: This is the house organ of the California Society for Psychical Study. March 1997. Jon Klimo, Ph.D., considered the premier expert on channeling, has a long president's message about the possibility of a paradigm shift coming. I know a lot of my readers feel that there is a change coming, the dawning of a "new age", etc. I'm not convinced, but hey, I'm rarely convinced :) . There's also a brief piece about me, and one by me which I called THE FORTEAN PERSPECTIVE, but they call FORTEAN PERSPECTIVES. It's meant to be a brief introduction to Fort. The other article is on THE MONROE INSTITUTE'S HEMI-SYNC (R) PROCESS. This is a continuation of an article by F. Holmes Atwater. Monroe, as some of you know, was a leader in out-of-body-experiments. Many prominent people have supposedly undergone study there, including a politician you see quite a bit. A "regular" membership is \$30.00, and a subscription to Iridis for non-members is \$10.00. Contact the society at CALIFORNIA SOCIETY FOR PSYCHICAL STUDY, INC., P.O. Box 844, Berkeley, CA 94701.

RADIO AND TELEVISION

SYNDICATED RADIO: END OF THE LINE seems to be having a lot of interesting guests, but they don't list info for the following week on the website (at <http://www.endoftheline.com>). However, Michael Lindemann does a UFO report on Wednesdays each week. You can listen to it on your computer, as well as on many radio stations: go to <http://www.talkamerica.com>.

SYNDICATED TV:

COULD IT BE A MIRACLE?:
 --week of 3/17, Abraham Lincoln's mid-wife (?); asthma victim gets strange help
 --week of 3/24, precognitive dream saves child; ghost spreads news about disease

PSI-FACTOR (see <http://www.psifactor.com> for stations and airdates and other info)
 --week of 3/17, (110R) THE HUNTER (werewolf causes cattle mutilations?); THE HEALER (teenager can heal, but will it kill him?)
 --week of 3/24, tomb's curse kills archaeologists; disabled plane landed by mysterious forces?

Saturday, March 22

SYNDICATED RADIO, THE EDGE OF REALITY, 5:00 PM -8:00 PM Pacific. Also available on Satcom C5, Transponder 23, SEDAT Channel 24. The specific spots have to be considered tentative, and the station in your area may run it tape-delayed.

LOCAL TELEVISION, KING COUNTY WASHINGTON, CHANNEL 29, 3:00 PM: JOURNEY:

Drunvalo Melchizedek discusses "our Journey into the 4th Dimension and beyond". Isn't the fourth dimension time? That's what George Pal told me.
Brenda Roberts produces.

7:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, SCI-TREK: EARTH LIGHTS (This is a fascinating subject. Does the Earth produce light displays? Are they connected with UFOs? Are the lights themselves intelligent?)

Sunday, March 23

SYNDICATED RADIO, 7:00 PM, ART BELL'S DREAMLAND: Art interviews Paul Prather about "Modern-Day Miracles" (see <http://www.artbell.com> for stations and program info)

11:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS (#5056): Nick Pope, the British government's alleged UFO man; haunted hotel, biofeedback, Hawaiian mysteries

2:00 PM, A&E, THE UNEXPLAINED: astrology

4:00 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS (#5056): Nick Pope, the British government's alleged UFO man; haunted hotel, biofeedback, Hawaiian mysteries

7:00 PM, A&E, ANCIENT MYSTERIES WITH LEONARD NIMOY, The "Hope Diamond" curse

7:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: Spontaneous Human Combustion

9:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, DREAMLAND PART 1 (Is the Government back-engineering UFOs at a secret base in Nevada? This may be far more complex than it sounds...Derrel Sims, ex-CIA agent/ex-military police/certified hypnotherapist/master neurolinguistic programmer/black belt/abductee once told an audience I was at that it would have been his job at The Company to create something like Area 51. It's simple...it draws all the UFO buffs with any money to travel to one place. Just a theory....)

11:00 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL (#5056): Nick Pope, the British government's alleged UFO man; haunted hotel, biofeedback, Hawaiian mysteries

Monday, March 24

SYNDICATED RADIO, ART BELL'S COAST TO COAST: Art interviews Robert Morning Sky (see website at <http://www.artbell.com> for time and stations)

SYNDICATED TV, MONDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: psychics help locate criminals (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area.)

LOCAL TELEVISION, SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON, 3:00 PM: JOURNEY: second part of interview with Robert Dean, who allegedly found out secrets of governmental involvement with aliens while in the military. Brenda Roberts produces.

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC, AND MIRACLES (#51); no details available

Tuesday, March 25

SYNDICATED TV, TUESDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: alien abduction insurance...gee, I wonder if they have an "Extraordinary Claims Department"? (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC AND MIRACLES (#52): no details available

6:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, UFOS AND ALIEN ENCOUNTERS

9:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: mystery of ancient artifacts, like stone anchors that show the Chinese may have visited North America before Columbus...but gee, when did they visit Columbus :))

9:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, UFOS AND ALIEN ENCOUNTERS

10:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, WHO'S AFRAID OF...WOLVES (includes werewolves)

10:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, UFO

Wednesday, March 26

SYNDICATED TV, WEDNESDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: UFO reports from pilots (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

12:00 AM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: mystery of ancient artifacts, like stone anchors that show the Chinese may have visited North America before Columbus...but gee, when did they visit Columbus :))

12:00 AM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, UFOS AND ALIEN ENCOUNTERS

1:00 AM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, UFO

7:00 AM, HBO, THE MAN WHO SAW TOMORROW (Orson Welles narrates this biography)

of Nostradamus, the man who foresaw the death of Henry II, the tragedy of Hitler, and the rise of Fox as the fourth network...)
10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC, AND MIRACLES (#1): Are UFOs Real?; Qi (Chi) Gong Healing; The Magic Behind Witchcraft
7:00 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS
11:01 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS

Thursday, March 27

SYNDICATED TV, JENNY JONES (this may air Friday as well...near-death experiences, a singularly appropriate topic for guests on this show, I'd say)
SYNDICATED TV, THURSDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: communication with aliens (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MAGIC, MYSTERIES AND MIRACLES (#2):Near-Death Experiences (see also); Natural Disasters; End of the World (gee, whadd'l they do for an encore?)
9:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE FIFTH KIND (abductions)
10:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, CASE OF THE UFOS

Friday, March 28

LOCAL RADIO, 8:00 PM (Pacific Time) WGBB 1240 AM, New York: THE JOYCE KELLER SHOW: the host is a psychic who helps callers. Phone number is 516-955-1240
SYNDICATED RADIO, ART BELL'S COAST TO COAST: Art interviews Sarah McLendon, a "Washington reporter". (see website at <http://www.artbell.com> for time and stations)

SYNDICATED TV, FRIDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: are they running that thing about the "African kingdom" in the US again? Not sure...(see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

12:00 AM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE FIFTH KIND (abductions)
1:00 AM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, CASE OF THE UFOS
10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC AND MIRACLES (#3): Angel on my Shoulder; Moody Lights (nothing to do with the Moody Blues...this is about "spook lights" in Indiana. This type of phenomenon occurs many places around the world); Calling All Spirits (channeling, including footage of a session)
9:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, UFOS AND OTHER CLOSE ENCOUNTERS
10:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, IS ANYONE OUT THERE? (Is there other intelligent life in the Universe? Actually, is there =any= intelligent life in the universe? :))
10:30 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, MYSTERIOUS FORCES BEYOND: ALIEN ABDUCTIONS

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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TLC UFO Marathon

From: **Steven Kaeser** <skaeser@konsulting.com>
Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:49:15 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 02:52:52 -0500
Subject: TLC UFO Marathon

It was recently posted that:

>On Wednesday evenings "ENTERTAINMENT TONIGHT" it was reported that
>beginning this coming Sunday (March 23rd) The Learning Channel will kick off
>"Alien Invasion Week" broadcasting 8 days (13 episodes) of documentaries
>regarding UFOs and abductions. No doubt most will be repeats. Check your
>local listings.

If someone has access to THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL magazine, you can probably get more information on this, but here's some information on the upcoming programs. I would note that my guide abbreviated the titles, and gave no details. The "Alien Encounters" program may be the Disney program "Alien Encounters from New Tomorrowland", but I couldn't tell from my guide. This promotional program for a new ride spent less than six minutes on the actual ride, and took a rather positive view regarding alien visitation. I found it quite interesting, but perhaps this show is something different.

The schedule, at least in part, consists of (all times are EST):

Sunday March 23rd

9:00p Dreamland

10:00p Dreamland

Monday March 24th

9:00p Aliens Invade Hollywood

10:00p Future Fantastic (?)

Tuesday March 25th

9:00p UFOs and Alien Encounters

10:00p U.F.O. Science Fiction

Wednesday March 26th

9:00p Equinox Documentary (?)

10:00p Alien Encounter

Thursday March 27th

9:00p Close Encounters of the 5th Kind

10:00p Case of the UFOs

Friday March 28th

9:00p UFOs and Other Close Encounters

Saturday March 29th

9:00p Alien Encounter

10:00p UFOs and Alien Encounters

I'm not sure how much the following relate, but they might be of interest:

Sunday March 30th

8:00p Ancient Prophecies

9:00p Ancient Prophecies

10:00p How Jesus Died (okay, we're stretching it here)

10:30p Quakes/Bible

Monday March 31st

9:00p Passion of the Saints

10:00p Dr. Satan's Robots

Tuesday April 1st

9:00p Ancient Prophecies

10:00p Real Bionic Man

Wednesday April 2nd

9:00p Ancient Prophecies

10:00p Wolfman: Myth and Science

Now. Do we all have our VCRs ready?

Steven Kaeser

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 09:43:13 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 02:56:49 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

John Velez wrote, among much polite name calling:

>Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 00:36:47 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>If you had taken the time to do your homework, by securing
>and viewing the videos in question, you'd know that the
>Mexican footage was analysed at the University of Mexico
>video lab and deemed by their experts to be "genuine"!

>"Genuine" in this case meaning, not hoaxed, not video
>artifacts, or special effects.
>

Dear John:

If it walks like a duck and looks like a duck, it's got at least a good chance of having feathers and making quacking sounds.

But I'm game. Just who are these experts at the University of Mexico video lab who analysed said video? Presumably, they've released a report, no? (After all, confirmation of a videotaped UFO would be a fairly newsworthy and scientific item.) Maybe it's even on the Net by now. Names and URLs, please! Not just pronouncements (which you accuse me of). Or is this just something said by a voice-over on the Elders video? (In which case a degree from this lab and a dollar will get you a cup of coffee, with duck feathers floating in it.<G>)

I'm basing my statements on a specific type of video artifact that I've seen demonstrated. You say I should familiarize myself with all of the video in question. I'll buy that, even though I've already bought one Elders video and it was full of this sort of thing, but maybe they've come up with something new. Now you familiarize yourself with the kind of video artifact I'm talking about, and then tell me that there aren't any similarities.

>You see and hear only what fits into your world view Dennis,
>everything else gets twisted to fit, blocked out or dismissed!
>It's sad.
>

Don't cry for me, Mexico City!

Live From the Lip of the Olmos Basin
The Tonsorial Trapeze Artist and Tight-Rope Walker Extraordinaire

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 11:25:21 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 04:24:58 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Michael Malone asks a very crucial question:

> Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 08:17:57 -0600
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: MWayne@bigfoot.com (Michael Malone)
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock
>

Though first he says:

> I want to thank you for some well written, well researched, well
> investigated posts about the Post's loading dock.

> Bravo, good job.

Thanks so much, Mike. This part of the investigation took longer than anything else (except maybe my eight hours with Linda herself, which at least were fun). Not only that, it had to be conducted in the middle of the night. Bless my inomniac neighbor, who wanted to go down there with me....

But then Mike gets to what, after all, is the whole point of the exercise:

> While I agree that the Post Loading Dock Issue (PLDI) is
> inconclusive on way or another, couldn't the same be said
> for all the other Linda-Hopkins Abduction Issues (LHAI)?

> What I mean is, we have Richard and Dan, one of whom is
> allegedly "missing" and the other has never been found.
> We have letters that MAY have been written by a Richard
> and Dan. We have an alleged abduction of a high ranking
> UN official, who denies the abduction occurred. In the end,
> we have NOTHING conclusive that I can see.

> I know you have been involved in this case for quite a
> while. What conclusive evidence do you have that the
> event took place at all?

No conclusive evidence at all. I hope you read my the first part of my piece in IUR, which should be out any day. I begin by saying exactly what you say here -- the key witnesses are all missng. (And you didn't even mention "Janet Kimball," the woman who allegedly saw the abduction from the Brooklyn Bridge!) There are secondary witnesses, and their stories appear to check out, but the primary ones are MIA.

I spent quite a lot of time with tapes supposedly of Richard and Janet Kimball, and with the letters supposedly sent by Richard, Dan, Kimball, and de Cuellar. I think they somewhat increase the plausibility of the case, for reasons I'll describe fully in the IUR piece. (Though you and I have had some private conversations about the letters!) I don't mean to be coy, by not saying much more here. I just feel that IUR, having asked me to do this study, gets first rights to publish the results. I'll only say that the tapes and letters indicate at least to me that, if the case is a hoax, the hoaxers included some world-class actors and a very canny document forger, one who knows how to create plausible imitations of the kind of letters ordinary people write, with all their mistakes and personal idiosyncrasies.

There's certainly no need for any dispute over whether there's conclusive evidence. There isn't.

Greg Sandow

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Re: Linda Cortile Tapes?

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 11:35:23 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 04:35:34 -0500
Subject: Re: Linda Cortile Tapes?

Scott Hale asks:

> Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 19:33:52 -0500
> From: Scott Hale <shale@megalinx.net>
> Reply-To: shale@megalinx.net
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Linda Cortile Tapes?

> All,

> Is there somewhere I can get the audio/video tapes
> of Linda and Budd Hopkins? If anybody has them, I would
> gladly pay for mailing/duplication costs.

As far as I know, all the audio and video tapes relating to the Linda case are Budd's private property. He might show them to people, and in my case lent me a few. But I don't think they're available publicly. I think they should be, or many of them should be. (We'd need to discuss, for instance, whether releasing any of "Janet Kimball"'s tapes intrudes on her privacy.) However, Budd disagrees. He thinks skeptics would simply attack them. I told them that doubtless he's right, but skeptics will also attack him for not releasing the material. His best hope of convincing open-minded people in the middle would be to release it. I'm not going to argue with him any more, though. Scott, why don't you write him, or something? Maybe some public pressure would help. Unfortunately, he doesn't have e-mail. His wife does, or was about to get it, but I don't think Budd's in the habit of expecting any messages through her.

As for why the area is fenced off -- don't know. It seems to be used as a private parking area, but for whom I don't know. Thanks for asking, though. I ought to dot that little i, and find out. I doubt there's any significance as far as the case goes, though, to the area being fenced off or not.

Greg Sandow

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 12:21:48 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 04:50:20 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

> Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:31:24 -0600 (CST)
> To: updates@globalseve.net
> From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
> Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Dennis writes (hi, Dennis...as I'm finding out, ufology can be SO much fun...):

> Greg, I don't ask much except a) a little credit; and b) a little
> slack. I suppose, for example, that it would be unseemly of me to
> claim credit for the idea of visiting the Post docks at 3am in
> the first place...I did keep pushing it until it happened,
> however, for which I thank you and the list thanks you.

I'm glad you pushed me, but I have to demur on this one. Obviously, from the moment I accepted the assignment from IUR to look into the case, the loading dock was on my agenda. It did take a long time before I made the trip, but that had to do with oddball scheduling factors, some of which involved my car. It was out of commission for a month due to an accident, and I wasn't going down there on foot.

Curious fact...when my two-part thingie is finished, the loading dock is going to get more space than anything else, just because it's been discussed so much. But in many ways it's one of the least interesting aspects of the case. Shouldn't we be more curious, for instance, about "Francesca," the woman who claims she saw the courtyard of the building Linda lives in flood with light at around the time of the abduction? She confirms the story, stands up under questioning, and can establish the date (within a day or two of the supposed abduction) with perfect certainty.

> You must be picking up a little sarcasm at the feet of the master
> (me), otherwise you would have known that I never meant to imply
> that a Post worker would have necessarily seen de Cuellar himself
> being abducted or recognised him as same (although if it really
> happened, I suppose it can't be ruled out anymore than any other
> imaginable scenario). The headline was hyperbole; it and other of
> my remarks need not be taken literally and literally only. A
> tabloid in this instance could apply to the Post the following
> morning, but it could also apply, figuratively, to any number of
> tabloid TV shows that have sprung up since 1989, and to any Post
> worker who might have come forth in the wake of the publication
> of "Witnessed." In other words, I was suggesting an imaginary
> scenario, true, but not one limited to one narrow set of
> circumstances (ie., docker worker sees UFO, barges into city
> desk, corners reporter, and says, "you gotta believe me!").

Oh, sure...I do have the imagination to distinguish all this. But in matters like this I think it's important to get annoyingly detailed, boringly so, even, and specify exactly what's being alleged.

You'd mentioned the workers selling their story to a tabloid. I know tabloids pay for celebrity gossip. If you've ever worked for Michael Jackson, Dennis, call the Enquirer now; they've got a check waiting for you. But I don't know of any that pay for UFO stories.

And in any case it remains true that most people who see what they think

are UFOs never report them.

> However, it's you who imagines that a driver wouldn't report
> anything as unusual as a UFO out of fear of being suspected of
> drinking on the job, while mentioning that there was actually a
> bar in the building at the time. Do you suppose reporters were
> barred from the bar, or that they wouldn't have mingled with the
> "help" at the company cafeteria?

I don't have a clue about what went on at the Post's private bar, but I do know this: There aren't any reporters hanging around at 3 AM. As it happens, New York law allows bars to remain open and serve drinks till 4 (unlike some other states, where they have to stop earlier), so the idea of workers and reporters getting happily lit together is theoretically plausible. But the editorial staff of the paper just wouldn't be around at that hour. A driver on the night shift would -- it's fair to guess -- never be in that bar at the same time the reporters would be.

As a sidelight, when "Janet Kimball" told her family that she saw the UFO, their first reaction -- and they were serious -- was to accuse her of drinking too much at the party she was coming home from that night. Or so she says on the tapes of her conversations with Budd. To me, the very presence of a bar at the Post makes a reaction like that to the drives pretty likely.

> The one thing I find
> interesting in your last post is this: you seem to be saying that
> Dan and Richard would have to be stalled in almost the perfect
> spot in order to have a good, light-unobstructed view of Linda's
> UFO. In other words, the same light factors which you use to make
> a sighting from the docks difficult and/or unlikely _seem_ to
> apply to a large degree to D&R's position, too. Presumably, then,
> I suppose the aliens stalled their car where they did so they
> would have a good seat. Seems like special pleading to me, but
> maybe not.

I'm glad you picked this out. I indeed meant to stress it. This is exactly what I'm saying -- short of any special pleading about what the aliens did or didn't do. I didn't say a word about the aliens, and I don't in my IUR piece. But yes, the one difficulty with the case that I unearthed by visiting the loading dock is precisely that the very lights that make it possible the workers didn't see anything also make it harder to believe that Richard and Dan saw what they claimed.

However, there ARE spots where they could have seen the building, without being hindered by the glare. And we don't need to invoke aliens to explain why they might have been in one of those spots. They just might have parked there.

> ome of your other reasonings strike me in the same vein. For
> example, the fact that the river itself can't be seen from point
> A or point B. This is hardly the point. If the UFO hovered
> outside Linda's building, approached de Cuellar's car under FDR,
> and _then_ went into the river, then it clearly described a
> trajectory, meaning it could have been visible anywhere along its
> path. You wouldn't have to see the damn waves directly reflecting
> moonlight, in other words, to see the damn UFO going down
> _toward_ the water. Use your imagination, Greg. Don't be so
> literal.

A reasonable point, Dennis. If the UFO flew from Linda's building into the river with its lights on, somebody might have seen the trajectory. Janet Kimball says she saw much of it.

This raises a number of fascinating issues, which I hadn't thought of. First, Richard (in his tape recording about the incident) talks about seeing the UFO fly from Linda's building, pass over him, disappear from view behind the elevated structure, then (he turned his head to follow it) plunge into the river.

But we later learn that he was abducted, too. So maybe he wouldn't have seen all of that. Was he confabulating a memory, or conflating two together? Did he see the UFO pass overhead, blank on being abducted, and then add the later memory of the UFO plunging into the river after it left him?

Would the UFO have hovered over the car while it abducted Richard, Dan, and de Cuellar? Would the workers have seen that? Were R, D, and de C drawn upward in a beam of light the way Linda was?

And what happened when these three people were returned to their car?

Would the UFO have been seen then?

Hmmm...score one for armchair speculation. These are good questions to ask. One thing, though: I wouldn't throw the case out just because we don't know the answers. We may have disagreed about this general point before, Dennis, but I'd always start with testimony in any abduction case, and not rule out its reality simply because it seems to involve alien behavior we don't understand. Nor is that special pleading. It's special pleading to invent reasons for alien behavior (i.e.: "they wanted Linda's abduction to be seen, and not de Cuellar's"). It's not special pleading to say -- to use a phrase from physicist Gregory Benford, in his science fiction series about the galactic center -- "the thing about aliens is, they're alien."

> So, my point was, however it might come to pass, that a Post
> worker coming forward at some point and confirming some part of
> the story would be no more improbable than the process whereby
> "Janet Kimball" surfaced. They could have done it anonymously,
> too, had they so desired.

> Anyway, we could go back and forth like this forever, when both
> of us no doubt have more profitable things to do. I definitely
> look forward to reading your IUR article, although the prospect
> of waiting another three months to read part II is rather
> daunting.

Well, amen to your last point! I hope we both have enormously profitable enterprises afoot, and I underline "profitable" -- IUR's not paying me a cent.

I agree completely that it's not improbable that a worker would have seen the UFO, and come forward. It's also not impossible that no worker saw it at all, and that even if one or two did, they never told anyone. End of story, as far as I'm concerned -- which is why I think there's not much point debating the loading dock any more.

Greg Sandow

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'Libel' Thread - And a challenge to Stanton

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Date: 22 Mar 97 20:24:04 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 10:28:17 -0500
Subject: 'Libel' Thread - And a challenge to Stanton

The Duke of Mendoza presents his compliments. Reminded by Andy Roberts's latest post that he has been toying for far too long with his reply to

>Date: Sun, 09 Mar 1997 18:59:44 -0400
>From: Stanton Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Libel'

he offers the first part of his deliberations, entitled:

RECIPE FOR RED HERRING

This thread could be renamed "Falling About With Stan and Ollie Harris". Here we have a typical Friedman ploy - one that, I admit, I wish sometimes I had the wherewithal to pull out of the hat more often meself. Unable directly to answer questions raised about one bout of mysterious behavior, he deflects everyone's attention with boggling assertions about some entirely irrelevant matter. When really cornered he will snap something like "vindictive personal attack" (as he did to Ed Stewart here recently, when snookered by cold logic) - and still not address the real issues.

On another occasion Stan squawked: "Who has time for this nonsense?" - having failed to answer some other straightforward questions; small, but mine own. On one level this is much how I feel about Stan's latest ludicrous tripe (not to put too fine a point on it, Virginia) about my and others' motives. But one has to plough on. The ostensible issue itself is intrinsically important: whether justice was done and truth served in Stan's libel action against Jenny. The subtext bellows so loudly it's easy to think it's just the sound of people trying to suppress their unkind mirth at the news of what really lay beneath the censor's thick black ink on those NSA-covers-up-the-UFO-truth papers that Stan so loves - or loved - to wave about at every opportunity.

The items are related. Stan always omitted to say why the NSA censored the papers, which is not lying, but neither is it telling the truth. Stan doesn't tell the whole of the truth about his wretched MJ-12 papers either (as Ed Stewart has shown, conclusively). Before those worthless documents emerged, along with the "Aquarius" document and the "MJ-5" document - so noticeably absent from Stan's book on the subject - we are now told by Phil Klass that Stan agreed with Bill Moore that some fraudulent - sorry, hoaxed - government documents would be worth circulating in the hope of winkling out some worthwhile informants. Time and again it's been remarked that there was enough information available to cook the MJ-12 papers up long before December 1984, but Stan denies this. If it is indeed true that Stan was aware of AND APPROVED Moore's brilliant wheeze, would it be unfair to ask if Stan has been "in denial" all these years? Or unreasonable to wonder aloud just what Stan's relationship with the truth is?

And in that interior debate might not the questions raised and the answers suggested lead one to want to know even more urgently just exactly what it was that made Stan and Ollie so keen to use the peculiar devices available to English and Welsh (if not Scottish) lawyers who want to harrass, impoverish and silence someone by

claiming a libel has been uttered? If Klass's claim is not true, will Stan sue him for libel? And if not, why not? It is all grist to this same mill.

Stan doesn't even get the "data" (aaah - that "data") right while landing his red herring, so I'll amuse you (I hope) with another version of what went down there. Even the gossipy bits offer opportunities for relevant insights, if we are looking for motives, and attitudes that may coalesce into motives, for a particular course of action.

Let me just repeat that, while the Oxford Union Debating Society (its proper name) "event" 18 months ago seems to have nestled deep within Stan's psyche, that debate provided no fuel whatever to my views as so far expressed of the case of Jenny Randles v. Stan Friedman in a matter of libel. I'd better say I'm not angry with Stan about the outcome of the debate, either. After all, he didn't fix the vote, as far as I know. <--- joak

However. It really does illuminate Stan's mode of thought that he thinks that an event of absolutely no importance to ufology (and very little significance even within the well-heeled allotrope of showbiz that are debates at our ancient universities) should have so ground upon my psyche that 18 months or so later, still cringing under the weight of my everlasting shame, humiliation, abashment, embarrassment, impotence, incompetence, mortification, remorse, discomposure, chagrin, and irredeemable disgrace at having lost this debate, I should fall upon him and the Amazing Harris over a question of libel. This is so pathetic it makes me queasy. It may make Stan uncomfortable to hear it, but a chap has other things to think about besides Stanton T. Friedman, or even Oxford. And the latter is, by common consent, by far the more important adornment of our age. I can barely contemplate what we'd be hearing now if the vote had gone against Stan, but I like to fantasize that the word "disinformation" might feature in it.

Irrelevant though it is to the real issue at hand - from which Stan has now conveniently absented himself for some weeks - for those who joined this excellent List after 21 July 1996 I'll quote what I posted then, in response to one of Stan's on some other matter. Without great relevance to that particular issue either, he remarked on 18 July 96:

>No wonder his side lost the Oxford debate 60% to 40%.

And (on 21 July 1996) I replied:

OPEN QUOTE-----

1. This did not amaze me much, either. Here are a few facts the world beyond the Oxford Union does not know about that debate.

Guest speakers - Stan, who was rather mysteriously introduced as "Professor" Stanton Friedman, and who did not deny the appellation - his seconder Harry Harris (a person of the legal persuasion who handled Stan's libel case against impoverished Jenny Randles), and myself on the other side, were asked beforehand, in writing, to speak for 15 minutes each. I prepared a speech that just cut that piece of ice. Stan gave us at least half an hour of his standard spiel, replete with slide show of such joys as Rex Heflin's hokum pix and much more besides, including that questionable argument about the Batelle Institute findings (only 50-odd years old). Harris went on so long about eg Rendlesham and other "cases" that the Union Secretary ran out of "Time Up" notes to pass him, and *then* he asked for more time. Students took the floor and said their thing. By the time I rose to say my bit it was 10:40 pm. English law shuts bars at 11:00pm sharp. The audience was thirsty. I was thirsty: I sympathized. I closed my say after 14 minutes, including some dozy interruptions. It was in the circumstances neither possible nor polite to counter about 90 per cent of the arguments from the other side. Did I expect to carry the vote? No.

One of the student speakers later told me he thought that the house had appreciated my economy - my respect for their rules.

One of the witnesses, claimants, participants, what-you-will, in a case tediously recounted by Harris was there & at the OU President's piss-up afterwards. After some initial hostility she told me at length the whole story of her experience. It was fascinating, but markedly different in important respects from the more bizarre account Harris had given in public.

2. That said for the record, the result of a vote one way or the other is really as here or there as the inferred "proclamation" that 200,000 UFO witnesses of "something" create a real entity called, for convenience, a UFO. This probably sounds cruel, but if you think like that you can't avoid conceding that 17 million Germans were right when they voted for you-know-who, or that 31,783,783 Americans were incontrovertibly bristling with genius when they elected Tricky Dicky Nixon in 1968.

Bluntly: let's argue on an adult level, here, hmm?

-----CLOSE QUOTE

Perhaps I'd better add I didn't intend to address specific "data", but to give a general picture of the illogic rampant within ufology. And, of course, if I *had* debunked a particular case, or two, guess who would be saying I had ignored or failed to dispose of all the *other* "data"? This is just another ploy to distract from the demonstrable facts, which are that Stan and Ollie didn't abide by the rules of house. In casinos, this is called cheating.

Etched upon his consciousness as that passing show was, and winning the debate though he did, UFO researcher and veteran of 15 archives, nuclear physicist and rocket engineer Stanton T. Friedman still doesn't manage to get his facts quite straight. This -

>Susan Blackmore, a psychologist who has said good things
>about Persinger's notions about temporal lobe epilepsy, was to be on
>Peter's side, but didn't show up.

- isn't quite true either. The President of the Union had phoned Sue long before he contacted me and asked her to speak, saying he would write to confirm the invitation. He didn't write. Sue had better things to think about and went on holiday. Meanwhile the second originally-intended speaker against the motion, the Daily Telegraph's science correspondent, declined the invitation. Learning of this, I suggested the OU invite Prof Archie Roy, who is an old friend of mine and has the virtue of being a proper astronomer. However, Archie was already engaged. So let's not have the impression Sue reneged on something.

Leaving aside with a chuckle Stan's happy acceptance of the unearned title of professor, and his somewhat economic description of me in his latest poxy book as someone who had only "written some clever articles about UFOs" (not to mention his half-open threat on this List to sue for libel if I published too rude a review of his scribblings - try it: no settlements out of court, this time, sunbeam), my attention was caught by this, about Stan's esteemed supporter at Oxford:

>Harry Harris had already obtained professional medical opinions that
>her suggestions about temporal lobe epilepsy made no sense. Harry
>presented some audio tapes of abduction hypnosis sessions.

What rowlocks. Harris actually ran some tapes of Col Chas Halt of Rendlesham fame and a few other bits and pieces (I taped the whole thing through my poison-tipped lapel-button phone mike, relayed directly by satellite to John Powell and Tel Aviv, so I know). And HH went on and on and on, as noted above (and on and on after that, too - see below).

Still, one shouldn't take these things too seriously. Certainly the OUDS speakers didn't, and it shouldn't have taken anyone with a little knowledge of the world more than about a minute to realize that OUDS debates are meant to be entertainment. One of my enduring memories of the evening remains the sight of Messrs Friedman's and Harris's faces as they sat bewildered at the spectacle of privileged English men and women at play, and appalled at the remorseless levity that was rendered unto their sacred subject. Personally I felt a quick flash of relief that - against the habit of a lifetime, need I say - I had prepared an address decently larded with wisecracks. It may not have won the vote, but it did get a few laughs, which Stan got only when his slide screen kept falling down at dramatic junctures. No one laughed at Harry, which says a lot for British tolerance.

Harris did put on a knockabout show off the floor. He revealed a couple of interesting things about himself in the general socializing before and after the debate, which led me to question the grasp of more than his bow tie on the conventional four dimensions. For his

brain (like his dress sense) is not like yours or mine. Like Stan, he thinks he can read minds.

HH, blinding in his ghastly DJ, cummerbund and monstrous bow tie, sprang into my field of view (which had been full of someone a lot prettier than he, and more elegantly garbed) before the debate to *inform* me that I thought abductions could be entirely explained by temporal lobe epilepsy (TLE). Not so, I said (a view I still hold), somewhat taken aback by having my thoughts so incompetently divined. I also happen to know HH later that evening spent some time talking to someone who has had long, direct experience of mild TLE ("petit mal") and "missing time". Has HH's interview with the real thing penetrated to his published works, or perhaps his brain? I would guess not. For, on that occasion at least, his brain resembled nothing so much as that of a goldfish.

After the debate, Harris was the occasion of more merriment when he accosted me again and, this time, informed me I utterly rejected the ETH. No, I said, I merely think it very unlikely. "Why?" he enquired, seeming a trifle agitated. I took about five minutes to explain as concisely as I could why I thought it very unlikely. During which he bent his head attentively - or so I thought - to every word, although he had not heard of the Burgess Shale and seemed uncertain what the word "renaissance" meant. "So I'm not saying it's impossible," I concluded, "just that I think the odds are stacked against it." "Why?" says Harris.

I must admit this did silence me, and more than momentarily. Several flies had rather hastily to abandon inspecting my root canal jobs by the time I realized I should raise my catatonic mandible to a position consistent with a presence in polite society. God knows what people thought was growing on my tongue. (Asparagus, since you ask.)

The conversation with HH ended not long after that when Harris suddenly began waving his arms about, interrupting whatever I was saying, to tumble out, in a slightly strangulated tone: "I can't talk to you! I can't talk to you! I can't talk to you any more!" And rushed off, to lose himself in the crowd (or 60 percent of it anyway). This was quite interesting in light of the rather different reaction of his star witness to my notoriously discomfiting presence, remarked upon above.

If I said I thought Harry Harris was not entirely rational when discussing matters ufological (he is clearly a skilled lawyer, at least), would he sue me for libel?

So much for that. Red herring, and overcooked in the heat of S. Terry Friedman's imagination as that debate was, I think its essential lightheartedness could bear some emphasis. It's a subject the OU brings up regularly, too.

Which brings me to

>Subject: Re: 'Libel'
>Date: Mon, 10 Mar 97 13:38:38 -0000
>From: Bob Rickard <rickard@forteantimes.com>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>

and my smirk at his remark

>And if Stan thinks Peter is a favoured writer, he should ask Peter
>directly about how he has suffered at my hands.

It would not delight me much to make Bob Rickard feel as small as one of his own tea leaves - not much of a reduction anyway - by expanding on that here. After all I have already forced Bob to stand freezing in his own garden to watch a mysterious white helicopter circle above us, shining down a blue beam of light upon the innocents of Forest Gate. And I turned his tea to claret, which was probably worse for him, but a huge relief to me.

Let me just say I think Stan's perception, or reflection, or conceivably even projection, of Bob's integrity as an editor is puerile, trivializing and repellent, and tells us a good deal more about Stanton T. Friedman, that we should prefer not to know and are disappointed to discover, than about anything else.

Part Two follows after a while. In that I'll address what Stan says about his libel case in his latest post. Meantime I hope Jenny can join us, however vicariously, and add her own special, if painful, insights. In that case I may abandon Part Two. Like Andy Roberts I

think the ramifications of this case go way beyond the rain-sodden skies of Manchester or the appearance of yet another tussle between ufologists. Perhaps, for example, Mr Mantle would care to break his terribly discreet silence?

best wishes

Peter B

"When you look into the abyss, the abyss looks back at you."
--Fred Nietzsche

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Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

From: **Jennifer Jarvis** <jarvis@globalserve.net>

Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 00:36:15 -0500

Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 10:40:46 -0500

Subject: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

Report of anomalous lights, Saturday, March 22nd, 1997.

Orange spheres of light seen from North shore of Lake Ontario.
19.30 hrs, 21.36, 22.05, 22.09, 22.24 and 22.35.

The second event was a large orange sphere which hovered over
the water, then went right into the water.

The fourth event hovered for some 5 minutes and then came down
almost to the surface, then rose up and travelled south over the
lake.

We were located in Oakville, Ontario, looking south towards
St. Catherine's, Ont. Anybody have any ideas as to what these
were?

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Re: Lights in the Swedish Sky-92

From: billjaco@ix.netcom.com
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 00:29:31 +0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 10:47:31 -0500
Subject: Re: Lights in the Swedish Sky-92

> From: John Joseph Mercieca <mufor@maltanet.net>
> Subject: (FWD) An interesting report-

> I'm forwarding this interesting report from the In Search Of mail list.

=20

> Regards,

=20

> JJ Mercieca

> Malta UFO Research

> <http://www.mufor.org/>

>

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> Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 00:01:34 +0100

> From: The N=E4slunds <nickngina@LOVEBOAT.COM>

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> Subject: [In_Search_Of] Lights in the Swedish Sky-92

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> Then before I had time to think of any other explanation for the two
> lights, there came a third! It, too, appeared "out of nowhere" and
> slowly followed the two other lights in the same precise path, and
> assumed the same distance behind the second light that the second light
> had assumed behind the first.
> hospital room said that a fourth light had followed the three other
> lights, and that all the lights simply disappeared over the lake
> adjacent to the hospital.

Maybe just a coincidence but last night I noticed a strange light in the sky with an arch-like movement - shortly followed by a second, third and fourth light. Turned out to be a advertisement light for some new business getting fired up, reflecting wierdly off the clouds - perhaps (if the lights were not craft but instead advertisement light)the light was originally aimed wrong or the business did not have the proper permits and turned them off- just a thought.

Bill Jacobs
New List member

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: **Jean van Gemert** <jeanvg@dds.nl>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 19:24:40 +0100 (MET)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:24:24 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

At 07:46 PM 3/21/97 -0500, you wrote:
>Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 17:56:22 -0600 (CST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>I agree completely! But let me reiterate: I'm not saying every filmed UFO is
>a videocamera artifact. I'm essentially addressing the "classic" hockey-puck
>UFOs (represented by a bright straw-hat shape atop an underlining dark bar)
>and the two gifs John Velez posted to this list, namely:

Dennis,

Why not make it a little more easier for us here by referring us directly
to some of the segments on the "Voyagers of the Sixth Sun" video which you
think were the result of a "videocamera artifact."

>The reason why the two images so closely resemble each other is not because
>they are the same UFO videotaped in two different countries days or months
>apart, but because the videocameras themselves, regardless of what country
>they come from (ie, Japan), generate the exact same artifact wherever they
>happened to be used.

Really now? I've seen a recording of a bright light which, when focused
upon, turned into a bright *diamond-shaped* light. This film has been
used in several UFO documentaries as well. So "videocameras generate
the exact same artifact wherever they happened to be used," eh? Moreover,
neither did the light source in the film I'm referring to acquire anything
remotely resembling a metallic-like skin. It simply *stayed* a bright
light source, unlike the UFO in the frames John Velez posted here.

In another message you said that taping Venus at night and then digitizing
the frame would also produce a "hockey-puck" UFO. Coincidentally, I taped
the night sky using an expensive Philips hand-held camera about a year ago
(as an experiment) after which I digitized some of the frames. Contrary to
your belief, the tape and digitized frames just showed a small point of light
where Venus was supposed to be. Even when blowing up the frames it remained
a point of light. Nothing more, nothing less. No hockey-puck UFOs, I'm afraid.

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John Musgrave?

From: "Joe Daniels (UFO JOE)" <ufojoe@cron-2.mco.on.ca>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 20:36:35 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:28:08 -0500
Subject: John Musgrave?

Could anyone be so kind as to let me know where I can find some information on John Musgrave, the gentleman that the Canadian Council sponsored to do UFO research.

Thank you.

[From UFO Joe Daniels <http://cron-2.mco.net>]

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Lunar Eclipse Could Reveal Mars

From: XianneKei@aol.com
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 18:28:14 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:27:29 -0500
Subject: Lunar Eclipse Could Reveal Mars

Subj: Lunar Eclipse Could Reveal Mars
Date: 97-03-22 18:07:46 EST
From: AOLNewsProfiles@aol.net

.c The Associated Press

When the moon slips into Earth's shadow Sunday night, it will be only one performer in a unique celestial dance.

The lunar eclipse nearly coincides with the opposition of Mars, a time when the planet is directly opposite Earth from the sun. So as the eclipse progresses, the red planet will shine brightly above the sliver of moon that remains visible.

And if that isn't enough, the moon's darkening will also bring up the lights of Comet Hale-Bopp as it hovers on the northwest horizon.

To see this spectacle, simply step outside and look at the sky. Dark, isolated locales will provide a more impressive view, but the show won't be too shabby in light-polluted city skies either. The complete spectacle also requires a nearly unobstructed view of the northwestern horizon, where some of the action will take place.

Things get started about 10 p.m. EST, when the moon enters the darkest part of Earth's shadow. Comet Hale-Bopp will slide down the northwestern sky as the eclipse goes on, winking below the horizon at 11 p.m. local time. In the eastern part of North America that will be about an hour into the eclipse, with the moon slightly more than half covered. On the West Coast, the eclipse will have ended already.

At 11:39 EST, the eclipse reaches its maximum, obscuring all but a tiny sliver at the top of the moon - about 8 percent of its visible surface.

The eclipse ends as the moon comes completely into view again at 1:21 a.m. EST.

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UFO UpDate: 'Libel' Thread - And a challenge to

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 15:21:50 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:26:18 -0500
Subject: UFO UpDate: 'Libel' Thread - And a challenge to

>Date: 22 Mar 97 09:51:31 EST
>From: Andy Roberts <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO Updates <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Libel - And a challenge to Friedman!

[text deleted for brevity]

>Perhaps list members feel this is a waste of time
>and space. I don't. It's a part of the subject of
>ufology. How truthful any UFO researcher is is of
>great concern. Much more so when they are claiming
>exotic explanations for the UFO phenomenon as
>Friedman does.

The problem I have with your stance is that we begin debating the validity of the personalities involved, and not the actual evidence. While I am willing to listen to the theories presented by researchers, I still have to accept their "evidence" to accept the theory. Any "exotic explanation" is a theory, not evidence, and should not be accepted unless it is supported by the evidence at hand. The question of whether or not there is enough evidence is up to the person making the judgement, and I would doubt that we would ever ALL agree on the amount of supporting evidence that is needed.

I would also suggest that immunity from further claims of libel would be unrealistic in this matter. To do so would allow either side to make any claims they wish, without fear of being held accountable for those statements. If you are going to rely on this forum to act at the "court of public opinion", I would doubt that you could get any kind of consensus and the debate would go on without hope of any resolution. That, IMHO, is not helpful to the genre.

>Even if a debate does not take place it would be
>interesting to hear Friedman's reaction to the
>suggestion of one - his unwillingness to answer
>the majority of points made was, to my mind,
>*highly* suspicious.

>Let it roll.

>Andy

I'm not sure how many others have done the same, but I have forwarded your post to Stanton, who is (I believe) travelling quite a bit from one speaking engagement to another. If I get a response that is of interest, I will post it here.

Steve

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 00:31:22 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:29:31 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

>Date: 22 Mar 97 08:53:44 EST
>From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Linda Cortile Tapes?

>>Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 19:33:52 -0500
>>From: Scott Hale <shale@megalinx.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>Subject: Linda Cortile Tapes?

>>Also, why is the area under FDR Drive fenced off?<

>You mean it is STILL fenced off? When I was there last November it
>looked like some sort of short-term construction project. I thought
>this would be done by now.

>Bob

Bob,

You're talking about New York! It takes us ten years just to get across
town! <G>

John Velez

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Re: TLC UFO Marathon

From: **XianneKei@aol.com**
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 05:40:16 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:31:03 -0500
Subject: Re: TLC UFO Marathon

>Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 22:49:15 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Steven Kaeser <skaeser@konsulting.com>
>Subject: Re: TLC UFO marathon

This is from The Discovery Channel Monthly. All typing errors are mine. All Times are Eastern. You can always check out Media Watch at www.cninews.com for weekly TV listings of the weird. (New list every Friday)

SUNDAY 3/23

6:30 pm DSC -- "Terra X: Mummies of the land of Gold" -- CAT scans of ancient mummies enable scientists to interpret the customs of Incan civilization. One Inca legacy, a centuries-old irrigation network, is still used today -- a testament of their craftsmanship and ingenuity.

7:00 pm DSC -- "Mysterious Universe" -- Spontaneous Human Combustion is Arthur C. Clarke's topic tonight.

9:00 pm DSC [repeats at 1:00 am] -- "Discovery Sunday: Secret Satellite" -- Corona was the first spy satellite. Despite exploding rockets and crumbling film, a secret team of spies, soldiers, and scientists put the trailblazing capsule into space.

9:00 pm TLC [repeats at midnight] -- "Alien Invasion--Area 51: Part One" -- Is the US government hiding alien corpses and spacecraft beneath the Nevada desert? The story that Area 51, site of a secret military airbase, contains UFOs even became part of the plot in the film "Independence Day."

Journalists, engineers, and others explore explanations for the strange sightings near Area 51, also known as Dreamland.

10:00 pm TLC [repeats at 1:00 am] -- "Alien Invasion--Area 51: Part Two" -- Is the US military conducting a cover-up -- a 'cosmic Watergate' -- of UFO crash landings? In the Nevada desert is a heavily guarded, top-secret installation. Does it contain alien spacecraft that the government is back-engineering to create its own flying saucers? Or are all the covert operations nothing more than the testing of state-of-the-art American aircraft?

MONDAY 3/24

8:00 pm TLC [repeats at 11:00 pm] -- "Extreme Machines: Rockets" -- Learn the history of rockets, from the earliest Russian rockets to the latest American hardware. Take a detailed look at how a rocket engine works, review the many uses of rockets, and blast into the future.

9:00 pm TLC [repeats at midnight] -- "Aliens Invade Hollywood" -- The movies have portrayed creatures from outer space in a variety of ways over the years.

10:00 pm TLC [repeats at 1:00 am] -- "Future Fantastic: Alien" -- A growing number of scientists believe we are not alone, though they don't agree on what aliens may look like or what message they might bring. They search for alien life on other worlds, and here on earth.

TUESDAY 3/25

9:00 pm DSC [repeats at midnight] -- "Mysterious Universe" -- A.C. Clarke explores prehistoric puzzles, such as stones recently discovered off the coast of California. These stones resemble anchors and may prove that the Chinese discovered America long before Columbus.

9:00 pm TLC [repeats at midnight] -- "UFOs and Alien Encounters" -- The historic record of unbelievable events is reviewed, including stories of miracles, visits from aliens, prophecies, and mythical beasts. Believers and skeptics debate historical fact and fiction.

10:00 pm TLC [repeats at 1:00 am] -- "UFO" -- Witnesses who report UFO sightings encounter skepticism, ridicule, and sometimes threats -- even when these extraordinary events are captured on videotape. Some believe there have been governmental coverups.

WEDNESDAY 3/26

9:00 pm DSC [repeats at midnight] -- "Discover Magazine" -- Tidal waves, or tsunamis, are a deadly threat to coastal areas in Japan and elsewhere. Also: the surprising site of the strongest earthquake in the US; and a Monsterrat volcano awakens after 400 years.

9:00 pm TLC [repeats at midnight] -- "E.T.: Please Phone Earth" -- In 1992, NASA launched a \$100 million, ten-year program to scan the universe for radio broadcasts from other civilizations. No one knows what's out there, but scientists are determined to learn.

10:00 pm TLC [repeats at 1:00 am tonight] -- "Alien Encounter" -- Join scientists as they search for life beyond Earth. Consider what other life forms might look like. Though there is no official plan if contact is made, if we ever do meet aliens, everything will change.

THURSDAY 3/27

9:00 pm TLC [repeats at midnight] -- "Close Encounters of the Fifth Kind" -- More than four million Americans claim to have been abducted by alien beings. Are these close encounters fact or the result of chemical reactions in the brain?

10:00 pm TLC [repeats at 1:00 am] -- "Case of the UFOs" -- In the 1970s, people made numerous sightings of UFOs in the United States and Great Britain. Scientists were able to explain these events -- most of the time.

FRIDAY 3/28

8:00 pm TLC [repeats at 11:00 pm] -- "The Quest: Surviving in Space" -- Man has developed the technology to explore the outer reaches of our galaxy, but we cannot yet travel there ourselves. Scientists are working to overcome our physical and psychological limitations.

9:00 pm TLC [repeats at midnight] -- "UFOs and Other Close Encounters" -- Unidentified flying objects are usually dismissed as fantasy, but sightings are often reported by credible witnesses. Could there be truth in the reports? Some are hoaxes, but others can't be explained.

10:00 pm TLC [repeats at 1:00 am] -- "Is Anyone Out There" -- There are a half-trillion stars in the Milky Way galaxy. Is there other intelligent life in the universe? Scientists, visionaries, and dreamers have their eyes and ears trained on the heavens.

10:30 pm TLC [repeats at 1:30 am] -- "Alien Abduction" -- Does one believe the alleged experiences of alien abduction victims? In psychiatric, journalistic, and academic circles, bizarre claims of alien abductions have become a subject of passionate debate.

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Re: Space UFOs Identified?

From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 07:00:04 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:33:09 -0500
Subject: Re: Space UFOs Identified?

>From: FS337211@Sol.YorkU.CA
>Date: Mon, 17 Mar 1997 20:03:07 -0500 (EST)
>Subject: Space UFOs Identified?
>To: updates@globalserve.net

Nick Balaskas wrote:

>Any comments on how ELVES may be related to Earth Lights?

I don't know, Nick, but they sound fascinating. Can you give a few references for these things? It would seem all ufologists should know more about these phenomena.

Thanks.
Paul [Devereux]

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 07:20:53 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:35:04 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
>Date: Tue, 18 Mar 97 09:49:55 -0700
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>,

Bill Hamilton wrote:

>I do not understand the "earth lights" angle here. These
>are not "lights" - they are metallic objects seen in clear
>daylight skies.

If EL are plasmas of some kind, then they can glow brightly in the dark *and* quite readily appear shiny and metallic in daylight (or even artificial light). They are also likely to appear spherical, and, quite possibly, discoid.

Speaking for my own part, on something that is loosely related, in 1967, in brilliant sunny weather in Suffolk, England, I and one other witness saw a perfectly, utterly, pitch-black flying object at a little above tree-top height at about a half-mile distance. It was round, but whether it was a globe, a disc on edge or some kind of supernormal 'black hole' it was impossible to tell, because there was no reflection from this thing. It then vanished before our eyes, only to reappear moments later about a quarter of a mile further on, whereupon it flew up out of sight (we were passengers travelling in a car).

There are reports of black ball lightning too. My own guess is that these black objects are the 'opposite pole' to lights, representing a literal black hole sucking in photons. Shining plasma-type EL and these black holes could represent a sort of anode-diode polarity to the phenomenon, perhaps.

Whatever, EL do not appear only as LITS.

Regards,
Paul

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UFO 'Fanzines'?

From: **Joaquim Fernandes** <j.fernan@mithlond.esoterica.pt>
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 12:43:37 +0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:47:29 -0500
Subject: UFO 'Fanzines'?

To all members of the list:

I am searching help for a doctorate thesis on popular mass media - i.e. non-commercial fanzines and magazines produced by young individuals and highschool groups - without sophisticated means (photocopies, etc.) or continuity from all the world, concerned with the ET idea associated with UFO phenomena. The same interest is due to publicity signs and images related to these items, with special focus on the 1970's untill the beginning the 80's. The reason is both the importance of the 1974 Portuguese Revolution as an open window to all the forbidden subjects and its expressions and also the place of the popular urban "journalism" within the young portuguese community in the middle 70's.

I will thank all the bibliographic aid and suggestions, authors, dictionaries, and more urgent titles of newsletters, fanzines and magazines of the "alternative" kind, as I said, non-commercial, naive edition style. A short vesrion of the thesis will be send to all the contributors.

Thank you.

Joaquim Fernandes,

University Fernando Pessoa,
Porto, Portugal.

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Re: EL/TST

From: DevereuxP@aol.com
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 07:40:53 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:40:13 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:00:06 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

On 16 March, Jerry Cohen made an extensive posting so full of 'attitude' that I can't really be bothered to respond in full. But I will pick up on a few points he made, just to show willing.

>JC: Paul, I'm sure I've missed something here. Did you say you >have proof that particular light that was "on-off"/"here-gone-here" >was an "earth light." Could you possibly point the members of >this list directly to this information? Is it on the NET. I am >interested in seeing this.

No - I didn't say we have proof, we have evidence. I discuss the matter in some length in EARTH LIGHTS REVELATION (1989/90.). A case of this is also described in the Final Technical Report of Project Hessdalen. This, like so much, is not on the literature circuit of American ufology. Don't blame me, blame the publishers and the attitudes and interests their market research people perceive in U.S. ufology..

As for the Net - the longer I look, the less I see that is worthwhile from a ufological standpoint, to be quite honest with you. In any event, don't shun good old-fashioned books and that wonderful democratic institution, the library.

> JC:...If you had "little chancesnip....
>to check the matter," how could you have determined that this >green light was an "earth light" [at Mexico City airport]?

I obviously didn't make myself clear. I meant that there have been few cases where we can check the effect of radar on EL. But I gave you the best quick summary I could. As for the Mexican air traffic people, my colleagues and I went into their sightings quite fully with them, have no fear.

>JC: So then, in this case [Marfa, Texas], you are reporting a >"failed-study?"

Not at all. I simply said that we were unable to get tapes from the authorities who run the radar blimp in that area. I didn't say anything about our study which was in many ways successful (we identified what most people think of as the Marfa lights as distant vehicle and other effects, but we did see one authentic EL in the depths of the Chisos mountains after being tipped off about a suitable location by a local perosn.)

>JC: When you get it [radar tapes], I for one would be happy >to see it. I'm sure others would as well.

You and me both. (You have the training, expertise and facilities to study such material, I assume?)

>JC: Again, many of us have never said there are no such things >as earth lights...

I'm glad to hear it.

>...but, the person(s) studying them has to 1) prove they are
>"earth lights" and not something else.... <snip>

Well, I could say that *you* have to prove they *are* something else! It cuts both ways. In truth, all any of us can do is acquire the best evidence we can, and be prepared to drop our pet beliefs if the evidence isn't forthcoming. The EThers have had 50 years, the ELers have had about 20. We are doing as least as well as the EThers as far as I can see. And we are increasing our efforts.

>JC: And did you capture this [golden lights seen by PD in Cornwall]
>on film for others to view?

No, my old son, I didn't. I wasn't out skywatching when these phenomena were seen - I was nearing the end of a 350-mile drive, and it was around midnight. There were two adults and one child witness with me, though. One of these did have a snapshot camera, and she took a pic but it didn't come out. Sorry!

However, we *have* got some pix from sessions where we deliberately studied areas for EL. Some will be shown in UFOs & UFOLOGY when it comes out later this year.

>JC: And you've proven conclusively that light [at Barmouth,
>1905] was an "earthlight?" May we see that proof? Again, we'd
>be quite interested and impressed.

What do you consider as 'proof'? How many UFO sightings do you consider have been 'proven'?

Have you not read the reports on this case [Barmouth, 1905]? Have you not read EARTH LIGHTS REVELATION on it? Do so and make up your own mind. I have investigated the multi-witness, specified location report in question and many others in the area, and I have no doubts at all. What can I tell you?

> AUGUST 5, 1981 National Enquirer:... <snip>.

Is this your idea of 'proof' (of anything)? I grow uneasy that your reading seems to be on the Net and in the National Enquirer...

> <snip>...Landrum can't tell an "earthlight" from a UFO or a
>diamond from a sphere. It's those darn hallucinations. They get
>you every time. Did I hear you say there were fault lines in the
>vicinity?

Huh? Come again, Jerry?

>And the beeps? Earthlights beep too, right? I'm sure you've recorded
>this somewhere.

I have done a survey of sounds associated with EL, yes. Haven't you read that? A version is in EARTH LIGHTS REVELATION (which no U.S. publisher would handle....)

> And I must have forgotten that gravity pushes plasmas into a
>"diamond shape." Maybe it's my rotten human perception that does
>this. I'll have to go back and check this out.

>From the sounds of it, you'd better check *something* out, that's
for sure....

>JC: Hmmn. I haven't heard the "vorton" one [Fryberger's hypothesis].
>Is it possible for one to see this posted somewhere as well?

Now you have seen the Earth Lights film on Discovery, you will at least have a general idea, I imagine. All good things do not come via the Net...

>JC: [Bentwaters]... must be just like the Belgium case where
>it got _repelled_ from the front part of the plane that was diving
>trying to catch it after it got computerized radar lock-on. The
>same plane that got the gun camera data? Very interesting. I'd
>like to see that demonstrated in a lab. Perhaps a member of your
>group could perform this experiment for us?

The logistics seem a bit too daunting, I fear....

> >>So, in short, we really do not know what EL has to explain<<
>- JC: You said it, not me.

No, you said it. *I'm* saying we do not really know what EL is supposed to have to explain, as the alternative notions don't add up to a whole heap...You know, citing videos by the Elders, reports in National Enquirer, statements, credos and flames on the Net, etc., doesn't inspire much confidence.

>JC: A large number of us would agree with you [that EL and >spaceships can coinhabit the skies]. The real trouble here is, >you really don't believe they can.

Since when are you in a position to make that statement?

>JC: Ah, yes, here we go again...the highly scientific approach >of bashing " 'ufology' ...in America." Paul, you sound a little >like the person who wrote; "FLYING-SAUCEROLOGY: Europe vs the >USA...<snip>."

I live in the United States, I'm married to an American, I pay taxes in the United States, I spend my money there. (I am the EThers nightmare - a 'resident alien'... I suppose that makes my old Subaru a kind of structured alien craft...). But I do come from a slightly different culture, and each year I live and travel considerably in other societies and cultures. There is much I like about the United States and its people. But the naive, over-simplistic and literal attitude they take to numerous topics, especially ufology, isn't one of them. If you had my 'alien' perspective, you really would see that much (not all) of what goes on in 'mainstream' US ufology looks at times a bit like a meeting of the Barking Mad Society. It *does* feel like a trip to Salem during the witchhunting trials. The United States *does* have a tendency to be very inward-looking in some respects, to think of itself as the sole norm of everything. Miller's CRUCIBLE said it better than I - whether it is McCarthyism or whatever. The sheer size and power of a high-tech United States focusing on its own navel is a distressing wonder to behold - and, again, nowhere more so than in ufology. Alas, the perspective I am speaking of is by definition invisible visible to most of those involved within it, so you *cannot* accept the point I am making. It is just one of those things, I suppose.

I tell you this as a friend, not an enemy.(I could tell you much worse things about Britain, I assure you!) It is just an alien's eye view.

May your ship come in (from wherever).
Paul

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Of Linda, Hopkins and the Bridge

From: "Klemm - Pamela S." <psklemm@umd5.umd.edu>
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 10:29:29 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:49:25 -0500
Subject: Of Linda, Hopkins and the Bridge

Dennis, Greg, et all-

At one time there was talk of trying to secure the film from the bridge at the time of the abduction, taken by the cameras that monitor the bridge. Was this ever found or was it routinely taped over?

Pam

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: Vince_Johnson_at_TENSOR_HSTN@ccmailsmtp.hstn.expl.pgs.com

Date: Sat, 22 Mar 97 15:21:46 cst

Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:51:30 -0500

Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

>Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 07:28:04 -0500

>From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>

>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>

>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

In his defense of the Linda case, the esteemable Greg Sandow wrote to the San Antonio Sasquatch:

>I know I've answered Dennis Stacy already, but there's one remaining point I ought to address.

>Dennis, imagining that the NY Post would get a juicy story if its delivery drivers saw the UFO that supposedly abducted Linda "Cortile" and Perez de Cuellar, first remarks:

>> It would take only one person
>> to notice same to alert everyone else in the parking lot to
>> it. In which case, in NY's competitive dog-eat-dog market, the
>> Post would have scored a sensational scoop. Instead, not a
>> peep.

>And later, he asks:

>> How much would a tabloid pay
>> for the headline: "I SAW THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UN
>> ABDUCTED BY ALIENS!"?

(snip)

>However, not even most supermarket tabloids would run headlines like the one Dennis imagines. The Enquirer did once write about UFOs, but now it sticks to celebrity gossip, and leaves UFO stories to its offshoot the Weekly World News, which makes them up. (And also to the WWN's infinitesimal competition, the Sun, which for all I know isn't even printed any more.) It's true that one of the lesser gossip tabloids did print a story about the de Cuellar abduction, but only because he denied it. The denial became a silly kind of celebrity news. I can't imagine any of the supermarket rags printing the allegation that de Cuellar was abducted, if the burden of the story was that it really happened. These papers walk a narrow line between sleaze and lawsuits, and almost never print anything substantial that they can't verify. The mere fact of witnesses claiming to see the abduction wouldn't count as verification. (And anyway, would the drivers have seen de Cuellar being taken? Please!)

Hi Greg,

I think you've overlooked two important points made by your own statement:

1) The sensational tabloid-style headline to which you refer ("I SAW THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UN ABDUCTED BY ALIENS!") is essentially the claim being made by Hopkins et al, isn't it?

2) Supermarket tabloids apparently exercise greater journalistic integrity than Hopkins has in this case -- since as you say "These papers ... almost never print anything substantial that they can't verify."

Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

I don't think even Greg Sandow would classify the Linda case as "verified" at this point.

Regards,

Vince

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UFO photo or artist's impression?

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:44:09 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 11:44:09 -0500
Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?

Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 13:48:35 +0100
To: updates@globalserve.net
From: John Joseph Mercieca <mufor@maltanet.net>
Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?

Hi all,

I've just been sent the attached image that is supposedly a photo of a UFO taken in Florida in February.

It looks to me that the "photo" is really an artist's impression of a triangular ufo. I'd be glad if anyone with any graphics knowledge could take a look at it and comment on whether it is really a photo or not.

Thanks.

JJ Mercieca
Malta UFO Research
<http://www.mufor.org/>

(E-mail that came with image)

>You tell me what you think of this photo taken on February 8, 1997 at
>about 1:30 am over the Prairie off HWY 441 in central Florida. There
>was no moon, so all the emitting light is from the object. I am not
>sure of what to think of it...and I took it.

>It did make a sound, like fluorescent light ballast. It moved very
>slow, like a blimp. but it had the ability to "vanish" to another area
>quickly.

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Dutch UFO Organisations?

From: **Raine & Crow** <crow@crowman.demon.co.uk>

Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 18:55:33 GMT

Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 19:55:46 -0500

Subject: Dutch UFO Organisations?

Can any one supply names and addresses of any ufo organisations for Holland, Netherlands, or email or web site thanks you may send directly to me at address above
Crow & Raine.....

<http://www.crowman.demon.co.uk>

<http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Corridor/3665/>

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Re: UFO photo or artist's impression?

From: **Ralf Zeigermann** <kag15@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 97 19:14:52 +0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 19:59:49 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO photo or artist's impression?

>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 13:48:35 +0100
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: John Joseph Mercieca <mufor@maltanet.net>
>Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?

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>of a UFO taken in Florida in February.

>It looks to me that the "photo" is really an artist's impression
>of a triangular ufo. I'd be glad if anyone with any graphics
>knowledge could take a look at it and comment on whether it is
>really a photo or not.

Hi John,

the attached jpeg is neither a photograph nor an 'artist's impression'-
it's something made up in Photoshop with the help of a couple of
filters and plug-ins ('lens flare'...grin).

It's not even done good, not even a piece of art...sorry. The more
I think about it: it's awful. Disgusting. Terrible. Most unfortunate.

Gee...

Cheers,
Ralf

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'UFO' In Mississauga, Ontario?

From: **Aaron Warner** <mulder@octonline.com>
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 12:08:46 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 20:19:54 -0500
Subject: 'UFO' In Mississauga, Ontario?

On Thursday of last week, walking home from being out, I looked up into the sky, and heading towards me was a helicopter. It came closer, and then I noticed it was black and unmarked, flying lower than normal.

That night, when I was out, I saw a red light in the sky. Thinking it was a plane, I watched it, but then it suddenly streaked across the sky leaving a trail behind it. It then stopped in the distance, pulsed, faded in and out, and then totally disappeared!

Did anyone else see something like this, or hear anything about it?

The helicopter thing isn't new to me, I see at least 1 black unmarked helicopter a month!

Regards,

Aaron Warner

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'ET Law' Dropped in 1991

From: kathi.hennesey@awaiter.com (Kathi Hennesey) (by way of Erik <Beckjord@transbay.net>)
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 16:04:04 GMT
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 20:09:34 -0500
Subject: 'ET Law' Dropped in 1991

To Erik & the Insiders List:

RE: 14 CFR Part 1211/So-called "ET Exposure Law"

Mark Commerford, OPUS Legal Counsel, forwarded me a copy of a document stating that this section of the CFR (Code of Federal Regulations) has been removed and *is no longer effective.* Here's the info. from the printout from one of the government legal databases:

Citation: 56 FR 19259-01
1991 WL 312632
Cite as: 56 FR 19259 Database: FR

Found Document

Rules and Regulations: National Aeronautics and Space Administration
14 CFR Part 1211
Extraterrestrial Exposure
Friday, April 26, 1991

*19259 Agency: NASA

Action: Final rule

Summary: NASA is removing 14 CFR Part 1211 since it has served its purpose and is no longer in keeping with current policy.

Addresses: Office of Space Science and Applications, Code S, NASA
Headquarters, Washington, DC 20546

For further information contact: Kathryn S. Schmoll, 202-453-1410

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 1211: Extraterrestrial exposure, environmental protection, security measures, space transportation and exploration.

Part 1211 -- Removed

14 CFR Part 1211 (consisting of ss 1211.100 through 1211.108) is hereby removed and reserved.

Richard H. Truly, Administrator

(FR Doc. 91-9904 Filed 4-25-91; 8:45 am)

56 FR 19259-01, 1991 WL 312632 (F.R.)

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There's plenty of detail in this document for anyone wishing to follow up & confirm this change of status. I'm amazed that 6 years after this reg. was rescinded, we're still operating under the assumption that it's still in effect. We can certainly do better than this as researchers. The CFR isn't exactly an "eyes-only" document!

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Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

From: "Joe Daniels (UFO JOE)" <ufojoe@cron-2.mco.on.ca>
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 12:02:00 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 13:20:30 -0500
Subject: Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

On Sun, 23 Mar 1997, UFO UpDates - Toronto wrote:

> Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 00:36:15 -0500
> From: Jennifer Jarvis <jarvis@globalserve.net>
> Reply-To: jarvis@globalserve.net
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Orange orbs over Lake Ontario
>
> Report of anomalous lights, Saturday, March 22nd, 1997.
>
> Orange spheres of light seen from North shore of Lake Ontario.
> 19.30 hrs, 21.36, 22.05, 22.09, 22.24 and 22.35.
>
> The second event was a large orange sphere which hovered over
> the water, then went right into the water.
>
> The fourth event hovered for some 5 minutes and then came down
> almost to the surface, then rose up and travelled south over the
> lake.
>
> We were located in Oakville, Ontario, looking south towards
> St. Catherine's, Ont. Anybody have any ideas as to what these were?

I am very interested in these sightings. In 1995-96 these "orbs" were reported over a variety store located on the shore of Burlington Beach on the Hamilton TV station CHCH TV 11. However the sighting was never written up in local newspaper. At the time I was only mildly interested so I never wrote down exact date.

In 1992 a Mrs. Rehel spotted Orange Orbs in Glanbrook, just outside Hamilton, Ontario and actually captured them on video. A large write-up appeared in the Hamilton Spectator, Friday August 14, 1992. I have the article online at <http://cron-2.mco.net/web/ufo/hamilton> under "Glanbrook"

I am interested in all sightings in Southern Ontario.

[From UFO Joe Daniels <http://cron-2.mco.net>]

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 14:55:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 20:42:46 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 09:43:13 -0600 (CST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>John Velez wrote,

>>Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 00:36:47 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>>If you had taken the time to do your homework, by securing
>>and viewing the videos in question, you'd know that the
>>Mexican footage was analysed at the University of Mexico
>>video lab and deemed by their experts to be "genuine"!

>>"Genuine" in this case meaning, not hoaxed, not video
>>artifacts, or special effects.

Dennis writes,

>Dear John:

>If it walks like a duck and looks like a duck, it's got at >least a good
>chance of having feathers and making quacking >sounds. But I'm game. Just
>who are these experts?

(snip)

Quack, quack, Hairy one! Contact, (Jaime Maussan) in Mexico City. He's got
a website where you can write to him directly.

Jaime Maussan is Mike Wallaces mexican counterpart. The host and anchorman
of Sesenta Minutos, (60 minutes) Through him, you can access the following
people;

University Professor, Dr Carlos Perez

Police Chief, Commandante Cruz

Catholic Priest, Fr.Emanuel Ferrar

Sr.Jose Reyes, Mexico City Meteorological Service

Sr.Miguel Angel Ordonez Rosales, Mayor, Atlixco Mexico

Sr.Alvarez, Professional cameraman

This last gentleman (Sr.Alvarez) has video footage of one of your video
artifacts dividing and then separating as it is being recorded! Splain dat
gwon Lucy? <G>

Good luck in your research Dennis. Will I get credit for having done all of
your homework for you when your analysis or report comes out?

I don't think so.

In fact, I don't think that you'll follow up on any of this at all! It
would mean that you'll have to settle your arguements with the folks that

are most directly involved. And I don't think that you're quite ready to listen to what they have to say.

It's easy for you to spout off on me, I'm nobody. Let's see what you can do with the likes of Jaime Maussan and the list of highly reputable and credible people that I have posted for you above. I await the report of the results of your interviews with these individuals. (If you can take the time to grill me about it, and I'm just the messenger,) you can contact the above individuals who are DIRECTLY involved and tell *them* about your 'video artifact' theory!

>Now you familiarize yourself with the kind of video
>artifact I'm talking about, and then tell me that there
>aren't any similarities.

I am, these ain't those! <G>

>Don't cry for me, Mexico City!

They're not the ones who'll be cryin' when the sightings become too frequent for even the media to squelch.

>Live From the Lip of the Olmos Basin
>The Tonsorial Trapeze Artist and
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City slicker question Dennis:

Are your cowboy boots hard to clean after walking through so much cowpie? <G>

John Velez :)

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Linda Moulton Howe

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Subject: Linda Moulton Howe

From: Milt & Donna Benn <mdbenn@2-cool.com>

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Subject: Linda Moulton Howe

There is a fascinating article by Magical Blend Online documenting a one on one interview with Linda Moulton Howe. Ms. Howe is an Emmy award winning journalist who has worked hard over the past many years in bringing UFO related incidents into the mainstream news media.

During her interview, in relation to a question about what she fears most, Ms. Howe states *'My greatest fear has been of my own government.'*

It's an interesting read and can be found at:

<http://www.magicalblend.com:80/Moulton.html>

Regards,

Milt

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Re: John Musgrave?

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Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 20:49:57 -0500
Subject: Re: John Musgrave?

> Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 20:36:35 -0500 (EST)
> From: "Joe Daniels (UFO JOE)" <ufojoe@cron-2.mco.on.ca>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> cc: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Re: John Musgrave

> Could anyone be so kind as to let me know where I can find some information
> on John Musgrave, the gentleman that the Canadian Council sponsored to do
> UFO research.

Yes. John is in BC now, out of mainstream ufology. He had managed to copy most of the APRO files before the Lorenzen's passed away. I had a card from him last year. His book on entity cases is quite interesting.

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Re: EL/TST

From: **Jerry Cohen** <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 16:59:41 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 20:46:53 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:56:23 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: EL/TST & Galleons...

>Date: Sat, 15 Mar 1997 12:04:28 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <"Greg Sandow"@prodigy.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

>>Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 19:48:59 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

>Jerry wrote:

>>I believe your theory has tended to neglect the fact that many
>>ufologists already mentally put these "nocturnal light" cases
>>in a lesser category, in view of the fact that out of the multitude
>>of cases in existence, they are lesser detailed cases, and
>>by definition, concern amorphous, rather than, "visibly-structured"
>>objects. Therefore, although your work is highly interesting
>>and will probably help us become aware of certain natural phenomena
>>that exist on and within our planet, its applications to UFO
>>sightings per se are necessarily limited.

>Yes, well, I don't see it quite this way. The fact remains that
>LITS are the most common type of sighting. We have to ask ourselves
>what the real status of the 'structured craft' is - that's the
>point. I **know** that's what ETH ufologists are most interested
>in, and that's why they demote LITS, but that is a psychological
>preference, nothing to do with objectivity. It is in effect a
>cultural factor with these people.

JC: Paul, you are not exactly accurate here, and you did tell Greg
"Thanks Greg. The devil is in the details, isn't he?"

I submit the following in regard to the place of Nocturnal Lights in
the grand scheme of things. It is important to remember that Hynek
spent twenty years with Blue Book thinking about all this and
eventually devising his classification system.

Although he wasn't thinking about TST back then, and we certainly can
further subdivide his original classifications, I believe the basic
categories still hold true today. J.C.

BRIEF SUMMARY of HYNEK CLASSIFICATIONS:

Nocturnal lights: Strangely behaving lights in the night sky

Daylight Discs: UFOs sighted in the daytime.

Radar & Radar/visual sightings: Radar sightings and those with
visual support

CE 1: Detailed sighting but no observable interaction with the

witness or the environment.

CE 11: UFO is observed interacting with the environment and frequently, the witness as well.

CE 111: Basically a CE 11 case where the UFO occupants make themselves known.

JC: To develop a perspective regarding TSTs and where they fit in regarding UFOs, I believe the following review of an analysis of the Air Force's twenty year collection of UFO reports is important.

REVISED BLUE BOOK STATISTICS:

The following quotes from: Hynek, J. Allen . The Hynek UFO Report . Chapt. 11 "The Air Force Numbers Game" . Dell Publishing Co, Inc. 1977

The Revised Blue Book Statistics -- What Really Was Going On?

A member of the staff of the Center for UFO Studies and I have comprehensively re-evaluated all the cases which comprise the ninety-four reels of microfilmed Project Blue Book records. Despite Blue Book's inadequate follow-up and investigation of the bulk of these cases, it was possible for us to form some sort of judgment as to whether or not the Air Force conclusions were, in each case, valid. In many cases we agreed with the Air Force--and in many we did not. So, let us now examine how things change when one grants the assumption that there may indeed be some sort of unidentified aerial phenomena, source and nature unknown, which may have been, for the most part, accurately reported by over sixteen thousand witnesses.

J.C. Hynek lists the revised number of unidentifieds by year from 1947-69, totaling approximately 640. (Which worked out to about 5.8% unidentified after reexamination. Then he says...

Now let us see what kind of UFOs we are dealing with. The reader is by now well acquainted with the classification scheme utilized in this book, and it is of interest to examine the 640 revised "Unknowns" to see how they divide themselves into these classes.

TABLE 11.5 -- Types of Revised Unknowns

Type	Number	% of Unknowns
Nocturnal Lights.....	243.....	38%
Daylight Discs.....	271.....	42
Radar-Visual.....	29.....	5
Radar.....	10.....	2
Close Encounters of the first kind.....	46.....	7
Close Encounters of the second kind.....	33.....	5
Close Encounters of the third kind.....	8.....	1

What is extremely surprising here is the great number of Daylight Disc cases reported. These cases, from Blue Book files alone, and neglecting the wealth of information from the civilian UFO organizations around the world, involve many hundreds of witnesses, the majority of them with Air Force or some other technical background (sometimes scientific). It is rather surprising that Nocturnal Lights do not lead the list, as they do in most other studies.

Less surprising is the fact that far fewer "high strangeness" cases were reported to the Air Force, or to be exact, reached the Blue Book desks.*

A check of cases available in the open literature, not including the unpublished files of APRO and NICAP, show that, conservatively, at least five times as many high strangeness cases did not reach the Blue Book list as did (J.C. i.e. were recorded). Probably the figure is closer to ten times the cases than five. I surmise that the factor was larger in the late years of Blue Book because by that time the "all is nonsense" approach of the Air Force was well known and it had become clear to the general public that reporting strange UFO events to the Air Force was not only pointless as a serious scientific matter, but was apt to bring ridicule to the reporter.

* We have ample evidence, not only from the reports received by the Center for UFO Studies, which is a relatively new organization, but from the two oldest civilian UFO fact-gathering organizations, the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization and the National Investigations Committee for Aerial Phenomena, that a large number of "high strangeness" cases have, in fact, occurred-particularly Close Encounter cases of all three types.

J.C. Please remember:

- a) Blue Book (the Air Force) had been skewing the results to reduce the number of unknowns. That is why the reanalysis was necessary. (see following address) Oberg/Cooper rebuttal.5
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m06-011.shtml>
- b) Additionally, these were statistics for 1949-69. Blue Book closed in 1969, almost 30 years ago. There have been many well detailed, dramatic cases since that time including the FOIA documented 1975 SAC Base visits, Walton, Moody, Pascagoula, and Belgium NATO Military Encounter 1989/90, to name just a few.

Paul, when one is appraised of the preceding, it becomes obvious that those claiming that TST and "generated helmet visions" are a "major solution" to UFOs are possibly not cognizant of this portion of the data, or if they are, they are ignoring it. Again, they are, at the moment, analyzing what Hynek felt was actually less than 38% of the unidentified cases (because of the number of high strangeness cases that never reached the Air Force) and the lesser detailed ones at that, but claiming that those cases cover a larger portion than they actually do. They have a long way to go to complete _that_ analysis properly. (And it must be done on a specific "case by case" basis. Generalities will not solve the problem or make it go away.) Serious UFO researchers are certainly open to this analysis, and actually welcome it, but only in this proper manner.

Looking forward to your eventual comments on SKYTHING 1960 & Exeter and how they relate to your theories. You mentioned in a note to me that you don't have the time to comment on these specific cases and how your theories relate to them. This is certainly unfortunate for the reasons mentioned above.

Again, those addresses are:

- Exeter 1/2 <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/jan/m26-010.shtml>
- Exeter 2/2 <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/jan/m26-008.shtml>

SKYTHING 1960 is archived at:
<http://www.li.net/~rjcohen/ocr.la.html>
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Respectfully submitted,
Jerry Cohen

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If anyone else is interested, here are some additional Hynek comments on Nocturnal lights followed by a detailed look at his UFO classification system.

The following quote from Hynek, J. Allen . The UFO Experience . Henry Regnery Co. 1972 . Part II: The Data and the Problem . 5 Nocturnal Lights

REGARDING NOCTURNAL LIGHTS:

It should be clearly understood that initial light-in-the-night-sky reports have a very low survival rate. An experienced investigator readily recognizes most of these for what they are: bright meteors, aircraft landing lights, balloons, planets, violently twinkling stars, searchlights, advertising lights on planes, refueling missions, etc. When one realizes the unfamiliarity of the general public with lights in the night sky of this variety, it is obvious why so many such UFO reports arise. Of course, such trivial cases do not satisfy the definition of UFO used in this book.

The following quotes from: Hynek, J. Allen . The Hynek UFO Report . Chapt. 2 . =B63 . Dell Publishing Co, Inc. 1977

HYNEK'S UFO CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM (in depth)

A number of years ago I devised a simple classification system, much like an astronomer might use to classify different types of stars or a zoologist different types of beetles that he came across in his explorations.

NOCTURNAL LIGHTS:

Since the most frequently reported sightings are those of strangely behaving lights in the night sky, I called these simply, Nocturnal Lights. This doesn't include just any lights that puzzle the observer (many people are puzzled by bright planets, twinkling stars, and aircraft at night), but those which are truly puzzling, even to experts, because their behavior does not fit the pattern of lights from known sources. One must always keep in mind that the "U" in UFO simply means "unidentified" -- but unidentified to all, not just to the witnesses. (J.C. obviously an important point.)

DAYLIGHT DISCS:

Then there are the UFOs sighted in the daytime. Since the majority (but not all) of these have an oval shape and are often reported as metallic-looking, these are simply called Daylight Discs. Most UFO photographs made in the daytime portray such discs (see p. 95). It could be that Nocturnal Lights observed in the daytime would appear as Daylight Discs -- we don't know. But observationally the distinction is useful.

RADAR & RADAR-VISUAL SIGHTINGS:

A separate category is also needed for UFOs that are indicated by radar. An important subdivision in this category are radar findings that are supported by visual observations. If it can be established with reasonable assurance that a radar sighting confirms a visual sighting, or vice versa, then obviously this sighting is of major importance.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS:

A broad category of utmost importance consists of those UFO sightings, regardless of type, that occur very close at hand, say within a few hundred feet, or at least close enough so that the witness is able to use his stereoscopic vision and discern considerable detail. These sightings are, so to speak, in the immediate reference frame of the observer -- they are not "someone else's UFO," but very much this observer's UFO, a sort of very personal UFO experience.

I have termed this broad category of UFOs the Close Encounters. There are three obvious kinds of Close Encounters, and it will be helpful to define them separately. Again, the distinction lies in what is observed rather than in any certain fundamental difference.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE FIRST KIND (CE 1)

Here we have a close encounter with a UFO but there is no interaction of the UFO with either the witness or the environment, or at least none that is discernible. The encounter must be close enough, however, so that the UFO is in the observer's own frame of reference and he is able to see details. The chance, therefore, of this sighting being a misidentification of Venus or a conventional aircraft, etc., is quite small, particularly if the sighting is made by several persons.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE SECOND KIND (CE 11)

Here the UFO is observed interacting with the environment and frequently with the witness as well. The interaction can be with inanimate matter, as when holes or rings are made on the ground, or with animate matter, as when animals are affected (sometimes becoming aware of the presence of the UFO even before human witnesses). People too, can be affected, as in the many reported cases of burns, temporary paralysis, nausea, conjunctivitis, etc. But in order for a CE-11 to have taken place, the presence of the UFO must be established at the same spot in which the physical effects are noted. That is, if a burnt ring on the ground is noted, it must be at the exact place where the UFO was sighted hovering, or if an automobile ignition system is interfered with, such interference must have occurred at the time and place of the UFO sighting.

The observed physical effects in these cases (often called "physical trace cases") must not be explainable in some other obvious way. That is, if holes in the ground ("landing marks") are found, these marks must be unique, and not like marks found elsewhere in the vicinity.

Close Encounters of the Second Kind are of particular interest to scientists who can, in a sense, bring the UFO "into the laboratory." Burnt grasses, samples of disturbed soil, etc., can be tested with a view toward determining what caused the burn, what pressures were necessary to produce the imprints on the ground, and to finding what chemical changes occurred in the soil samples by comparing the affected soil with control samples from the vicinity. To this day, no "piece" of an actual UFO has ever been authenticated but the effects of the presence of UFOs have been amply attested to. A catalogue of over eight hundred cases in which the UFO was both seen and left physical traces has been compiled by Mr. Ted Phillips* and the catalogue continues to grow.

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND (CE 111)

Here there is not only a close encounter with the UFO, but with its apparent "occupants" or "UFOonauts." Close Encounters of the Third Kind bring us to grips with the most puzzling aspect of the UFO phenomenon: the apparent presence of intelligence other than our own, intelligence we can recognize but not understand. Hundreds of Close Encounters of the Third Kind have been reported all over the world in the past decades. A catalogue of over one thousand cases has been compiled by Bloecher; it, like other UFO catalogues, continues to grow.

UFOs of other categories seem to demonstrate intelligent action. Certainly this action does not appear to be random, but seems almost programmed or planned. As reported, UFOs buzz airplanes and cars, prefer the lonely hours of the night, usually but by no means exclusively avoid crowds and urban areas, and make singularly "local" appearances rather than moving about a wide area of the country.

In Close Encounters of the Third Kind, where the occupants make their presence known, we find reported creatures who resemble humans but are predominantly shorter and slimmer, capable of communication in their own way and on their own terms. Their interaction with humans has been reported to be largely impersonal, neither overtly friendly nor hostile. There have been instances, reported in all seriousness, of "abductions" of humans, ostensibly for "testing purposes." The details of such abductions have almost always been obtained through regressive hypnosis since it appears that the abduction experience, whatever its physical reality, has proved so traumatic to the witness or witnesses that the conscious memory retains only a mere skeleton of the total experience. The details must generally be obtained from the subconscious.

Clearly, Close Encounters of the Third Kind hold the most fascination for us because they bring into focus most sharply our fear of the unknown, the concept of other intelligence in space, and the possibility of intelligent contact with such beings, with all that such contact might imply for the human race.

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Volume 2, Number 12
March 23, 1997
Editor: Joseph Trainor

ARIZONA REPORTS KEEP
POURING IN

Researchers have been flooded with reports in the wake of last week's big UFO flap in Arizona.

People claiming to have seen glowing orange spheres and triangular UFOs over Phoenix, Tempe, Prescott, Glendale and Tucson the evening of March 13, 1997 number in the thousands.

On Monday, March 17, 1997, Channel 10 in Phoenix aired a videotape of a large cylindrical UFO with 8 lights.

In Tucson, eyewitnesses reported four bright lights coming from the northwest and heading southeast. (See the Prescott, Arizona Daily Courier for March 14, 1997 "UFO Sightings in PV, Other Areas.")

In Glendale (population 96,988), orange globes hovered over a suburban neighborhood for two hours, from 9 p.m. to 11 p.m. People were "looking up at what they said were orange balls of light. They were very scared...In fact, my 80-year-old father-in-law was shouting on the phone at one point. My wife and I did what we could to calm him down and let him know what we had tried to tell him about UFOs over the years," Billy Dee of Wisconsin reported.

On Tuesday, March 18, the Arizona Republic ran a story on the flap. According to reporter Susie Steckner, the "first call came from former police officers who spotted" the UFOs "near Paulden, north of Prescott, in Yavapai County."

"The bright orange-red lights formed the shape of a boomerang...with a larger grouping in the lead, followed by a single light."

Shortly after 8 p.m., calls came flooding in from Prescott, Prescott Valley, Dewey, Chris Valley, Glendale and Phoenix.

"Tim MacDonald, 11, was leaving his Cub Scout meeting in Phoenix when he saw the bizarre object. 'It looked like a Stealth bomber,' he said, 'It was in a triangle shape and had three lights. It was moving very slowly. It was there for two or three minutes...When it disappeared, I thought it was a UFO.'" (See the Arizona Republic for March 18, 1997.)

During its 5 p.m. newcast on March 17, Channel 12 in Phoenix stated that the glowing orange spheres seen

March 13 over the Gila River Indian Reservation south of the city were "military flares." The announcer reportedly said, "The strange lights over Phoenix were explained as an anti-aircraft experiment in a military area 50 miles (80 kilometers) south of Phoenix."

Lt. Col. Mike Hauser, USAF, a spokesman for Luke Air Force Base, told the Arizona Republic: "Everybody is telling us we have UFOs stashed all over the Air Force. I'm not taking issue with what people saw (but) lots of things can make lights."

On Wednesday, March 19, videographer Tom King and a group of ufologists went to the state park at South Mountain, just south of Phoenix, hoping to catch more UFOs on tape. But park rangers ordered the group off the mountain at 9:30 p.m.

"To our surprise, we were hustled out of the park early," King reported. "The park usually closes at 11 p.m. We were told to leave at 9:24. The park rangers were storming up the peak and announced over the loudspeaker, 'The park is closed. Leave now. The park is closed. Leave while you can.'" (Many thanks to Bill Hamilton, Errol Bruce-Knapp, Tom King, Billy Dee and Steve Wilson, Jr. for this story.)

GUNSHIPS CHASE THREE UFOs
OVER WEST VIRGINIA

On Tuesday, March 11, 1997, at 6:30 p.m., which was the second night of the UFO flap in Phoenix, three orange spheres appeared over the south bank of the Kanawha River, in the South Hills section of Charleston, West Virginia.

Patricia J. Blake and her nine-year-old daughter were on Oakwood Road in South Hills when they sighted the objects. "The first light was coming down towards the woods vertically," Mrs. Blake said, "It was very orange and had a long trail behind it. Two other lights of the same description were also coming down, also with tails behind them. The first one was now in the middle and seemed to slow down at one point."

Mrs. Blake said the three UFOs were arrayed like this:

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"Then all three appeared to stay in this position for a few minutes, the larger moving rather slowly to our right. When we first saw them, they were maybe 45 degrees above the horizon (and then) came down to a much lower angle, I would say 25 degrees."

Mrs. Blake estimated that the UFOs hovered over a wooded area south of Route 61 and west of Route 119. "The lights darted to the west, somewhat southwest, hovered at the second site for 8 to 10 minutes," she added. "It was still daylight and the sky was nearly cloudless." The UFOs then sped away.

At 6:45 p.m., four C-130 Air National Guard planes flew across the Kanawha River, heading southwest in the same direction as the orange UFOs. Mrs. Blake said she believes the planes came from Yeager Field airport, northeast of Charleston. (Email Interview)

ORANGE GLOBES REPORTED
OVER QUEBEC AND VERMONT

In addition to Arizona and West Virginia, "orange sphere" UFOs were also seen over Quebec. Since Friday, March 14, the ufological group CEIPI has interviewed 24 eyewitnesses.

Most of the sightings took place over Breckenridge, a small town on the north shore of the Ottawa River near Aylemer (population 25,724), just west of Canada's capital city, Ottawa.

On Friday, March 14, shortly before 8 p.m., a glowing orange light was seen over Breckenridge. Shortly after 8, a man in Gatineau, Quebec (population 73,479) eight miles (12 kilometers) north of Ottawa, saw "a definite orange light."

At 8:45 p.m., another man "saw the same thing but a little more yellow" over the Parc de la Gatineau, along the Ottawa River.

On Saturday, March 15, at 10:15 p.m., a total of 10 eyewitnesses told CEIPI that they saw "an unknown object" hovering close to the ice on the Ottawa River. The UFO had six arrays of white light and appeared in the same place in the Parc de la Gatineau off Route 148 as the previous night.

On Monday, March 17, at 9:50 p.m., another ten witnesses saw "a very brilliant and strong" aerial light glowing behind the mountain at Breckenridge.

According to Jean Casault of CEIPI, the Aylmer police reportedly told his group that the lights were "military flares" being lit on the firing range at CFB Connaught, near Ottawa.

Meanwhile, below the border, radio buff Tony O'Neill switched on his BC860XLT 100-channel 12-band Uniden Bearcat scanner. At 7:20 p.m. on Monday, March 17, he picked up an intriguing exchange between Air Traffic Controllers (ATCs) and six jetliner pilots.

The pilots were talking to the ATCs in Albany, New York and Burlington, Vermont, he said. "One pilot radioed 'A bright light approached us, went vertical and dropped into the horizon.'"

The pilot asked both ATCs to confirm his position, and they did--the jetliner was 30 miles (48 kilometers) east of Burlington or 150 miles (240 kilometers) northeast of Albany. That puts the UFO over the forest area just south of Hardwick, Vermont (population 1,476)

Six pilots discussed the sighting with the towers, O'Neill said, describing the UFO as having "fire coming out of the back and left or made a contrail." Controllers asked the pilots if they would be willing to file a report. Some said yes and were given the phone number of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) center in Nashua, New Hampshire. (Email Interview)

(Many thanks to Jean Casault and Helene Dupont of CEIPI for this report.)

ANOTHER MYSTERY OBJECT SEEN IN FLORIDA KEYS

At 6:30 a.m. on January 24, 1997, Sherry Howell and her husband left Key West to drive back to their home in Florida. As they drove north on Route 1, a thunderstorm crowded the western horizon over the Gulf of Mexico. At 7:30 a.m., just north of Marathon (population 1,500), "we were crossing a bridge when I saw the first one," Sherry reported. "Then I saw what seemed to be a cloud...it developed into an object like the first only much lower on the horizon and much closer to the highway."

While her husband drove, Sherry snapped some photos of both objects. "The (second) object was no more than a half-mile from us. The other was much higher in the sky and so it was more difficult to estimate distance. Both objects were silvery gray."

She estimated that the more distant UFO was "the size of a man's thumbnail at arm's length" while the closer one was "larger than a bus."

"The front of the larger object had a darker gray front," she said, "It reminded me of the front of a microwave (oven). Neither object moved while we were observing them."

Mrs. Howell sent her roll of film to a developer. But the finished photos showed only the dark overcast sky--not the objects. (Email Interview)

FAST FLYBY ON FRANCE'S MEDITERRANEAN SHORE

On Monday, March 17, 1997, at 9:04 a.m., "a bright streak" appeared in the sky over Montpellier, a seaport city on the Mediterranean midway between Nimes and Narbonne. The object was seen by commuters driving to work and by mothers dropping off their children at school. Witnesses described the UFO as "moving very fast from the northeast to the southeast."

The UFOs semi-circular flight path was confirmed by the pilot of an Air France jetliner, who spotted the object at 30,000 feet over Montpellier. "The phenomenon disappeared very quickly." (Many thanks to SOS OVNI for this report.)

UFO ZAPS TEENAGED GIRL IN PUNTA ARENAS, CHILE

On or about February 25, 1997, teenager Maria Amparo Galvez was walking home from school in her hometown of Puerto Arenas, at the southern tip of Chile, when a glowing UFO suddenly appeared.

According to Carlos Munoz, an investigator for Agrupacion de Investigaciones Ovniologicas (AION), Maria ran away and "was hit in the back by many small balls of light--flashes that peppered her back."

Maria remembers nothing else of the strange incident except "waking up at another location four hours later."

On February 24, 1997, an odd "ring-shaped OVNI" (Spanish acronym for UFO) was seen hovering above Lago (Lake) de Rapel in the Andes.

The following day, February 25, 1997, Fuerzas Aereas de Chile's (Chilean Air Force's) crack aerobatics team, Los Halcones, was performing at an air show in Pucon when a UFO slipped into the restricted airspace.

"The object was ring-like," AION reported, "It looked like a ring of smoke but very bright. It turned on its axis and left the area very slowly (about 60 mph), moving east. The object was filmed by two different witnesses, one of them the air traffic controller at Pucon." (Many thanks to Luis Sanchez for this story.)

TWO SAUCERS SIGHTED NEAR AIRPORT IN LIMA, PERU

On Monday, March 17, 1997, at 11 p.m., people living in Boca Negra, a suburban town at the north end of Aeropuerto Internacional Jorge Chavez spotted two disc-shaped UFOs beyond the airport's runway, near the beach. Boca Negra is 20 kilometers (12 miles) north of Lima, the capital of Peru.

According to China's Xinhua news agency, about a dozen witnesses described the UFOs as "saucer-shaped craft...with multicolored lights flashing intermittently." The UFOs hovered for several minutes and then flew away to the northeast. (Many thanks to Erik S. for this story.)

NEW SIGHTING IN NORTHEAST CORNER OF BRAZIL

On February 22, 1997, at 4:58 p.m., Messias de

Oliveira was walking through the Bairro de Nordexte in Aracagi, a town in Brazil's northeastern state of Joao Pessoa. Aracagi is close to Guarabira, which has been the focus of a UFO flap that began on April 4, 1996.

As she walked by the Compostagem bus stop, she saw "an oval-shaped light, extremely bright, rising into the air, giving the appearance of being hidden behind the bus station. It gave off whitish smoke." At first, Messias "thought it was a teardrop shaped fireworks display before realizing it was far stranger than that." She thought, "It's going to fall," but "the object continued to rise noiselessly into the air." She was reportedly "shaken by the experience." (See the Winter 1997 issue of Samizdat. Muito obrigado a Scott Corrales para ese.)

T.A.S.K. AND THE SAUCER OF MADISON COUNTY

On Wednesday, March 12, 1997, at 8 p.m., a huge "flying disc" estimated to be 100 feet (30 meters) in diameter, appeared over Mount Sterling, Ohio (population 1,623), a small town in Madison County 22 miles (35 kilometers) southwest of Columbus.

The saucer was seen by two couples, one at each end of the town. They estimated that it floated 50 feet (15 meters) off the ground and flew from east to west. "It was over the town for four and a half minutes. There was no noise. The departure path was to the west at a very quick speed."

According to investigator Jim Donohue of Equinox, the eyewitnesses included a woman age 35, a girl age 14, a man in his early 70s and another man in his middle 50s.

The same night, at 9:15 p.m., Ron Schaffner of Tri-States Advocates of Scientific Knowledge (T.A.S.K.) received a call from a farmer in Aberdeen (population 1,600), a town on the Ohio River. The man reported "a formation of three to five lights" and the lights "appeared orange or white-red in color. Three lights in a row, then two on top."

The same farm was visited by a similar array of UFO lights the night of October 16, 1996. The UFOs appeared near the zenith of the barn on Flaughner Hill Road in Aberdeen. Three T.A.S.K. members, Kenneth Young, Terry Enders and Dale Farmer, interviewed the farmer back in October. The group's investigation in Aberdeen continues. (Many thanks to Kenneth Young, T.A.S.K. public relations director, for this story.)

>From the UFO Files...

WHERE IS JOAN WILLIAMS?

One of the strangest cases in the annals of the Lake Michigan Triangle took place 32 years ago this week.

"She was Joan Williams, 39, a Chicago Heights (Illinois) schoolteacher who owned a Cessna 170B, N2522C. She left Wings Airport, Chicago, at noon on a Saturday morning, March 20, 1965, carrying fuel sufficient for four hours, 30 minutes. She was not on a flight plan. She has not been seen since."

"For some reason the case stimulated the interest of the Chicago newspapers. It stayed in the headlines for weeks as officials searched vainly for some evidence of what happened. Virtually everyone Miss Williams knew was contacted. Her bank records and personal life were investigated thoroughly on the chance that the disappearance was intentional. The lake (Lake Michigan) was combed for some scrap of wreckage that might solve the mystery."

But the search was in vain. Joan Williams's Cessna vanished from the FAA radar scope while the plane was airborne southwest of Ludington, Michigan. She has not been seen since. (See THE GREAT LAKES TRIANGLE by Jay Gourley, Fawcett Gold Medal Books, 1977, pages 164-165)

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That's it for this week. Look for more saucer news next weekend from..."the paper that goes home, UFO ROUNDUP."

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Re: UFO photo or artist's impression?

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 01:24:07 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 07:37:53 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO photo or artist's impression?

>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: UFO photo or artist's impression?
>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 97 19:14:52 +0000
>From: Ralf Zeigermann <kag15@dial.pipex.com>
>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <updates@globalserve.net>

>>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 13:48:35 +0100
>>To: updates@globalserve.net
>>From: John Joseph Mercieca <mufor@maltanet.net>
>>Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?

>>I've just been sent the attached image that is supposedly a photo
>>of a UFO taken in Florida in February.

>>It looks to me that the "photo" is really an artist's impression
>>of a triangular ufo. I'd be glad if anyone with any graphics
>>knowledge could take a look at it and comment on whether it is
>>really a photo or not.

Ralf writes,

>Hi John,

>the attached jpeg is neither a photograph nor an 'artist's impression'-
>it's something made up in Photoshop with the help of a couple of
>filters and plug-ins ('lens flare'...grin).

>It's not even done good, not even a piece of art...sorry. The more
>I think about it: it's awful. Disgusting. Terrible. Most unfortunate.

>Gee...

>Cheers,
>Ralf

Hiya John & Ralf,

I concur Ralf! Photoshop 4.0 to be precise. Although (as artwork)
I think it's pretty cool! As a 'hoax attempt' it's piss-poor.

John Velez, Happy Mac owner

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    "INTRUDERS FOUNDATION ONLINE"  
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'US Secrecy' article - NY Times

From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 02:12:11 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 08:09:42 -0500
Subject: 'US Secrecy' article - NY Times

The article cited is from the Wednesday March 5, 1997 New York Times National section (sorry I forgot to record the page number when I clipped the article.

Some people seem unconvinced that the government can keep secrets. They need to be better informed, the governments' own Federal Commission on secrecy says the following:

GOVERNMENT IS OVERZEALOUS ON SECRECY, PANEL ADVISES

By R.W. Apple, Jr.

Washington, March 4 - A Federal commission on Government secrecy, only the second in the nation's history, said in its final report today that the Government kept too much too secret for too long and blamed what it termed "a culture of secrecy" for fostering and perpetuation conspiracy theories.

[curiously its only in the last paragraph of the article, just below do we learn what the first commission did.]

The only previous such commission was set up in 1955. It proposed that anyone could be punished for disclosing what the Government had chosen to classify - not just Government officials, but journalists and publishers as well. That amounted to prior restraint of the press, and the idea was dropped. So was a second proposal, which would have extended Government wiretapping authority.

[That first proposal sounds a bit like a British D notice doesn't it?

[In about the fifteen paragraph of the article we find the following:]

At a Capitol Hill news conference this morning, Senator Moynihan not only argued not only argued that conspiracy theorists could be debunked if less material were classified, but also warned that "secrecy can be a source of dangerous ignorance."

He cited the Venona [sp. Verona] project, in which Soviet codes were cracked in the years after World War II, as an example. Neither President Harry S. Truman, Attorney General Tom C. Clark nor Secretary of State Dean G. Acheson was informed of the project or its results, Mr. Moynihan said. Instead, he said, that data were kept in the vault of J. Edgar Hoover, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The Central Intelligence Agency was not informed until 1952.

That gave Hoover tremendous power, and Mr. Moynihan reproduces in the commission's report a letter the Director wrote in 1946 accusing many high officials of being Communists - wrongly, the Senator says - while also identifying rightly, he says - both Alger Hiss and Nathan Silvermaster as spies.

[The President, Attorney General, Secretary of State and CIA were NOT informed.

How's that for compartmentalization! Nowadays we need black budget-special access programs, quasi-governmental agencies, proprietary and private companies to do what the FBI director alone with his vault could accomplish.]

Gary

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Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 00:04:11 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 07:35:36 -0500
Subject: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

At 08:42 PM 3/23/97 -0500, you wrote:
>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 14:55:17 -0500
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>>Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 09:43:13 -0600 (CST)
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Earth Lights or Spacecraft?

>>John Velez wrote,

>Are your cowboy boots hard to clean after walking through
>so much cowpie? <G>

John:

I'll get back to you on Mexico City, but to answer your last question first: My boots are a pair of handmade, \$2000 ostrich-skins. (Hey, they were a Christmas gift, what was I supposed to do?) I watch where I step. On the other hand, they clean up real nice.

>Good luck in your research Dennis. Will I get credit for having
>done all of your homework for you when your analysis or report
>comes out?

If you're idea of "doing my homework for me" consists of copying down some names from an Elders videotape, you could do with a good cowpie scraper yourself <G>.

>University Professor, Dr Carlos Perez

>Sr.Alvarez, Professional cameraman

That's really helpful homework, for example, seeing as how Mexico City only has about 15 million people in it at last count. If anyone wants to find me in the next 30 years, I'll be in Mexico City, going from door to door in sarch of Sr. Alvarez.

And what was that URL for Jaime Maussan's Web site again? You didn't say, John, but if anyone's interested, try:

http://www.maussan.com/videos/vid_002.htm

Six UFO 'documentaries' are for sale here, including "Contacto Desde Las Pleyades," Contact from the Pleiades (that's right, with a Billy Meier "beamship" on the cover), with three more in preparation. No scientific evidence here, in other words, just an opportunity to buy tapes.

>Jaime Maussan is Mike Wallaces mexican counterpart. The host and
>anchorman of Sesenta Minutos, (60 minutes)

To which I can only reply: I hope Mike Wallace and his attorney aren't regular readers of this list, or otherwise there may be a new libel thread in the works. I'm glad to see that Senor Maussan is holding down two jobs, though. Does anybody have a URL for Mike Wallace dot com, the one where he hawks his own video

productions?

>They're not the ones who'll be cryin' when the sightings become too
>frequent for even the media to squelch.

Are we slipping from our martyr into our prophecy mode here,
John? And just how is it that the media have been able to squelch
all these sightings if the anchorman and host of Sesenta Minutos
has somehow managed to sneak out six videos on same? Have
Unsolved Mysteries, Strange Universe, Sightings and a few other
media productions in this country all been taken off the air
while I wasn't looking? Did the government shut down Art Bell
during the lunar eclipse? Is Whitley Strieber's home page still
on the Web? Lock the doors, folks!

BTW, if anyone has a copy of the video by the Elderses that John
is so hopped up about, I'd appreciate a copy (I'll pay for the
cassette) or being able to borrow it. But as said here before,
more money in their pockets I ain't putting. (It's an old Southern
honor sort of thing.)

Tomorrow I fax Jaime (Mike Wallace) Maussan himself. Will he
respond to this intrepid investigator's attempts to get to the
bottom of this mystery? Stay tuned for more updates!

Live from the Lip of the Olmos Basin
The Tonsorial Terror

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Re: John Musgrave?

From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 07:29:11 -0800
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:32:24 -0500
Subject: Re: John Musgrave?

> From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: John Musgrave?
> To: updates@globalserve.net (UFO UpDates - Toronto)
> Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 18:07:46 -0600 (CST)

> > Date: Sat, 22 Mar 1997 20:36:35 -0500 (EST)
> > From: "Joe Daniels (UFO JOE)" <ufojoe@cron-2.mco.on.ca>
> > To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> > cc: updates@globalserve.net
> > Subject: Re: John Musgrave

Hi Chris,

One slight correction to your post.

> > Could anyone be so kind as to let me know where I can find some information
> > on John Musgrave, the gentleman that the Canadian Council sponsored to do
> > UFO research.

> Yes. John is in BC now, out of mainstream ufology. He had managed to
> copy most of the APRO files before the Lorenzen's passed away.

John managed to copy the Canadian portions of the APRO files. I truly wish that he had copied the whole APRO files, but this was not the case. Coral Lorenzen offered to turn APRO over to John and make him the director. John really did not believe she was serious at the time. However, on reflection he said that he now sees that she was. John slept on a cot at APRO and made copies all day and into the night. He was absolutely meticulous; getting every last Canadian item. Add this to his investigations and his intellect, and I can see why Coral was impressed.

He repeated the same work at NICAP, MUFON, CUFOS, some of the Canadian organizations. Many individuals gave him access to their files. The money from the Canadian Council did not cover his expenses for his travel, lodging, meals, copying, and investigations but to hear the newspapers tell it John broke the Canadian treasury.

Copies of a good portion of John's Canadian collection (17th Century through 1968) are now in the hands of the Center for UFO Studies.

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Pine Gap?

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 01:47:09 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:36:02 -0500
Subject: Pine Gap?

Sun, 23 Mar 1997 18:59:47 -0800 (PST)
Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 18:59:47 -0800 (PST)
From: " Robert O'Sullivan" <ufology@hotmail.com>
To: el51@dial.pipex.com
Subject: Pine Gap

Could you please send me any information you may have on Pine Gap, the base in Australia known commonly as Area 51. Most people I talk to are reluctant to talk about Pine Gap that's why I'm looking to you for any information. I'm an Australian independent ufologist and my main point of research is Pine Gap. Please reply ASAP.

Robert O'Sullivan
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Re: UFO photo or artist's impression?

From: **Karel Bagchus** <karel@worldonline.nl>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 10:14:35 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:29:31 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO photo or artist's impression?

At 11:44 AM 3/23/97 -0500, you wrote:

>From: John Joseph Mercieca <mufor@maltanet.net>
>Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?
>I've just been sent the attached image that is supposedly a photo
>of a UFO taken in Florida in February.

Hi,

My idea is that it's done with Lightwave 3d. I don't think that with any camera you would get such nice lens effects.

Nice artwork though.

Best regards,

Karel

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1997 BUFORA Conference

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 03:05:17 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:37:53 -0500
Subject: 1997 BUFORA Conference

The annual BUFORA Conference will take place over the weekend of August=20
16th & 17th, 1997. The location will once again be the Penninie Theatre,=20
Hallam University, Sheffield, South Yorkshire.

This two-day event will have a host of speakers the provisional line-up=20
of which is:

Debbie Jordan (USA), Don Ecker (USA), Vicki Cooper-Ecker (USA), Peter=20
Robbins aand Larry Warren (USA), Alan Alford (UK), Nick Redfern (UK),=20
Derek Sheffield (UK), David Percy (UK). Speakers line-up subject to=20
change.

For full information on this years BUFORA Conference you can write to=20
BUFORA at: British UFO Research Association, BM BUFORA, London, WC1N 3XX.
Ticket ordering by phone on: 01484 721 993 or e-mail:=20
101322.751@compuserve.COM

Ticket prices are =A315.00 per day or =A325.00 for the two days. All cheques=
=20
should be made payable to BUFORA ltd when ordering tickets.

Philip Mantle.
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'What is remote viewing and what is it not?'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:41:29 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:41:29 -0500
Subject: 'What is remote viewing and what is it not?'

'Magical Blend' Magazine, the Online version
of Issue #52, has an article on remote viewing
at:

<http://www.magicalblend.com/MBtoc.htm>

titled:

Remote Viewing
Joseph McMoneagle interviewed by Jerry Snider

sub-titled:

'What is remote viewing and what is it not?'

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UFO photo or artist's impression?

From: **James A Diss** <76710.234@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 23 Mar 97 21:28:48 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:38:50 -0500
Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?

>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 13:48:35 +0100
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: John Joseph Mercieca <mufor@maltanet.net>
>Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?

Wotcha, and I am checking the formatting this time.

>It looks to me that the "photo" is really an artist's impression
>of a triangular ufo. I'd be glad if anyone with any graphics
>knowledge could take a look at it and comment on whether it is
>really a photo or not.

Artists impression, with a massively overused Photoshop 'Lens flare' plugin applied all over the shop. I would have gone for something more subtle and understated, such as a lot of glare and a bit of gaussian blur. Perhaps a decent night sky, just visible behind it.

JaMeS a DISS,

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Re: Object seen 2 years ago over Idaho

From: dan syes <dsyes@micron.net>
Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 07:50:45 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 10:03:15 -0500
Subject: Re: Object seen 2 years ago over Idaho

> Date: Thu, 20 Mar 1997 08:37:24 -0600
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: joel henry <jhenry@wavefront.com>
> Subject: Object seen 2 years ago over idaho

> I am webmaster of the Minnesota MUFON UFO Web Page as well as a
> MUFON Field Investigator and I recieved the message below
> regarding a UFO over Idaho 2 years ago. Anyone out there have
> info on this?

> Message as follows:

> >I live in payette idaho i stumbled upon your web page. I am
> >wondereing if you know of a bright light that was spotted by
> >many people in the area from Ontario, Oregon to Boise Idaho
> >down into Nevada and not on a straight line of transfer. Boise
> >state university stated there sysmographic telescope recorded
> >a sound similar to the space shuttle on reentry. This took place
> >a couple of years back. Wondering if you had any more info or
> >could direct me to some.
> >Thanks

> I can be reached at jhenry@wavefront.com
> Joel Henry

Looks like your in luck....I clipped the Statesman newspaper article on it. The incident occurred on the 29 of Aug 95. I'd type it up, but it is several pages long. Joel, drop me a direct email with your address and I'll send you a copy. Or, next time you plan on driving over to Boise, let me know. According to the article, several lights were seen during the incident. The article goes on to to talk about another incident that occurred on 10 Feb 94 over Fairfield, Id. that consisted of a loud boom and lights(I remember that one on the news, and believe it was the one the tripped the sysmographs). During that incident, some people were speculating that it was a nuclear aircraft from INEL(Idaho Nuclear Engr. Lab.).

Dan [Sayers]

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'Saucer Smear', March 20, 1997 - excerpts

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 10:15:10 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 10:15:10 -0500
Subject: 'Saucer Smear', March 20, 1997 - excerpts

Excerpts From: The March 20, 1997 issue of
'Saucer Smear' at:

<http://www.mcs.com/~kvg/smear/v44/ss970320.htm>

As mentioned previously, your "Smear" editor is in the process of writing a major UFO book together with noted Roswell expert Karl Pflock. There will also be cartoons by ace "Smear" cartoonist Matt Graeber. A contract has been signed, and work proceeds. The tentative title of the book is "Shockingly Close to the Truth", and we hope for publication before the end of the year, as this is The Year of the Saucer!

MISCELLANEOUS RAVINGS

UFO researcher Robert Todd has published a series of seven rather technical tracts, mostly on the subject of the Roswell Incident and MJ-12. His tracts are usually mailed out together with Barry Greenwood's "Just Cause", which has a relatively small circulation in the UFO Field. Because of this, and because of Todd's deliberately abrasive personality, and because Roswell/MJ-12 Believers do not want to publicize anything contradicting their views, the Todd tracts have never received the attention they deserve.

Todd's latest effort is called "The Spot Report: Bill Moore and the Roswell Incident: The True Believers Deceived". It pertains to 3 fake government documents from the 1947 era which have been publicized by the Fund for UFO Research (FUFOR) and by Bill Moore, who is suspected of being the forger. They are also endorsed by Stanton Friedman, who is suspected of being a dupe. The story is extremely detailed and complex, - thus beyond the humble scope of "Smear". We strongly urge our readers to send to Robert Todd for this and the earlier tracts in his series. The price on #7 is \$2.50. Robert Todd can be reached at: 2528 Belmont Ave., Ardmore, Pa. 19003-2617....

We have come upon an interesting tidbit concerning Stanton Friedman's current UFO book "TOP SECRET/MAJIC". In it he talks about an alleged MJ-12 Operations Manual, called "Extraterrestrial Entities and Technology Recovery and Disposal". Therein reference is made to Area 51 in Nevada, which did not exist until about 1960 - whereas the Manual was supposedly written in 1954. We therefore ask: Did the military people who wrote the Manual have some uncanny ability to look accurately into the future? Remote Viewing, maybe????...

DAVID HUGGINS
The Opening [Picture]

An opening would appear in the room and they would come through it. I would be paralyzed by the insect-like beings and engaged sexually by the female. They would leave the same way through the opening in the room.

Ufological contactee/artist David Huggins of Hoboken, New Jersey, will be exhibiting his wares in a series of art showings in New York and California during the next several months. Above is a black & white rendition of one of his latest works. Inquiries about these paintings should be sent to Aarne Anton, American Primitive Gallery, 594 Broadway, #205, New York, N.Y. 10012 ...

In 1994, Kent Jeffrey was the author of "The Roswell Declaration", which was a petition attempting to induce the government to admit that the Roswell Incident was of extraterrestrial origin. Now, rumor has it that Jeffrey has "recanted", and no longer believes in the premise of his own declaration. We wish we had more details about this, but they will shortly appear either in the MUFON Journal or in Phil Klass' SUN Newsletter, or both ...

Dr. Steven Greer of CSETI (Center for the Study of Extraterrestrial Intelligence) continues to rave about the fact that, not having heard anything back from his many letters to various government officials & agencies, he is going ahead with his plan to have a conclave of knowledgeable UFO witnesses who will testify in public about their experiences. This will be "in the early Spring of 1997". These people - unnamed - are free to violate their security oaths or anything else, as far as Greer is concerned. Sounds interesting. ...

We hear that James Randi and other magicians are currently horrified and enraged because a magician named Herbert Becker is going on talk shows to expose the secrets of their professional magic tricks! This apparently is in revenge for magicians' refusal to believe in the psychic or take it seriously!

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Hubble's Sharpest Views of Mars Available

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Subject: Hubble's Sharpest Views of Mars Available

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(Phone: 202/358-1547) March 24, 1997

Tammy Jones
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NOTE TO EDITORS: N97-22

HUBBLE'S SHARPEST VIEWS OF MARS AVAILABLE

New, sharpest-ever views of the planet Mars taken by the Wide Field Planetary Camera-2 (WFPC2) aboard NASA's Hubble Space Telescope on March 10, 1997 (following the successful STS-82 Hubble second servicing mission), clearly show clouds, polar caps and other bright and dark markings known to astronomers for more than a century. The images were taken just before Mars opposition -- when the red planet comes closest to the Earth this year (about 60 million miles or 100 million km). Each picture element (pixel) in WFPC2's Planetary Camera's image spans 13 miles (22 km) on the Martian surface.

These images show the planet during the transition between spring and summer in the northern hemisphere (summer solstice). The annual north-polar, carbon-dioxide frost (dry ice) cap is rapidly subliming, revealing the much smaller permanent water-ice cap, along with a few nearby detached regions of surface frost.

Hubble is being used to monitor dust storm activity to support the Mars Pathfinder and Mars Global Surveyor Orbiter Missions, which are currently en route to Mars. Hubble's "weather report" from these images, is invaluable for Mars Pathfinder, which is scheduled for a July 4 landing. These images show no evidence for large-scale dust storm activity, which plagued a previous Mars mission in the early 1970s.

Images are available to news media representatives by calling 202/358-1900. photo numbers are:

Color: Syrtis Major 97-HC-136 Mars at Opposition 97-HC-137

Image files are also available on the Internet on GIF and JPEG formats via anonymous ftp from [oposite.stsci.edu](ftp://oposite.stsci.edu/pubinfo) in /pubinfo

	GIF	JPEG
Syrtis Major	gif/marssm97.gif	jpeg/marssm97.jpg
Mars at Opposition	gif/marssm97.gif	jpeg/marssm97.jpg

Higher resolution digital versions (300 dpi JPEG) of the image are available in /pubinfo/hrtemp: 97- 09a.jpg (color) and 97-09abw.jpg (black and white).

GIF and JPEG images, captions and information are available via World Wide Web at:

<http://www.stsci.edu/pubinfo/PR/97/09.html> and via links in:
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'Future Fantastic' - Website

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Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 11:00:15 -0500
Subject: 'Future Fantastic' - Website

We watched and recorded an episode of 'Future Fantastic', narrated by Gillian 'Scully' Anderson on the Canadian Discovery Channel on Saturday night.

Sue, on vacation this past week, has become a certified-surfer winning her diploma with the following URL:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/tw/future.html>

It's on the BBC's site and contains much useful imagery, information and Links, from and relating to each episode of 'Future Fantastic'.

Happy surfing,

ebk

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Re: John Musgrave?

From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@cc.UManitoba.CA>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 09:49:07 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 11:13:48 -0500
Subject: Re: John Musgrave?

> Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 07:29:11 -0800
> From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: John Musgrave?

> Hi Chris,
> One slight correction to your post.

> > Yes. John is in BC now, out of mainstream ufology. He had managed to
> > copy most of the APRO files before the Lorenzen's passed away.

> John managed to copy the Canadian portions of the APRO
> files. I truly wish that he had copied the whole APRO
> files, but this was not the case. Coral Lorenzen offered
> to turn APRO over to John and make him the director.

Yes, I had meant the Canadian cases. Since UFOJoe is Canadian,
I thought that was specific. However, I will note that John did
manage to copy some non-Canadian stuff, too.

> was. John slept on a cot at APRO and made copies all day
> and into the night. He was absolutely meticulous;

Yes. He told me that story. :) Now *there* was a dedicated ufologist
whom others should pattern themselves after. :)

> access to their files. The money from the Canadian
> Council did not cover his expenses for his travel,
> lodging, meals, copying, and investigations but to
> hear the newspapers tell it John broke the Canadian
> treasury.

Yes, it was only a few grand, and at the time he was awarded it, the
Canada Council was awarding grants of much more money to "the arts" -
including one dance troupe which painted themselves various colours and
(as the story goes) literally hopped up and down the steps of
government buildings.

Now, I'm sure that some skeptics might have found the dance troupe's
efforts less silly than UFO-related efforts, but

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The Phoenix 'Lights'

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
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Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 11:20:36 -0500
Subject: The Phoenix 'Lights'

THE PHOENIX LIGHTS

We assembled first-hand eyewitnesses to the Phoenix lights and those who had taken home video (about 5 of them) and did interviews with Strange Universe for airing in the next week or two. I also did a segment with them on Black Helicopters.

The meeting of all the witnesses together, some for the first time, was remarkable. The night before, we aired a one-hour radio show on the sightings with guest Peter Davenport of the National UFO Reporting Center. We have heard from a growing list of witnesses. The witnesses we were able to assemble at Village Labs in Tempe was only a mere fraction of the witnesses to this remarkable series of UFO sightings on March 13th (as well as some reported before and after that date). All these witnesses were remarkably consistent in their descriptions and easily recognized the testimony of other witnesses. Several video tapes showed the same event from different perspectives through the Valley of the Sun (which includes the cities of Phoenix, Glendale, Tempe, and many others).

On March 13th witnesses called in from Paulden, Prescott, Prescott Valley, Dewey, Glendale, Phoenix, Tempe, Casa Grande, and Tucson just to name a few of the areas this formation of lights passed over. Sometimes the formation (or huge object) traveled at "blimp" speed or hovered and at other times must have been dashing through the sky to make its next destination. Golden glowing orbs were seen throughout the south valley after the passage of the formation. These were also videotaped by several witnesses including Tom King and myself.

We have also since learned that a formation was seen over Las Vegas about 20 minutes before the Paulden sightings. At the same time a man living in Bear Valley near Victorville, California reported seeing a formation of yellow and white lights as large as a baseball diamond on the night of the 13th! Several orbs have been seen in that area including ones that drifted up to join a big hovering light in the sky over the desert west of Apple Valley. Orbs seen close up within 20 feet around Cave Creek appear to be the size of a basketball and float 5 feet off the ground. These orbs will arrange themselves in geometrical configurations. They have also been seen hovering around the secret Lockheed, Northrop, and Douglas electromagnetic test ranges in the Antelope and Apple Valleys of California. They have been seen hovering near the Palos Verde Nuclear Power Generating Station in Arizona (about 50 miles west of Phoenix) and videotape by Scott Montgomery.

We expect a crowd at this coming Wednesday's MUFON meeting at the National Guard Armory near Papago Park in Phoenix. Tom and I feel that the whole meeting will shift to discussing these sightings and obtaining new reports.

On March 19th, a witness observed a flaming glowing ball of light traverse over Camelback Mountain in Phoenix. On March 22nd, other witnesses reported the V-formation of lights in Tucson. On the evening of March 22nd, a neighbor interrupted my phone

conversation to report that a blue-red-white light was jumping all over the eastern sky below the position of the moon. We ran out with binoculars and videocams only to see it dance away and leaving us with a good view of the planet Mars!

We are going to dig deeper into this dramatic series of events and contact the FAA and see if we cannot obtain pilot reports and any other significant record. Luke AFB spokespersons have been telling people that they did not receive any calls the night of the 13th yet some of the calls Peter Davenport received were from people who obtained his UFO hotline number from calling a desk at Luke! Also, South Mountain Park rangers are closing the park at early summer hours and this started the night of the 13th! The park affords an excellent view of the Valley in all directions.

We will bring you more news as it occurs and we have had time to assimilate it. I would like to thank Tom Taylor (MUFON State Director) and Richard Motzer (MUFON field investigator) for helping with the investigation and staying on top of this event as well as Jim Diletto for making his Lab available and Tom King, the UFO video hunter.

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton
Assistant State Director
MUFON AZ
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'Real' Roswell Alien Evidence?

From: **Andrew Cooke** <AC3@datcon.co.uk>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 11:35:04 -0500
Subject: 'Real' Roswell Alien Evidence?

Does anybody have any information on the "Real" Roswell alien featured on CNI News web-site.

The URL is

http://www.cninews.com/CNI_FTDalien.html

This was apparently obtained in September 1995 and I was wondering if anybody had any more information into this study, in particular with regards to the mandible.

-thanks

>AndyC

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NASA Selects MicroCraft, Inc. to Fabricate

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NASA SELECTS MICROCRAFT, INC. TEAM
TO FABRICATE HYPERSONIC VEHICLES

NASA has selected a team led by MicroCraft, Inc., Tullahoma, TN, to fabricate a series of small, unpiloted experimental vehicles that will fly up to ten times the speed of sound. The five-year project, known as Hyper-X, will demonstrate hypersonic propulsion technologies.

When the Hyper-X flies, it will be the first time a non-rocket engine has powered a vehicle in flight at hypersonic speeds -- speeds above Mach 5, equivalent to about one mile per second or approximately 3,600 miles per hour at sea level. A booster rocket will carry each experimental vehicle to its flight-test speed and altitude, where it will be launched to fly under its own power.

The cost-plus-incentive fee contract is worth an estimated \$33.4 million over the next 55 months. It specifies that the first of four Hyper-X vehicles is to be delivered in time for the first scheduled flight early in fiscal year 1999.

Team members working with MicroCraft will be Boeing North American, Inc., Seal Beach, CA; GASL, Inc., Ronkonkoma, NY; and Accurate Automation Corp., Chattanooga, TN.

The Hyper-X project is conducted jointly by the Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA, and the Dryden Flight Research Center, Edwards, CA. Langley will manage the overall project while Dryden will conduct the flight tests.

"We're embarking on an ambitious series of Hyper-X flights to expand the boundaries of aeronautics and develop new technologies for space access," said Daniel S. Goldin, NASA Administrator. "Most impressively, these flights will begin less than two years from now. Under old ways of doing business it might have taken ten years to reach flight tests."

MicroCraft will be responsible for fabrication and flight-test support. This will include not only the four research vehicles but also one research vehicle-to-booster adapter for mating of the research vehicles to the nose of an expendable

booster rocket. Each vehicle will be approximately 12 feet long with a wing span of about five feet.

"We are ready to prove this technology -- to be the first to fly an air-breathing vehicle at hypersonic speeds," said NASA Langley's Vince Rausch, the Hyper-X project manager.

Program managers plan to demonstrate hydrogen-powered, "air-breathing" propulsion systems that could ultimately be applied in vehicle types ranging from hypersonic aircraft to reusable space launchers.

A rocket carries its own oxygen for combustion. An air-breathing vehicle, the experimental Hyper-X, will burn oxygen in the air scooped from the atmosphere. Because of this, air-breathing hypersonic vehicles should carry more payload and/or offer longer range than equivalent rocket-powered systems.

Four flights are planned -- one each at Mach 5 and 7 and two at Mach 10. The Mach 7 flight comes first. The flight tests will be conducted within the Western Test Range off the coast of southern California.

Each Hyper-X vehicle will ride on the first stage of an Orbital Sciences Corp., Dulles, VA, booster rocket, which will be launched by the Dryden B-52. For each flight, the booster will accelerate the Hyper-X research vehicle to the test conditions (Mach 5, 7 or 10) at approximately 100,000 feet. There, it will separate from the booster and fly under its own power and preprogrammed control.

Ground tests and analyses of both vehicle and engine will be performed prior to each flight in order to compare flight and ground-test results. In addition, the Hyper-X Mach 7 and 5 vehicles will be tested prior to flight in Langley's 8-Foot High Temperature Wind Tunnel. The vehicles, with a fully operating ramjet/scramjet propulsion system, will be put through tests in the tunnel simulating many, but not all, Mach 7 and 5 flight conditions.

A ramjet operates by subsonic combustion of fuel in a stream of air compressed by the forward speed of the vehicle itself. In a conventional jet engine, the compressor section (the fan blades) compresses the air.

A scramjet (supersonic-combustion ramjet) is a ramjet engine in which the airflow through the whole engine remains supersonic. Scramjet technology is challenging because only limited testing can be performed in ground facilities. Hyper-X takes the next essential step in developing hypersonic, air-breathing technology.

Images of the Hyper-X vehicles and additional information can be obtained at the following URLs:

<http://lisar.larc.nasa.gov/LISAR/BROWSE/hyperx.html>

or

<http://oea.larc.nasa.gov/>

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Indianapolis Star on Defamation Campaign

From: Pat Parrinello <pparri@republic.net>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 08:35:11 -0500
Subject: Indianapolis Star on Defamation Campaign

This is posted to the List for the benefit of the 'old-timers' in ufology and computer communications. Those of you who don't recognise the name 'Linda Thompson' should do a search on the name on your favourite web-search engine.

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Sent: 03/23 10:50 PM
Received: 03/24 1:06 PM
From: Jon Roland, jon.roland@the-spa.com
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Public servants are forbidden by law to use public resources for private, political, or illegal purposes, but we find more and more that entire agencies are engaged in political manipulation, putting out disinformation on critics, dissenters, reformers, witnesses, and investigators. Such defamation campaigns find their way into the major news media, where they are too often passed on without any editorial supervision by recipients. The Associated Press in particular has developed a reputation as a disinformation channel, as are most reporters who depend on unnamed government sources.

It is time for editors everywhere to learn to recognize such disinformation and reject it, as their readers are learning to do.

--Jon Roland
916/568-1022

The following article from the Indianapolis Star is a fresh breeze.

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Indianapolis Star
Page A-12
Saturday, March 22, 1997
Bureaucrat Sponsored Defamation
by James Patterson

Allen Taylor of Indianapolis is employed as a communications technician with the U.S. Customs Office of Information and Technology Services.

He and his supervisors at the U.S. Customs are charged in an \$8 million civil lawsuit with terrorizing an Indianapolis attorney, her family and six other adults who were her acquaintances.

The suit alleges Taylor as a government agent used his computer bulletin board service, called "Computer virus Resource Center," and the Internet to harass, intimidate, emotionally distress, libel, slander and destroy the reputations of attorney Linda Thompson, her husband Al, their political organization, The American Justice Federation, and its news service, Associated Electronic Network (AEN).

Linda Thompson is well known for her interpretation of the Constitution as it relates to her advocacy of the "Patriot" movement, citizen militias and the like.

She has been arrested at least twice in Indianapolis, once at a bus stop

rally where touring Democrats were touting President Clinton's ill-fated national health care plan, and another time by an intake clerk at the Indianapolis City-County Building who demanded to know if she had a gun.

All charges were thrown out.

Court documents allege that beginning in November '94, "Taylor wrote hundreds of messages, denouncing the Plaintiffs for the 'racist Anti-American, Anti-Constitutional, Anti-Family, Anti-Government, Anti-Christian, Anti-Semitic neo-Nazi militia views. "The sheer volume, intensity, and ferocity of Taylor's postings themselves, indicated that Taylor was obsessed and spent a majority of his time doing nothing but writing denouncements, particularly of Linda Thompson."

SPECIAL FORCES.

Taylor's resume and other messages were also posted under his log indicating that he was formerly in "special forces" with "combat experience."

In February '95, the Thompsons filed a tort claim notice with the federal government citing Taylor's alleged activities. Included were copies of 150 derogatory computer messages about them which Taylor had broadcast worldwide on various computer networks in the preceding December and January.

COMPUTER COPIES.

After a year, Customs Assistant Commissioner William F. Riley wrote the Thompsons: "the alleged activity is clearly outside the scope of Taylor's employment" and was done during off-duty hours.

But the plaintiffs submitted to the court scores of computer messages from Taylor indicating the documents were posted during his normal working hours, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

TAYLOR AGREES.

The feds deny it. But Taylor sides with the plaintiffs on this point.

In a Feb. 27, 1997, memorandum to Edward F. Kwas, assistant commissioner at Customs' Office of Information and Technology, Taylor pleads: "You have in your possession information, including but not limited to, signed statements from workers that the U.S. Customs Service was aware of and encouraged my activities related directly or indirectly to the charges as described and contained in the aforementioned causes.

"The Customs Service has initiated and received reports from Internal Affairs investigations wherein they allege that the incidents referenced in the above causes appear to have originated on government-owned computers.

"I respectfully request that the scope of employment determination take these facts into consideration and require the U.S. Customs Service and U.S. Attorney's Office to represent me in all matters and jurisdictions . . . "

The government apparently wants Taylor to take the fall, but he is having none of it.

How quickly bureaucrats forget that their power comes from the people, not vice versa.

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Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

From: **glennys mackay** <glenmack@thehub.com.au>
Date: Thu, 01 Jan 1970 10:00:00 +1000
Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 09:35:24 -0500
Subject: Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 00:36:15 -0500
>From: Jennifer Jarvis <jarvis@globalserve.net>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Orange orbs over Lake Ontario

>Report of anomalous lights, Saturday, March 22nd, 1997.

Report from MUFON Qld, Australia.

Thought you would be interested in knowing that there have been sightings of large orange and silver spheres of light by a large number of people from Mt. Isa, through to Rockhampton, Northern New South Wales and Brisbane

I was with three other people on the evening of 17th October, 1996 and witnessed a silver sphere over the sea just off the coast line at Caloundra, one and a half hours drive from Brisbane, at approximately 6.50pm

This sphere was stationery for approximately 2-3 minutes before dropping at great speed into the ocean, only to appear several minutes later and fly up into the sky behind clouds - as we watched it would seem that several bright lights lit up the clouds as it moved through them. At around 7.10 it dissappeared.

At Mt. Syliva, west of Brisbane farmers have reported orange balls of light both late at night and early morning, as day was breaking.

Reports have come in from Ipswich which is close to the Amberly Airforce Base. There have also been reported sightings of a number of strange lights witnessed in the past three weeks.

A Security guard while on late-evening duty, was stopped at traffic lights in Ipswich city. His attention was drawn to an unusual glow to his right on looking north was astounded at this very large object which seemed to be going very slowly. He claims it was emitting an orange glow. As the red light changed he was obliged to move and lost sight of the object which had gone behind some high buildings. This was around the 19th February of this year.

Glennys Mackay

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Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

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What is not visible to unaided eyes on Earth is Hale-Bopp's icy heart, a 25-mile- (40.23 km) wide core more than 10 times the size of the average comet and four times the size of the storied Halley's Comet.

Unlike Hyakutake, a much smaller, dimmer comet that gave a great show because it came within 9 million miles (14.48 million km) of Earth, Hale-Bopp will not get any closer than 122 million miles (196.3 million km) at its closest pass, on March 23-24.

Hale-Bopp -- the name comes from its discoverers, Alan Hale and Thomas Bopp, who first spotted it in 1995 -- has the potential to give clues to the earliest moments of the solar system, Feldman said by telephone.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration is launching a series of so-called sounding rockets that will rise above Earth's atmosphere to gauge the composition of the comet and then parachute back down, Feldman said.

It could help confirm what many scientists already believe: that water on Earth came from comets that hit Earth's surface. The comets' frozen core melted to form oceans, according to the theory.

If the rocket data show the same trace elements present in the world's oceans are also present in Hale-Bopp, this could go a long way toward proving the theory, Mumma said by telephone.

Earth-based telescopes can get some great views of Hale-Bopp, but the Hubble Space Telescope will not. The comet's path brings it too close to the Sun and Hubble's mechanisms are not equipped to ``look'' directly into the Sun.

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Source: The Times newspaper
Date: 9th March 1997

Comet promises a cosmic festival of light

by Steve Connor
Science Correspondent

AFTER 4,000 years, the world's night sky is about to be lit up by the return of the comet Hale-Bopp, a 25-mile-wide cosmic snowball of ice and dust.

>From today the comet, which is travelling at almost 100,000mph, will start to reward hopes that it will be one of the most spectacular sights in the night sky, growing from a smudge of light to the most noticeable object among the stars.

Hale-Bopp, the brightest comet to enter the solar system for more than 400 years, will come closest to Earth on March 22, at a distance of 125m miles away. The last time it was visible from Earth was around the time of the ancient Egyptians about 2,000BC.

As it flies past the Sun, the heat causes the frozen surface of the comet's nucleus to vaporise, leaving a trail of gas and dust particles that can form a tail many millions of miles long. This is lit up by reflected sunlight.

Scientists believe that comets such as Hale-Bopp are "builders' rubble" left over from the birth of the solar system more than 4.5 billion years ago and that they were responsible for delivering water to planets like Earth.

Dr Michael Mumma, a comet expert at America's National Aeronautics and Space Administration near Washington, said a third of the comet was made of ice: "It would make a very good sized lake or ocean."

By studying the light spectra of the comet, scientists can determine its chemical composition. This will help them to understand how the planets formed from the condensation of a massive cloud of primordial dust particles that existed at this time.

A number of new chemicals have been detected on Hale-Bopp , including alcohol and some of the organic constituents of living organisms.

Two American astronomers, Alan Hale and Thomas Bopp, discovered the comet in 1995, independently but within minutes of each other.

Its sudden appearance in the sky raises the prospect that other comets could come closer to Earth and even threaten to collide with it, causing catastrophic damage. This was graphically illustrated in 1995, when comet Shoemaker-Levy slammed into Jupiter, causing ground tremors that were witnessed from Earth.

"What has been new over the past five years is the regularity of discovering Earth-approaching objects," said Mumma.

Dr Alan Fitzsimmons, an astronomer at Queen's University, Belfast, said comet Hale-Bopp should become one of the best-studied comets:

"The important aspect of this comet is that it has been the brightest predictable object, and so we've had time to get ready and prepared to observe it in detail.

"It will be one of the most spectacular comets of our lifetime, but then we don't know when the next one will appear."

Early morning would be the best time to see the comet as it glowed low on the horizon in the northeast sky, he said. "I'm betting there won't be many telescopes on Earth that won't be trained on this comet. It is just going to get bigger and brighter. Anyone looking out will be able to see it."

Although Hale-Bopp will become the most closely studied comet to date, it was the return of Halley's comet in 1985 that stirred some of the greatest scientific interest in these cosmic objects, not least because it was met by a spaceprobe that managed to take close-up pictures.

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Source: The Times newspaper
Date: 12th March 1997

Tail of the century

BY NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

COMET Hale-Bopp is providing a brilliant show as one of the best comets of the 20th century, clearly visible round the world in the morning and evening skies.

Terry Platt, an amateur astronomer from Binfield near Bracknell in Berkshire, took this photograph of the comet at 4am yesterday from his garden. He says that it is easily visible with the naked eye, and comparable in brightness with the brightest stars.

He used a telephoto lens, picking his moment between wisps of early-morning fog. Amateur astronomers are a hardy bunch; he had been up at 1am observing Mars, then managed to get three hours' sleep before rising again to photograph Hale-Bopp.

It is not necessary to head for the hills to observe the comet. One American astronomer, Paul Feldman, of Johns Hopkins University, assures would-be watchers that he had no difficulty seeing the comet from a well-lit supermarket car park, even after sunrise.

Astronomers both amateur and professional will spend much of the next two months watching the comet, named after the two American astronomers who first identified it in 1995. It is expected to go on getting brighter for a further two weeks as it gets closer to the Sun.

Hale-Bopp is already brighter than Comet Hyakutake, which crossed the sky a year ago, according to the magazine Sky & Telescope. This comet's tail takes up 20 degrees of the sky, about twice the size of a human fist held at arm's length and viewed against the heavens.

Nasa, the space agency, is using Hale-Bopp's passage to put to the test a theory about the origins of the Earth's oceans. It will be launching sounding rockets that will rise above the atmosphere to measure the composition of cloud around the comet. The theory is that water on the Earth came from comets that hit the Earth's surface fairly early in its history. Comets consist largely of ice.

The rocket observations of the amounts of trace elements in the comet will be compared with the amounts of the same elements in the oceans. If they are the same, they will provide support for the theory.

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Source: Associated Press
Date: 13th March 1997

Mars life theory gets a boost

By PAUL RECER

WASHINGTON (March 13) - A theory that microbes once lived on Mars is boosted by two new studies of a rock that was blasted away from the red planet and eventually landed on Earth.

Researchers at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, and at the California Institute of Technology said the new studies do not prove that Martian microbes once lived in the rock. But they remove one challenge based on the temperature history of the potato-size chunk of Mars.

'We have ruled out the high temperature hypothesis' that would have made life impossible, said John W. Valley of the University of Wisconsin. 'I still don't have final answers. There should still be skepticism.'

Wisconsin scientists determined the range of temperatures the rock was exposed to by analyzing the ratios of carbon and oxygen isotopes. At Cal Tech, researchers traced the temperature history by measuring magnetic fields within the rock. Both studies will be published Friday in the journal Science.

NASA scientists last summer claimed that small globules of carbonate found inside a Martian meteorite were the fossilized remains of microbes or bacteria that lived on the red planet more than 15 million years ago.

Based on a microscopic and chemical analysis of the globules, the NASA team theorized that the microbes lived and died in the rock, leaving behind organic chemicals and fossilized remains. The rock was then blasted from the Mars surface by a meteorite impact, spent thousands of years wandering in space and then fell to Earth in the Antarctic. The rock was recovered from an ice field and identified by chemical composition as coming from Mars.

A major challenge to the theory has been that the carbonate globules actually formed by inorganic processes at temperatures of more than 1,200 degrees, far too hot for life.

But the new studies show that temperatures of the globules never exceeded 212 degrees - scalding, but still within the living range of known life forms.

'Our work shows that there are no show stopper lines of evidence in the temperature,' said Valley. There are other reasons to be skeptical, however, he said, 'and it will be difficult to convince the world one way or the other.'

'Our results don't prove there was life,' said Joseph L. Kirschvink, head of the Cal Tech team. But the finding proves that the possibility of life cannot be eliminated because of temperature, he said.

The Cal Tech team determined the temperature history of the rock by measuring the magnetic field direction of tiny parts of the samples. The magnetic field direction in a rock will change slightly each time it is heated and cooled.

'To make the measurement, we had to saw apart a specimen the size of a grain of sand,' said Altair T. Maine, a member of the Cal Tech team.

Kirschvink said his team found that after the rock cooled from a melt some 4 billion years ago, it was never again heated to a temperature lethal to all life.

The Cal Tech study also showed that early in the history of Mars, the planet had a magnetic field similar to that of Earth. Kirschvink said this means the planet probably had an atmosphere. A strong magnetic field allows a planet to retain an atmosphere.

Over billions of years, however, Mars has lost its magnetic field and

most of its atmosphere, he said.

Kirschvink said the magnetic studies also show that the sampled part of the Mars meteorite never heated up as it entered the Earth's atmosphere and smashed into the Antarctic. This suggests that microorganisms could survive a trip from Mars to Earth.

'An implication of our study is that you could get life from Mars to Earth periodically,' he said. 'In fact, every major impact could do it.'

Earlier studies had suggested a Mars origin of life and Kirschvink said his studies do not rule out this possibility.

Kurt Marti, an expert on the chemistry of the solar system at the University of California, San Diego, said the two new studies may lay to rest temperature challenges to the Mars life theory, but he said there are other objections.

'These all have to be addressed one by one,' he said. 'Until that is done, we have to be careful about accepting or rejecting this theory.'

Among the theory's other problems: the need for chemical evidence of life based on carbon isotope ratios, and better physical evidence that the carbonate globules are, in fact, fossils.

Valley said he hopes to start soon an analysis of the carbon isotopes.

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Source: The Jerusalem Post
Date: 13th February 13 1997

Livnat, Knesset discuss extraterrestrial life

The Knesset's deliberations yesterday were out of this world, as Communications Minister Limor Livnat stated that the existence - or nonexistence - of unidentified flying objects cannot be verified by scientific methods.

Livnat, the government's liaison with the Knesset, was responding on behalf of the Science Ministry to a parliamentary question by MK Avi Yehezkel (Labor) dealing with recent claims about the landing of strangers from outer space. The latest one, revolving around a little green thing found at a moshav, was proven by foreign scientists to have terrestrial origins.

"No serious body in the world has authoritative evidence of so-called visits by creatures from space," Livnat said. "It's true that a lack of proof doesn't mean that something does not exist, but in the absence of evidence, anyone is free to believe what he wants."

The minister noted with irony that despite the "intensive 'encounters' by extraterrestrial creatures with laborers, farmers, housewives and pensioners, none of them have ever met a physicist, biologist, chemist or astronomer to get an exact scientific picture of the similarities and contrasts between our worlds."

The planet Earth "needed five billion years to develop intelligent life; although other parts of the universe are older, there may be heavenly bodies with life forms..., but consider the fact that the average distance from another planet with the potential of life in our galaxy is 400 light-years, and it would take a spaceship 8.5 million years to get here."

The US government established investigative committees on UFOs in 1948, 1949, 1952 and 1962, and they discredited 95 percent of the testimonies, Livnat said, but "their conclusions did not weaken popular belief in UFOs. We don't know anything more about them today than we did 50 years ago, and that's true about the Loch Ness monster, astrology, parapsychology, palm reading and other strange and various notions."

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Source: Associated Press
Date: 15th March 1997

Arizonans report strange lights in Thursday's sky

PHOENIX (AP) Strange bright lights over northern and northwestern Arizona evoked bevy of telephone calls but drew no official explanation.

Law enforcement agencies said their phones began ringing Thursday night with questions from people wanting to know what the lights were.

One Phoenix area man videotaped what appeared to be a string of nine lights hovering above the desert floor. The video was highlighted on the television news Friday evening.

So what were they?

The Arizona National Guard said Friday it has no earthly explanation.

However, Capt. Eileen Bienz, spokeswoman for the state guard, said an Apache helicopter pilot told a Phoenix television station that the lights were caused by military flares sent up during a training exercise.

The pilot also said Prescott residents erroneously identified a formation of five military aircraft as a UFO, Bienz said.

UFO buffs didn't buy those explanations.

A spokesperson with a national UFO hotline in Washington state called it a ``dramatic event.''

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Source: The Daily Courier, Arizona
Date: 16th March 1997

UFO sightings in PV, other areas

Despite reports, Luke Air Force Base denies sending aircraft to investigate

By LAURA HINCHEY

A man reported sighting UFOs above a shopping center in Prescott Valley at about 8 p.m. Thursday night, according to Prescott Valley police. Peter B. Davenport, director for the National UFO reporting center in Seattle, said his organization's hot line received more than a dozen calls last night from several areas of Arizona regarding objects seen in the sky.

Davenport said the hot line began receiving calls for a sighting in the Paulden area, then Prescott, then the Glendale area and the last report was for objects seen over Tucson.

A man from Paulden called The Daily Courier and said he saw five diamond shaped objects with wispy tails around 8 p.m. last night. Upon hearing that other people have reported also seeing the objects, he said, "I'm glad to know I wasn't the only weirdo."

Kurt Milam, spokesman for the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office, said they received some calls last night from people who saw low-flying objects, but YCSO did not dispatch deputies to investigate.

A speaker at the Federal Aviation Administration said they had only received calls from people wanting to know if any UFOs had been sighted.

An astronomer called into the hot line office and told them he saw the UFOs in northern Phoenix, five of them with lights.

According to the hot line speaker, Luke Air Force Base apparently sent two jets last night to intercept the UFOs. The pilots recorded the objects on camera, and returned to base. Allegedly one pilot was shaken, and the base was locked down for the night.

Media liaison at Luke Air Force Base Sgt. Rolla Suttmiller said no aircraft were sent out and there was no lock-down, adding that the cameras on the aircraft's only take pictures of targets during practice.

She said the base received no calls Thursday night regarding UFO

sightings. "We do not respond to something like this," she said. "And we do not fly in the evening."

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Source: The Associated Press
Date: 16th March 1997

It's just 2.5 miles of yarn

By MARCIA DUNN

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - For nearly a year, America's ``other space agency'' - the super-secretive National Reconnaissance Office - has been monitoring a bright, white object streaking through the night sky.

Don't fret: It's not a UFO. It's 2 1/2 miles of knitting yarn.

The single strand of reinforced acrylic yarn has been orbiting Earth, unwound, since last June.

The National Reconnaissance Office is intrigued by the possibility of using tethers to connect clusters of small satellites so they can communicate, much like a computer network.

Other tantalizing applications: using tethers to power spacecraft by generating electricity as the conductive cords sweep through Earth's magnetic field, to propel spacecraft into different orbits and to drop experiments from a space station.

This is the longest-lasting space tether yet, a \$4 million experiment to demonstrate the motion and survivability of tethers in low Earth orbit, littered with micrometeoroids as well as space junk.

It's also the first unclassified, ongoing space project in the 36-year history of the National Reconnaissance Office.

The NRO typically flies spy satellites.

``It's really fantastic to call people up on the phone and say, `Hi, I'm Scott Larrimore and I'm with the NRO and I'd like you to track my spacecraft. It catches a lot of open mouths,''' said Larrimore, an Air Force captain who is program manager for the tether experiment.

Still, the NRO has some things to be closemouthed about.

The NRO refuses to say how or when the shoestring-like tether was rocketed into orbit or how or when its next tether experiment will fly. Until December, all NRO launches were classified for so-called national security reasons.

What it will say, on the record, is this:

The Tether Physics and Survivability experiment, called Tips, was ejected from a classified military satellite on June 20, 1996, into a 635-mile-high orbit that swings as far north as Alaska and as far south as Chile's Cape Horn. A few hours later, the yarn -all 2 1/2 miles - was unreeled from a spool. The tether, which weighs 12 pounds, was bowed and swung like a jump rope, but eventually straightened and became more perpendicular to Earth.

Nine months later, the yarn still is orbiting Earth, intact. The NRO knows so because of ground-based laser, radar and telescope observations. Amateur astronomers also keep unofficial tabs on the tether. (It's visible with binoculars on a clear night, although you need to know exactly where and when to look.)

Tips has outlived its predecessors by months. NRO officials say if the tether isn't broken by a micrometeoroid or other debris, it could orbit for as long as 27 years before plunging through the atmosphere and burning up.

The last time a tether flew, aboard space shuttle Columbia in February 1996, the 12-mile conductive cord snapped within five hours because of an electric discharge. The satellite-on-a-string drifted away like a lost balloon. On the first flight of the \$400 million NASA-Italian Space Agency system, aboard Atlantis in 1992, a protruding bolt caused the tether to jam a mere 840 feet out.

Despite all the trouble, the two missions proved electricity could

be generated by a tether system - easy power for spacecraft. And the unintended severing of the tether demonstrated that the higher of two objects goes up when a tether is cut and the lower one goes down slightly - a fuel-free way to boost spacecraft into longer-lasting orbits.

A shuttle, for example, could depart from the future international space station via a tether. Once that tether is cut, the shuttle would drop and the station would rise - a win-win situation.

NASA successfully flew three simpler and cheaper tethers on unmanned Delta rockets in the early 1990s. The third test ended abruptly, however, when the 12-mile line was severed, most likely by a micrometeoroid, just three days and 17 hours after it was unreeled.

The only other orbiting tethers to date: 100-foot cords linking manned capsules and Agena boosters during Gemini 11 and 12 in 1966.

NASA's next shot at a tether? Not until 1999 and most definitely not on a space shuttle, where astronaut safety is paramount. The space agency dumped a tether experiment that was to have flown on Discovery this July.

``Things have really been ramped back because of the squeeze on the budget and the bad experience we've had with tethers,'' said NASA project manager Jim Harrison.

Added astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman, who flew on both tethered-satellite missions: ``It's an emotional impact. What can you say? It would have been better if it hadn't broken.''

Unlike NASA, the NRO wanted as plain a tether system as possible.

The 2 1/2 miles of white yarn is wrapped in braided Spectra 1000, a tough, white fiber used in bulletproof vests and fish lines. The resulting nonconductive cord is about one-tenth of an inch thick.

On either end of the Tips tether is an aluminum, hexagonal box covered with 18 laser reflectors. The box containing the NASA-donated unreeling device and long-dead electronics has a mass of 83 pounds. The other box is 23 pounds.

The names of the boxes: Ralph and Norton, respectively.

Remember Ralph Kramden and Ed Norton of ``The Honeymooners?''

``It tickled my funny bone and I got away with it,'' said Bill Purdy, program manager for the Naval Research Laboratory, which designed and managed the Tips experiment for the NRO.

The NRO and NRL aren't the only ones picking up where NASA left off.

The engineer who developed the Tips tether, Joe Carroll of Tether Applications in Chula Vista, Calif., has a 22-mile cord that's supposed to ride on a European Ariane 5 rocket later this year. He's also working on a tethered capsule that might be used to return experiments from the future international space station.

And Rob Hoyt of Tethers Unlimited in Seattle is working on a fishnet stocking-type tether. Why fishnet? If one string breaks, the tether still holds.

Hoyt's most far-flung project: rotating tethers that work like a bola to hurl payloads from Earth orbit to the moon.

As for the space elevator envisioned by science fiction writer Arthur C. Clarke, lifting people and cargo to geosynchronous orbit 22,300 miles up, that's farfetched - for now.

No material currently exists that's strong enough, yet affordable, for such a long, long tether.

``You get on an elevator and you push a button to go to geo,'' Carroll said. ``That's the 10-millionth floor. That's going to take a while.''

A brief look at the eight orbiting tethers to date:

September 1966: 100-foot Dacron cord links manned Gemini 11 capsule and Agena booster.

November 1966: 100-foot Dacron cord links manned Gemini 12 capsule and Agena booster.

August 1992: 12-mile conductive tether with satellite on end jams 840 feet out while being unreeled from space shuttle Atlantis.

March 1993: 12 1/2-mile tether launched on Delta rocket, intentionally cut two hours after being unreeled and re-enters atmosphere and burns up.

June 1993: One-third-mile conductive tether launched on Delta rocket, orbits for 1 1/2 months to two months before re-entering atmosphere and burning up.

March 1994: 12 1/2-mile tether launched on Delta rocket, severed three days and 17 hours after being unreeled, most likely by micrometeoroid. Remaining tether and booster segment orbit for 59 days before re-entering atmosphere and burning up.

February 1996: 12-mile conductive tether with satellite on end breaks while being unreeled from space shuttle Columbia. Tethered satellite orbits for 23 days before re-entering atmosphere and burning up.

June 1996: 2 1/2-mile tether ejected into orbit from classified military satellite, still intact and flying.

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Source: Los Angeles Times
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In Person: Looking into the alien ex machina

Physicist Bob Wood Wants to Know How UFOs Get Here

Attention extraterrestrial visitors: If your travel plans include an Orange County flyover, you might want to stop by Bob's house.

Bob Wood, a former director of research and development at McDonnell Douglas who holds a doctorate in physics, would like to chat. The 68-year-old Newport Beach resident has spent the last three decades trying to answer a single, basic question: How did you get here?

"We're just a little bit behind in understanding all of the technology used by the aliens, or visitors--or whatever you want to call them," said Wood, research director of the 5,000-member Mutual

UFO Network and its Orange County chapter. "But there are ways to figure it out and build such craft. I don't accept the idea that we won't be able to replicate their capabilities."

But he does accept the idea that visitors from other worlds have been coming to Earth for a long time. And in 1967, he managed to convince McDonnell Douglas that the idea was worth studying.

The giant aerospace company allowed him to assemble a small team of researchers to investigate reports of UFOs and alien encounters, with the goal of discovering the underlying science that could make their visits possible. The project ended after two years with no definitive results, but the research made him a believer.

"I read a book, then I read another book, and pretty soon I'd read about 100 books and I decided this was no joke, there was something to it. The preponderance of eyewitness accounts was just so overwhelming, I couldn't ignore it."

One of the most intriguing UFO accounts Wood has investigated was reported in 1965 by Orange County highway inspector Rex Heflin. Wood ranks it as the county's most significant UFO sighting to date.

"During his normal routine, somewhere near Dyer and Myford roads, he saw this craft right in front of his windshield. He had a loaded Polaroid camera on his front seat because that was his job, to photograph things that needed to be fixed. So he took a shot right through his front window."

Heflin took three photos before the hat-shaped UFO left the area. "He drove farther and then got out and took a picture of the smoke ring that was left behind after it accelerated out of sight."

The first three photographs were published in an Orange County newspaper more than a month later. They were examined in 1967 by the Condon Committee, a team of scientists from the University of Colorado commissioned by the Air Force to conduct an independent study of UFO reports.

"The Condon Committee declared that maybe it was a hoax, because of their inability to prove that it couldn't have been a small model," said Wood, who first met Heflin in 1968. "He seemed quite credible to me. And there were other things that were consistent with other sightings: His radio crackled and went out just as the UFO was close. And he described a wedge-shaped region of light on the bottom of the craft. He never knew that this light was on his photographs. It was only later that the researchers found it on the photographs."

Wood and Pasadena researcher Ann Druffel have obtained the original photos, which were taken from Heflin in 1965 and mysteriously returned to him in 1993.

Heflin said he'd given the photos to someone claiming to be an official from the North American Air Defense Command. But NORAD officials denied contacting him.

"He told me that he'd gotten a phone call from a female voice that said, 'Have you looked in your mail box recently?' He said, 'No,' so he went out and looked and there was nothing there. He went out and looked a half-hour later, and somebody had left him his original photographs inside an envelope."

Using the latest computer technology, Wood hopes to determine if the photos are indeed genuine.

"You couldn't have done this five years ago. We will be using a new technique for finding patterns in photographs--it's basically a computer scan."

Of the 300 sightings reported to MUFON each year that are considered unexplainable, about 10 are from Southern California. The 100-member Orange County chapter gets only a few calls each month, and most have earthly explanations.

"You have to think of multiple explanations for these anomalous things. Many times there are reasonable explanations, and you don't want to be led down the wrong path."

For those unexplainable accounts of UFOs and alien encounters, Wood said there is no consensus on whether the visitors are friendly or hostile.

"I'd say there are several civilizations that might be involved, based on the in-depth interrogation of witnesses who are willing to go on record. Extraterrestrial societies could be better at some things, such as propulsion. But that wouldn't make them necessarily better in ethics. There's significant evidence that people have been abducted, but for the most part, the interest seems to be one of curiosity and seeking understanding."

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Profile: Bob Wood

Age: 68

Hometown: Little Falls, N.Y.

Residence: Newport Beach

Family: Wife Charlotte; two grown children; two grandchildren

Education: Bachelor's degree in aeronautical engineering, University of Colorado; PhD in physics, Cornell University

Background: McDonnell Douglas Corp. researcher and executive for 43 years, including eight years as director of research and development; director of advanced development for space station project

UFO research: Investigated reports of sightings and conducted scientific research on possible methods of UFO space travel for McDonnell Douglas, 1968-70; director of research for Mutual UFO Network Inc. (MUFON) since 1993; founding director of research for the Orange County section of MUFON since 1995

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GRAPHIC: PHOTO: Bob Wood: "We're just a little bit behind in understanding all of the technology used by the aliens, or visitors--or whatever you want to call them." PHOTOGRAPHER: CHRISTINE COTTER / Los Angeles Times PHOTO: IN PERSON: Bob Wood, 68, of Newport Beach used to be a director of research and development at McDonnell Douglas. Now he uses his expertise investigating UFO reports. GRAPHIC-CHART: Profile: Bob Wood / Los Angeles Times

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amount of equipment appears to have been updated.

While we were in the radar operators room having the various blips and smudges that were moving around the screen explained to us, I could not pass up the opportunity to ask the inevitable question. I'm sure the majority of you would have done the same. It did cause my two colleagues to look at me with embarrassed smiles. Their interest in ufology is near zero. However I asked the operator if over the years they came across many unidentified objects on radar and if so how did they log them. He asked me what I meant. I replied "UFOs". In about one second flat he looked at me, smiled and said "No" and carried on discussing the radar. I got the distinct impression that that was the end of that and any further questions were going to get me nowhere. What did I expect really. Nothing I suppose.

I know for a fact that most if not all UK ATC's record any strange situations in a 'log' book. Another colleague who has seen Birmingham's 'book' but not had access to its contents told me of its existence but stated "they will never show it to you".

This leads me onto a question. Do any of you out there know of similar 'books' held by ATC's? Have you ever seen one? Do you know anyone who has? Send in your comments to us. If we publish your mail and you wish to remain anonymous please inform us. In the subject area of you mail put: ATC's SECRET BOOK.

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(UK) Boscombe Down Stealth Crash

United Kingdom News

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Our girls seduced by aliens says Eric

By Andy Russell

Male nurse Eric Morris has quit his job to help women who say they were seduced by aliens.

The UFO fan is Britain's first alien abduction counselor.

Eric, 43, says many of his patients claim they had sex with randy extra-terrestrials.

One woman even told him she had an alien baby after being wooed on a flying saucer. "I totally believe her," he said. "She had scars on her body that can't be accounted for."

"I believe there is a crossbreeding program going on."

Eric, a former Royal Navy petty officer, gets 20 letters a week from abduction "victims."

He went on: "Lots of woman feel impelled to have sex with these beings and feel ashamed. I help them to deal with it."

The married dad from Winsford, Cheshire, has also dealt with a woman who says a blue reptile like alien taught her a language called Sensor.

He insisted: "I am not a nutter."

[U2]*****

Source: Computing (UK)
Date: 6th February 1997

Xyratex opens X-File on life on Mars

Staff at UK storage specialist Xyratex are putting in unpaid overtime searching for extraterrestrial life.

Late last year, Xyratex came into possession of a 1mm fragment of ALH84001 - the Martian meteorite scientists claim contains traces of

alien bacteria.

Xyratex lab staff are now examining the fragment with an atomic force microscope, whose 10-million-fold magnification is normally used to map surface flaws on hard disks.

Claims that life on Mars had been proven were based on patterns found using a scanning electron microscope (SEM). But before an SEM can be used, samples must be sputtered with a metal coating. Xyratex believes its experience in sputtering gold and palladium coatings onto disk drive heads gives it one-up on the biologists.

Xyratex surface specialist David Stapleton said patterns identified as life may have resulted from the sputtering process. The atomic force microscope is able to compare patterns to markings in sputtering coats on silicon wafers.

So is there life on Mars? Stapleton said: 'I can't say . And if that sounds like a scientist hedging his bets, that's because it is.'

World News

[W1]*****

Source: The Times newspaper
Date: Tuesday 18th February 1997

It's ice-crust moon could harbour life on ocean floor

Nigel Hawkes, Science Editor, at the American Association in Seattle, hears that ocean floor activity on Europa could create an environment similar to the undersea volcanoes on Earth

One of Jupiter's moons may be the best place in the solar system to search for evidence of life, scientists believe.

The ice-covered moon Europa, visited on Sunday by the spacecraft Galileo, is believed to possess deep oceans under the crust of ice. If pictures and other data from Galileo provide confirmation, pressure will mount for a full scale exploration of the moon by robot spacecraft early next century.

Dr Eugene Shoemaker, of the US Geological Survey, told the American Association for the Advancement of Science that he believed Europa's ocean was between 100km and 200km deep and covered by a layer of ice 10km thick. Volcanic activity at the bottom of the ocean would provide conditions for life very like those at the hydrothermal vents at the bottom of the Earth's oceans, where heat and minerals from the mantle spilt out, creating an environment teeming with life.

Research with submersibles over the past 20 years has shown that these areas, once thought to be oceanic deserts, are inhabited by colonies of bacteria and by the Earth's fastest-growing invertebrates, the tube worms. Dr Richard Lutz of Rutgers University, New Jersey, told the meeting that at one such site on the East Pacific Rise he had found tube worms that had grown to 5ft in 20 months.

He had first visited the site, 1 and a half miles below the surface off the west coast of Mexico, in 1991 in the middle of a volcanic eruption that destroyed all life forms. But on repeat visits over the next few years, he had seen it recover with dramatic speed. "It became a lush oasis in less than three years."

His observations have convinced astronomers that Europa is also likely to harbour life, so long as it possesses an ocean and volcanic activity. The meeting was told that there are good reasons for believing it has both.

Dr Steven Squyres, of Cornell University, said that the orbit of Europa around Jupiter was elliptical, creating alternating stresses on the moon that caused it to flex as it orbited. This produced heat that could be enough to keep the water on the moon's surface from freezing solid.

Dr Shoemaker said that Europa's relatively unpockmarked surface, with many fewer craters than Io, another Jovian moon, suggests it has been constantly reshaped by volcanic activity. The combination of liquid water and volcanoes would reproduce almost exactly the same environment as that visited by Dr Lutz in the Pacific.

Dr John Delaney, of the University of Washington, said: "It is very difficult to say surely there will be life there but we know you can drill a hole anywhere on this planet and find bacterial life deep underground. It is beginning to look at as if any planet with a reasonable brittle outer portion may have originated life. Life can start but whether it can evolve is a different matter."

Dr Squyres said that the recent discovery of a huge lake of water below the ice of Antarctica could provide a test bed for the techniques that will be needed to explore Europa. Lake Vostok, found by the Russians close to their base, lies under 4km of ice. Its water is believed to have been undisturbed for millions of years.

Drilling in Lake Vostok would be easy but for the fear of contaminating it. The drilling fluids needed would mix with the water, destroying its scientific value. Scientists are puzzling how to complete the hole cleanly, in a rehearsal of what may one day be needed on Europa.

A number of proposals for exploring Europa have already been put to the American space agency. Nasa, and the money for such a mission is in the budget. The earliest a probe could leave would be 2002 or 2002.

To find life there, even if it was no more complex than a primitive bacterium, would be "an absolutely profound event in the history of human culture", Dr Delaney said.

[W2]*****

Source: Daily Mail newspaper
Date: Tuesday 18th February 1997

Dinosaur doomsday

>From David Derbyshire
Science Correspondent in Seattle

It has long been one of science's great unproven theories. Were the dinosaurs wiped out by a huge asteroid that hit the Earth 65 million years ago?

After 17 years of speculation, researchers are on the brink of confirming their hypothesis.

A team drilling for soil samples on the ocean floor 8,500ft beneath the surface of the Atlantic has uncovered what is believed to be the first direct proof of the cataclysmic impact. Measuring 12 miles by 6, the asteroid hit the Earth at thousands of miles per hour, unleashing more energy than is contained in all the nuclear weapons ever made.

Billions of tons of soil, sulphur and rock vapour were lifted into the atmosphere, blotting out the sun and causing temperatures to plummet around the globe in an 'asteroid winter' that lasted 5,000 years.

Up to 70 per cent of all plant and animal species - including the dinosaurs - perished. Some small mammals survived, however, and evolved over millions of years into new species, including humans.

Working on a drill ship off the east coast of Florida, a team led by scientist Richard Norris recovered three cores with a thin brownish cross section called the 'fireball layer', which is thought to contain pieces of the asteroid.

"This neat layer of sediment has never been discovered in the sea before," Mr Norris told an international science conference in Seattle. "We've found the smoking gun - it is proof positive of the impact."

He said the deepest layers in the cores contained fossil remains of many animals and came from the healthy 'happy-go-lucky ocean' that existed just before the impact.

Directly above that is a layer with small green glass pebbles, thought to be material from the ocean bottom by the massive energy release of the impact. Next is a rusty brown level which is believed to be from the vaporised remains of the asteroid.

Just above the brown layer, is a two-inch band of grey clay - strong evidence of a planet almost devoid of life.

"It was not a completely dead ocean, but most of the species that are seen before the asteroid - early in the core sample - are gone," said Mr Norris. "There are only a few very minute fossils. These were the survivors in the ocean."

The dead zone lasted about 5,000 years before new life began to spring up. "It is amazing how quickly the new species appeared," added Norris.

Following the impact, the material thrown up into the atmosphere 'snowed' down in a fine powder, all over the planet.

Brown deposits like those in the samples taken by his team have been found at various locations. Each had a high content of iridium - a chemical signature of asteroids.

Although the rock that wiped out the dinosaurs fell to Earth in the southern Gulf of Mexico, Norris went to the Atlantic near the edge of the continental shelf because the violence of the impact would have left little usable evidence at the epicentre.

Norris thought that waves from the impact would have washed across Florida, depositing debris in the Atlantic. His theory was borne out.

Robert Corell, assistant director of geosciences for the National Science Foundation, said the core samples were the strongest evidence yet that an asteroid impact caused the extinction of the dinosaurs.

"In my view, this is the most significant discovery in 20 years," he added.

Geologist Walter Alvarez from the University of California first proposed the asteroid theory in 1980. His ideas received little support at the time.

The latest findings come as French scientists believe they have evidence that dinosaurs were migratory animals which travelled in packs.

The team claims footprints of 60 dinosaurs of the diplodocus genus - dating back 145 million years - found in a quarry near Cahors, South-West France, prove they were heading inland from the sea to escape a seasonal flood.

[W3]*****

Source: Daily Mail newspaper
Date: Tuesday 18th February 1997

Search for life on a frozen moon

Life will be discovered on Jupiter's ice moon within a generation, the conference was told yesterday.

Scientists are increasingly convinced that the frozen crust of Europa hides a giant ocean, said John Delaney, an oceanographer at the University of Washington. Combined with volcanic heat, the presence of water would appear to make the existence of life on the satellite a possibility. Nasa will send a probe there within ten years.

"The first discovery of life on another planet is going to be an absolutely profound event in the history of the human culture," said Delaney. It's a tremendously exciting thing. It will impact religion, economics, everything." Europa has been the prime candidate for life since 1983 when space scientists first began to suspect the ocean's existence.

Recent pictures of the moon revealed a flat surface but astronomers claim craters caused by meteors have been plugged up with water from deep below the surface.

[W4]*****

Source: Focus magazine
Date: February 1997

Blame it on the aliens...

If it's unexplainable, bizarre or irritating, some hapless space being will cop it. So just what are they supposed to be guilty of?

By Robert Ashton

Crop circles aren't caused by hoaxers. That dead cow you saw by the road didn't die of natural causes. Elvis Presley didn't collapse and die while having his final dump. That's right: none of these events is what it seems because they were all the work of aliens. And before you dismiss this out of hand, consider the following: you are statistically more likely to see Elvis, a Martian and the Loch Ness Monster in the same place on the same day as you are to win the jackpot in the National Lottery. You can get odds on that in any high street bookies. So, there are plenty of people taking the role of the alien in modern society seriously, then?

"Oh yes," says Michael Soper, spokesman for the UK's UFO intelligence gathering operation Contact International. "There is more than enough good information. We can convince people that aliens are here, but we don't really want to because they would find it upsetting. Knowing there are aliens would put us in a reduced role in the universe. To know this is to know we are controlled like a herd."

Here's where you have to suspend your natural disbelief, because you are about to enter the twilight zone of the UFO enthusiast. It's a weird world where nothing appears quite as straightforward as you might like to think.

Such a baffling miasma of speculation has built up that we thought we'd at least try to find out what it is the 'little green men' are being blamed for... even if you can't believe a word of it.

Take the question of whether UFOs are genuine alien space-craft. While many of us have spent time debating the initial premise of whether or not alien life even exists, UFO believers seize the topic and are proposing elaborate series of beliefs. Not only do aliens exist, they claim, but they have devised faster-than-light travel in order to fly to Earth and are here to perform intricate experiments on the human race in pursuit of some unknown end.

Little green meddlers?

Serious science attributes UFO sightings to natural phenomena that can be explained easily in 90 per cent of cases. Problem is that there's that remaining 10 per cent providing fuel for the unorthodoxies of the UFO spot-ter's fire. This in turn leads them to assume that unexplained phenomena, from mysterious memory lapses to the loss of ships and planes, must necessarily be part of some horribly sinister extraterrestrial conspiracy.

Some go even further. David Jacobs, author of *Secret Life: First-hand Accounts of UFO Abductions*, argues that the alien agenda is to abduct humans in order to produce a hybrid earthling/alien creature. Christine Florenz, for example, is a celebrated alien abductee who claims to have had sex with an alien. She couldn't account for three hours of a journey she was taking in the southern USA, in the late Eighties, after which she became pregnant. Unfortunately this story is hard to confirm as there is no earthling/alien offspring and the circumstances in which her pregnancy was terminated are unclear.

Has anybody seen Elvis recently?

Most people believe that Elvis Presley died, as commonly reported, in 1977 after years of drug and alcohol abuse. Not so, say the cohorts of pro-alien experts and doubtless Sunday Sport readers, too. Elvis was abducted by aliens. The trivial fact that no credible eyewitness accounts of Presley being beamed aboard the Starship Hound Dog have yet been offered to UFO associations does not daunt supporters of the theory. They are equally undeterred by the fact that secret FBI and CIA files released under the Freedom of Information Act don't point to anything other than an untimely death on the John. But reported sightings of the rocker working in fish'n'chip shops and country'n'western bars lead many UFOlogists to speculate that aliens removed his memory before returning him 'all shook up' to earth.

There are certainly a number of spectacular alleged precedents of alien kidnapping. Budd Hopkins, author of *Missing Time*, suggests abductions may actually be more common than sightings. An

influential Close Encounters symposium staged in 1992 heard testimony from a number of abductees who described medical examinations, involving extraction of blood, sperm and other bodily fluids, aboard alien craft. A theme common to all accounts was a poor recollection of events, often needing regression hypnosis to stimulate memory, and an unaccountable loss of time.

Aliens also appear to be fairly choosy about their victims. Guest speaker Thomas Bullard reported that of 309 alien abduction cases he has studied, around two thirds of the victims had been male and subjects aged between seven and 20 are the category most at risk. "Abductions are a peril of youth," he claims. "If you manage to pass 30 without ever being abducted you have little to worry about."

The aliens have stolen all the power!

Car won't start on a January morning? Blame the weather. And why not? Ice, snow and rain are almost certainly the cause for screwed up ignition systems? Well, aren't they?

Not according to alien experts. They're convinced there is a causal link between UFO activity and power failure, blaming many spluttering engines, blackouts and other electrical malfunctions on the aliens.

There have been several examples of sky-way robbery with satellites going down or, in some instances, going missing. In 1966 a USAF base in Montana was crippled following UFO sightings and in one of the most dramatic cases on record, New York was plunged into darkness on 9 November 1965 despite the power company insisting there were no problems on the grid.

Atmospheric physicist James MacDonald later claimed during a House Committee on Science and Astronautics, that UFOs were responsible for the power cut. Other leading researchers are convinced aliens can be blamed for a host of similar blackouts, including one in London in November 1965 when no fault at the power plants could be found.

Commonly UFO activity has been reported at the time of the failures, which leads some people to conclude that aliens can siphon off and store huge amounts of electricity either to power their spacecraft or feed their electrical needs at home. A by-product of this may be the creation of force fields jamming other electrical systems, such as car ignitions.

Close encounters of the cereal kind

Following a mass outbreak of asymmetrical patterns on the Wiltshire landscape in the mid-1980s, the county has become a focus for crop circle studies. They have been explained variously as complex hoaxes, the result of the mating habits of hedgehogs or rabbits, secret weapon testing and fungal growth.

Other unproven theories have been put forward by scientist Terence Meaden, who proposed a 'plasma vortex' theory based on the phenomenon of electrohydrodynamics. The Japanese are also undertaking research into a rotating electrified energy field. "There is strong evidence that that is what is going on to create the circles," comments one scientist, "anything more complex is a hoax."

However, science has failed to adequately back its theories and despite a number of well-publicised faked circles, alien hunters still exercise the view that only UFO activity could explain crop circles. UFO researchers suggest some of the circular and sometimes triangular pictograms are so complex and so enormous that no hoaxer with a stick and a piece of string would be able to create them.

One of the leading researchers in this field, George Wingfield, reports in his paper Circular Conundrums that the connection between aliens and crop circles is not in doubt.

"UFOs have been observed in proximity to circles and pictograms," states Wingfield. "When circles have appeared in completely new locations, they have often been preceded by sightings of unidentified luminous objects."

But how are the circles made? Some investigators say they are created when UFOs land, others believe the elaborate patterns could be messages from civilisations in outer space. Wingfield proposes the alien artworks are formed by seeding and claims that "after the initial visitation by the aerial component of the circle-making

agency, a new site often continues to exhibit circles."

This being the case, it's pretty obvious that the aliens are using the fields of Wiltshire as an agricultural test bed. Being in possession of chemicals too noxious to test on their own planet, they are using ours as a huge lab to per- feet the biological components...

We may laugh, but there's a lot more where this stuff comes from. What might loosely be termed 'agricultural' alien stories are a particularly rich source of humorous anecdote. And sometimes they're just too silly to take seriously. Take, for example, the story of the tiny community in Chile that found itself at the centre of a manhunt in 1988. Dansio and Marcia Fanchez, whose son Pepe had disappeared, claimed that it was all the fault of aliens. As they enjoyed cocktails on their porch one summer evening, extraterrestrials had descended in a spaceship and maliciously transformed little Pepe into a green olive - which Dansio had mistakenly dunked into his Martini, and in doing so drowned his own son.

A tale of the imagination fine enough to have impressed Roald Dahl, though one that failed to penetrate the scepticism of the Chilean judiciary. The Fanchez couple even claimed in court that the officer investigating the case had destroyed defence evidence by eating the all-important olive. But it was to no avail: the couple was convicted of murder ...

On 25th January 1992 a sheriff deputy in Okfussee County, Oklahoma, discovered a dead cow by the side of the road.

It had been sinisterly mutilated: its udder had been sliced off with surgeon-like precision, ruling out any attack by a wild animal.

The Oklahoma deputy filed a report citing satanic ritual as the probable cause of death. However, this hardly took into account the absence of blood, footprints or any signs of struggle.

Three dead cow was just one of several thousand severely mutilated animals whose discovery every year is routinely blamed upon devil worshippers or vague 'unknown phenomena'. And wherever scientific gaps like this occur you can be sure that the pro-UFO lobbyists will be queuing up to provide explanations - and many are convinced that aliens are to blame.

Linda Howe, author of *An alien harvest: further evidence linking animal mutilations and human abductions to alien life forms*, teamed up with a pathologist in 1989 to find a solution to the mutilation enigma.

After analysing many tissue samples, Howe concluded that all the mutilated animals had suffered heat-induced cell changes along the point of incision. She suggested aliens might be using a laser style beam at hundreds of degrees to perform their macabre dissections.

Howe was a little less certain as to why aliens should bother to do this: she put forward the idea that they might be looking for genetic material in a bid to create a hybrid animal.

One theory could be that this is an alien attempt to clone natural food supplies...

Hitler bomber mystery

On 24th April 1988 the Sunday Sport (ahem) 'newspaper' baffled Britain with a front-page picture of a B-52 bomber nestling among the craters on the moon. Despite the fact that photo montages like this can be digitally created in minutes there was no shortage of people believing the picture. Some even came up with unorthodox 'explanations'.

The best of these claims that the Nazis towed the rickety USAF bomber into space for Adolf Hitler to use as his lunar taxi. Another assumes a black hole opened over the infamous Bermuda Triangle, sucking the crew and their plane into outer space.

Even harder to substantiate is the long- running claim that the Nazis were in league with aliens during WWII. On 13th December 1944, the Associated Press described mysterious silvery balls flying over the Western Front as possible German allies from space. American bomber pilots also spotted strange craft in the Pacific which they

nicknamed 'Foo Fighters'.

Although written off by sceptics as the electrical phenomena known as St Elmo's fire, these tales lead some UFologists to thinking that Hitler made a pact with aliens in a desperate last bid to win the war...

A giant leap for alienkind

Superman, devil or alien? Spring-Heeled Jack, a mysterious being who terrorised Victorian England, was as feared as his contemporary all-round rotter Jack The Ripper.

Described as a tall, brutish creature with glowing red eyes and ice cold claws, Spring-Heeled Jack was first reported on Barnes Common in 1837. Later sightings and attack on the public over the next 60 years placed him as far afield as Lincoln and Devon.

His name derives from the apparent ease with which he was able to vault walls and fences in a single stride, and by 1838 newspapers labelled him Public Enemy Number One.

Spring-Heeled Jack was caught by the army in Aldershot in 1870, but he bounded away seemingly unhurt after being shot at point blank range. Various other eerie encounters with Jack were reported over the next 30 years, but his last recorded appearance was in Liverpool in 1904 when a large mob witnessed evasion from attempts to capture him by striding away in single hops of more than 30 feet.

Alien supporters say Jack was an UFO-naut making the first giant leap for alienkind on an exploratory visit to Earth. Because of the differences in gravity between Jack's home planet and Earth, he was able to effect a state of weightlessness enabling him to cover prodigious distances. Er... obviously.

[W9]*****

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Date: Sunday, March 9, 1997

Europa and the 'Hoagland Eccentricity'

by Jay Ingram

Ever since the announcement last summer that there might have been life in the past on Mars, the extraterrestrial-life bandwagon has been full speed ahead. Speculation abounds but a recent case illustrates that there are limits: speculation still has to look and sound like science.

At the annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science a couple of weeks ago, scientists discussed the possibility that life might have - and might still exist on Jupiter's moon Europa.

Europa is by any measure a bizarre solar system object. Its surface appears to be a huge badly flooded skating rink at the end of a busy weekend, a vast globe of ice criss-crossed everywhere by cracks. There are very few craters, suggesting that those that once existed (almost everything in the solar system is thought to have been bombarded early on) have been smoothed out by an ever-changing surface.

Support for this idea comes from recent photos by the Galileo spacecraft showing what look like snow ice floes covering over old cracks. Also some of the cracks seem wider and darker than others.

This visual evidence, together with theoretical estimates of the heat-generating tidal pull on Europa by nearby Jupiter have prompted speculation that under that crust of ice (possibly very far under) there is a vast singular ocean of liquid water.

The dark cracks might be Europa's counterpart of shifting ice pans in the dark Arctic, which sometimes break apart to reveal narrow channels of darker water between.

At the AAAS meeting, scientists were building on the idea of the moon-girdling ocean to suggest that undersea volcanoes on Europa, powered by Jovian tidal forces, once (or still) spewed forth organic matter into this ocean, just as happens at the hot vents under our oceans.

On Earth, these upwellings contain micro-organisms. On Europa, who knows? Maybe this unlikely moon is a reservoir of undersea life.

Or then again, maybe it isn't. The Europa discussion at the AAAS was partially prompted by yet another close approach that might confirm or deny some of these ideas.

But there is a more interesting background to the idea. Speculation about Europa is by no means new. In late 1979, a science writer in the United States named Richard Hoagland first broached the idea that there might be life under the ice there. The images that sparked his imagination had arrived at Earth from the Voyager spacecraft, the one that gave us our first views of Jupiter, Saturn and their moons.

Hoagland put his ideas on paper in a verbose article in a magazine called Star and Sky in 1980. It's intriguing to read the article now, partly because he so clearly anticipates the thinking today and partly because no one today seems to be acknowledging his priority.

Some of the details are dated (Hoagland leans heavily on electricity in the early European atmosphere to generate the life-forming organic molecules, while today, as I mentioned above, scientists rely on undersea volcanoes). But in most respects the two arguments are absolutely consistent.

So where is Hoagland today and why aren't the Europa theorists talking about him. Is it perhaps because in the intervening years he took on a much more notorious cause, the face on Mars? Yes, it is the same Richard who is the prime mover behind the idea that a Viking spacecraft photo of a flat-topped mesa on the surface of Mars is a huge carved face.

Where Hoagland sees physiognomy, scientists see a chance juxtaposition of geology and shadow. But that hasn't stopped him. Last time I checked, he'd identified a complex of temples and pyramids nearby.

So when it comes to Europa, why don't we hear about Richard Hoagland? I think it's because it's perfectly okay to speculate about extraterrestrial life; it's even okay to dream about it swimming under the European ice; but it's just not respectable to think about somebody carving a big face on Mars.

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Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario (More Info)

From: **Jennifer Jarvis** <jarvis@globalserve.net>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 16:54:14 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 09:36:25 -0500
Subject: Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario (More Info)

This is further to my posting of Saturday night's events regarding the orange spheres over Lake Ontario.

We went down to the same Oakville location on Sunday night, and had activity from 20.14 until 20.35 approximately.

The first event took place near the Lakeview generating station at Port Credit and the others were out towards the south east over the lake.

Three orange orbs, lights, but NOT emitting light, came in almost simultaneously to the same location as the previous night (Saturday). They were visually about the same, but occasionally became considerably brighter. All three went down below the surface of the water.

There were conventional aircraft above these anomalous lights, and there was no comparison whatsoever. These things are BRILLIANT orange to gold, hover, and do NOT fade out. They SUBMERGE.

These are NOT MILITARY FLARES. I have watched military exercises at Alton Barnes and Pewsey in England during the practice manoeuvres prior to deploying for Bosnia. I know what MILITARY FLARES do!

These are NOT HELIUM BALLOONS, somehow illuminated.

Jennifer Jarvis

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Re: EL/TST

From: Jerry Cohen <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 19:49:25 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 13:40:26 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Wed, 19 Mar 1997 16:56:23 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net

>>Date: Sun, 9 Mar 1997 19:48:59 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Devereux - Rutkowski EL/TST

>Jerry wrote:

....snip....

>>Oh, by the way, do you feel that "norm" is actually established
>>[with regard to EL/BOL]? If so, could you possibly point me to
>>this information?

>The best thing would be for you to read *Earth Lights Revelation*,
>if you can get hold of a copy nowadays. If you read that through,
>you'll have a pretty good grasp of the range of the EL phenomenon.

JC: Having the publisher and date of publishing would really help.
Could you possibly make it a little easier for us to obtain this.
I'd really like to read it.

>There is no one, standard form of EL, of course. Typically it
>is a roundish basketball-sized glowing object, but there are an
>infinite number of varieties on this. They can be as small as
>a few inches, or many metres across; they can be ovoid/discoid,
>square, rectangular, rod-shaped and simply slow flares of light.
>They can appear in daylight and artificial light as metallic - shiny
>or dull. They can last from seconds to an hour or more. They
>tend to haunt certain areas for days, weeks, months and - quite
>often - for generations (we are on geological time).

JC: Of course, as you have said, this happens primarily in areas
with heavy tectonic strain. And each of these is documented for us
to see with pictures, etc.? And you (or whomever) have conclusively
proven that all the types you have mentioned are absolutely not
metallic? How was this accomplished? Again, where can we see this?
In good science, others need to verify how this was accomplished.

....snip....

>At the end of the day, we *know* that the attitude towards
>Persinger is predicated on a desire for his approach to be *wrong*.
>People want the fantasy of ETs.....snip....

JC: Since there are certain members of the scientific
establishment who take exactly the opposite approach "It can't be,
therefore it isn't," the two things basically cancel each other out.
So why bother discussing either? A recent post I wrote concerning
Hynek's reevaluation of Project Blue Book puts things in a more
realistic perspective. Perhaps it would be better if we studied
specific cases.

>PS - as to your request to me to consider this and that specific
>case - I really cannot get into that: I am not paid to spend my
>life on this list, alas, any more than you are.

JC: This is true yet, I and a number of others are here since research exchange is one of the basic functions of the NET. It is unfortunate that the work necessary to pursue one's theory makes it difficult for you to be familiar with the really difficult cases that do not fit your theory.

Respectfully,
Jerry Cohen

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>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 97 19:14:52 +0000

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>To: "UFO UpDates - Toronto" <<updates@globalserve.net>

>>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 13:48:35 +0100

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>>From: John Joseph Mercieca <<mufor@maltanet.net>

>>Subject: UFO photo or artist's impression?

>>I've just been sent the attached image that is supposedly a photo

>>of a UFO taken in Florida in February.

>>It looks to me that the "photo" is really an artist's impression

>>of a triangular ufo. I'd be glad if anyone with any graphics

>>knowledge could take a look at it and comment on whether it is

>>really a photo or not.

Ralf writes,

>Hi John,

>the attached jpeg is neither a photograph nor an 'artist's
impression'-

>it's something made up in Photoshop with the help of a couple of

>filters and plug-ins ('lens flare'...grin).

Re: UFO photo or artist's impression?

>It's not even done good, not even a piece of art...sorry. The more
>I think about it: it's awful. Disgusting. Terrible. Most unfortunate.

>Gee...

>Cheers,
>Ralf

John Velez wrote:

<excerpt>>Hiya John & Ralf,
>I concur Ralf! Photoshop 4.0 to be precise. Although (as artwork)
> I think it's pretty cool! As a 'hoax attempt' it's piss-poor.

>John Velez, Happy Mac owner

</excerpt>

Yup... Tis true.... One more vote for Photoshop lens flairs.

How many more would ya like <<Grin>

Russ Estes

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Of Linda's Jeans, Time & Tide

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Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 19:16:57 -0500
Subject: Of Linda's Jeans, Time & Tide

Correct me if I am wrong here or delusional but one of the things that has always bothered me about this case is the photos of Linda running on the beach. As I reread the story she runs down to the beach to get away from Dan with her jeans and blouse on under the night gown set he had her put on. At this point (page 127) she should still be dry. Dan comes up behind her and he catches her making her fall to the sand. He holds her and rocks her, kissing her and then smears sand on her face. He then drags her on her stomach across the beach. He removes her jeans (page 128) and throws them down the beach 10 feet away from the water. He begins kissing her again and drags her to the water immersing her head repeatedly. She eventually breaks free and wades onto the beach and collapses on the wet sand. Dan sits down behind her and holds her again. Richard appears on the scene on page 129 and rescues Linda and her jeans and returns the pair to the beach house where Linda is eventually taken back home.

On page 132 we find out that Dan had taken five color pictures of Linda running toward the beach after her escape and obviously before he takes off after her. Richard sends these photos to Budd with his letter.

One page 141 Budd talks about taking Linda back out on Long Island to try to determine where she had been. His theory is that because you cannot see Fire Island in the photograph then it must have been further east than that, possibly Quoque, Hampton Bays, or the Hamptons.

Here are my problems:

1) In the second picture of Linda running on the beach, we see quite a bit of sand with typical ripples indicating that it is underwater at high tide. This sand is dry as evidenced by the mounds. As we go toward the ocean there is wetter sand and the impressions in the sand confirm this. As there is so much sand exposed, it appears to be at or near low tide. We know that since Linda was abducted after 11:00 AM and returned by 2:30PM that we have a time period of 3 and 1/2 hours to play with. Assuming that it took an hour to get to this point (the trip, the dressing of Linda, the breakdown of Dan) it should have been between 12:00-1:30 PM when Linda hit the beach to escape and if so this photo is all wrong for the area Budd was searching. According to the New York Times on October 15th, high tide was at

Shinnock Inlet	12:35AM	12:59PM
Fire Island	12:46AM	1:10PM
Montauk Point	2:26AM	2:30PM

This takes care of the whole area from Fire Is. east. The Hamptons and Quoque would have been under water right up to the high water mark. Low tides would have been at approximately:

Shinnock Inlet	6:35AM	6:59PM
Fire Island	6:46AM	7:10PM
Montauk Point	8:26 AM	8:30PM

This picture, if shot on October 15, 1991, was shot later in the afternoon as the tide was still going out.

2) There should have been minimal to no shadows between the hours of 12:00-1:30. Both photos show shadows longer than would be expected for this time period. The direction of the shadows also appear to be wrong since the sun should have been close to overhead. They are to the left in both pictures and if she is on the ocean side of the Island, she should be facing south...That would make it late in the afternoon when the photos were shot.

3) She certainly appears to me to be jeanless in both photos. Jeans, even if they are pulled up, tend to fall down as one runs. This gown was supposed to have been sheer and something she wouldn't wear because of her children. If it was that sheer (we are dealing with white remember) we should be seeing her jeans through the gown. It's only one layer of SHEER material, the robe is flying in the breeze. Where are her jeans? Maybe in the color photos the jeans are evident, but in the picture on top the gown is pressed against her thighs and there's no seam lines, pocket lines, nothing.

4) The five photos were in color but our copies in the book are in black and white and it's hard to see but the sky does appear to be overcast which would be correct. However, the waves should have been 3-6 feet on the ocean side of Long Island (again this is from the New York Times). They are not nearly that high in these photos.

5) Is it possible to have been abducted after 11:00 AM, driven indirectly out to the Hamptons or Quogue (at least 50 miles one way assuming they took the expressway-this according to Rand McNally's Long Island map), done all that they did, and have Linda back in her apartment by 2:30 PM calling Budd?

Maybe I am making mountains out of mole hills and I am truly open to any ideas, but I have a hard time with these photos. And if the photos are not authentic then one has to wonder about the rest of the evidence and lack thereof.

Pam

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Re: 'Saucer Smear', March 20, 1997 - excerpts

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>Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 17:15:10 +0200
>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: 'Saucer Smear', March 20, 1997 - excerpts

>Excerpts From: The March 20, 1997 issue of
>'Saucer Smear' at:

><http://www.mcs.com/~kvg/smear/v44/ss970320.htm>

>Dr. Steven Greer of CSETI (Center for the Study of
>Extraterrestrial Intelligence) continues to rave about the fact
>that, not having heard anything back from his many letters to
>various government officials & agencies, he is going ahead with
>his plan to have a conclave of knowledgeable UFO witnesses who
>will testify in public about their experiences. This will be "in
>the early Spring of 1997". These people - unnamed - are free to
>violate their security oaths or anything else, as far as Greer is
>concerned. Sounds interesting. ...

For my money, Steven Greer can go piss up a pole. He's delayed this
wonderous revelation twice already, and so I'm sorry, but he's a bad
poker player with nothing in his hand.....
The only thing that REALLY hacks me off, is the fact that the esteemed
Doctor is still sitting on the video of the Scottish flying triangle
taken late last year.

Jakes Louw

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Mars Lander Mission

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March 25, 1997

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SPACE SCIENCE AND HUMAN SPACE FLIGHT ENTERPRISES
AGREE TO JOINT ROBOTIC MARS LANDER MISSION

In a cooperative activity intended to advance scientific knowledge and help lay the groundwork for a future decision on whether to send humans to Mars, NASA's Space Science and Human Exploration and Development of Space (HEDS) enterprises have agreed to jointly fund and manage two robotic missions to Mars due for launch in 2001.

"For the first time since the 1960s, NASA's space science and human space flight programs are cooperating directly on the exploration of another planetary body," said Dr. Wesley T. Huntress Jr., NASA associate administrator for space science. "Mars is a challenging destination for any type of spacecraft to reach, and it makes a great deal of sense for us to pursue the maximum possible return of knowledge from any chance to go there."

"This joint effort is a sign that NASA is acquiring the information that will be needed for a national decision, perhaps in a decade or so, on whether or not to send humans to Mars," said Wilbur Trafton, associate administrator for space flight. "Early in the next century, once the International Space Station is deployed and operating, the question of our next major goal in human space flight will come up. This partnership is a major step toward ensuring that we have the information needed to answer that question."

NASA intends to launch two separate spacecraft to Mars, a small orbiter and a small lander, in March and April 2001, respectively.

The Mars Surveyor 2001 Lander will deliver a small, advanced technology rover capable of traveling several tens of miles across the Martian highlands. The rover will be able to collect rock and soil samples for later return to Earth by a future robotic mission.

Under the new internal NASA agreement, the 2001 Lander will now also be a platform for instruments and technology experiments designed to provide key insights to decisions regarding successful and cost-effective human missions to Mars. Hardware on the lander will be used for an in-situ demonstration test of rocket propellant production using gases in the Martian atmosphere. Other equipment will characterize the planet's soil properties and surface radiation environment.

"Before we can send humans into deep space, we need to

understand the nature of the space environment and its effect on living systems," said Arnauld Nicogossian, M.D., acting associate administrator for life and microgravity sciences. "The Mars 2001 mission will give us invaluable information about the radiation environment of space and the surface on Mars."

Analyses of Martian dust and soil are necessary to understand any interactions with the systems currently planned that will supply the habitation and working environment for future human explorers.

A companion mission to the lander known as the Mars Surveyor 2001 Orbiter will be launched in March 2001. The 2001 Orbiter will be the first to use the atmosphere of Mars to slow down and directly capture the spacecraft into orbit, in a technique called aerocapture. The scientific objectives of the mission are to conduct mineralogical mapping of the entire planet and characterize its orbital radiation environment. The 2001 Orbiter also will carry a radio relay to support the lander and a possible Russian robotic rover mission.

The preliminary cost estimate for both integrated missions is approximately \$311 million, not including launch costs. An integrated team of the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL), Pasadena, CA; the Johnson Space Center, Houston, TX; and Lockheed Martin Astronautics, Denver, will develop the missions, led by JPL.

Both of the 2001 missions are part of an ongoing NASA series of robotic Mars exploration spacecraft that began with the launches of the Mars Global Surveyor orbiter and the Mars Pathfinder lander in November and December 1996, respectively. Mars Pathfinder and its 25-pound rover, named Sojourner, will land on Mars in a region called Ares Vallis on July 4, 1997.

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Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario (More Info)

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Date: Tue, 25 Mar 97 09:46:46 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 20:37:55 -0500
Subject: Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario (More Info)

Date: Mon, 24 Mar 1997 16:54:14 -0500
From: Jennifer Jarvis <jarvis@globalserve.net>
To: updates@globalserve.net
Subject: LAKE ONTARIO

>This is further to my posting of Saturday night's events
>regarding the orange spheres over Lake Ontario.

The description of these orbs as brilliant gold or orange is identical to descriptions given here in Arizona and in California. One couple told me they had been seeing these for a number of years but did not know what to make of them. They videotaped the recent sighting of these orbs near the Estrella Mountains south of Phoenix from a vantage point in Moon Valley on March 13th.

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton

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Alfred's Odd Ode #116

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Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 20:44:31 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #116

Apology to MW #116 (For March 25, 1997)

The Alien View says we don't have a clue. . .
We imbue our scared lives with some pattern.
We find one in Gulf Breeze, there time a too quick sneeze,
. . .To my knowledge no visits from Saturn.

"We don't have a clue. . ." What's my meaning '96 this view?
What's this poet on about now?
So, was it conclusive, or did I find it abusive?
Did anything wrinkle my brow?

The speakers provided what they had decided
Was a worth while hash of old stew.
They validated, or affirmed, some dodged and some squirmed
But there was no revelation '96 nothing new.

A remarkable standout was Dr. O'Leary
And his Lapis Pig a standout device.
The former was an impassioned charmer,
The latter later fractured skeptic ice.

Free Energy is filled with a synergy, says he,
That the '91man' disallows, disavows.
Power from *air* would empty his pockets '96
Would deplete all his barges and scows.

The science says "zero-point" has potential;
The evidence is more than inferential;
The peer review is consequential;
Some folks involved are influential. . .

The point? . . .That there IS a free lunch at nature's table!
The point? . . .That the kingdom IS, truly, here at hand!
The point? . . .That we're enslaved by grid zone power!
The point? . . .We still labor for our Manor Lord; we're broken by the
'91man's!

Another point he made? Well, we own our government!
We will tell it what to do, and where to spend!
Better vote those sons of bitches from their stronghold!
Until then we see the gub-mint ain't no friend!

We'll oversee the photos of the Mars face!
If the damn thing ever gets there, that's to say!
But the record's been occluded on all those Mars probes. . .
Some hope the next one goes "tits up"! I've heard them pray!

Whitley Strieber came the closest in admission.
He said our mindset is our shackle, and our curse.
Our watchers are offended at our program.
Our watchers could see us better, but of course they see what's worst.

Attendees, at the conference, wore their sweatshirts
With leering aliens from the minds of jaded man.
They toured the money changing tables in the temple
They sacrificed hard earned money on Brown's lamb. . .

Chuck Shrameck took a hit not deserved and un-called for,
For opening up the worm can late last year.

For pointing up the strangeness of that COMET,
For pointing out it=92s silence science feared!

I=92m glad that Chuck was there to shout a warning!
I want the option to have heard from him again!
But the panel put the ki-bosh on his service.
And that panel should straddle thumbs, and take a spin!

But to hell with all that, let=92s drive back to the real question!
What consumes us, and misleads us, and is all misdirection?=20
What=92s important, mind absorbent, about the Hollywood stars?
It keeps alien=92s away, still, we=92ll watch the Oscars!=20
=20

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

Another factor of the Gulf Breeze conference that deserved verse was
the staff. . . =20

One will question the veracity of a group of individuals fronting an
event "catering to the new-age fringe crazies". . .what is their
motivation. . . what is their payoff. . .what is their angle?=20

The media will paint them as sociopathic opportunists, quick to make a
buck at the expense of the gullible, and laughing out of the corners of
their mouths. The government would warn that they are agents of
instability, and otherwise irresponsible regarding national security;
or even agents of misinformation by hostile agents (with no grounds
for grievance). The Church would warn against false gods, and falser
prophets found at these satanic and <UFO cult> <witch coven> <generic
abomination> profane gatherings.

What the alien view discovers is a collection of well meaning ,open
minded, and genuine people who are tired of the prevaricating
mainstream. They have taken the only steps remaining open to them in a
try for clarity. The media FAILS, the government FAILS, and the Church=20
(science?) FAILS to provide the clarity sought. These good people
provide their best shot at unmasking what the hell is going on in our
enigmatic world. They are harassed, and intimidated by black federal
authorities, have overcome natural disaster, and daily show the courage
of, if not titans, then certainly the best in what is human =96 God bless
=91em for the service they provide; they are all we have! =20

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
fundamentalist's stake. Vicki Lyons would line up Nicolo Tesla as a
replacement speaker.

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Major UFO Alert in UK?

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Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 21:26:58 -0500
Subject: Major UFO Alert in UK?

Dear Colleagues,

This is a news-breaking story which has been developing all day (Tuesday 25 March).

Last night (Monday 24 March) between 9.30pm and 9.50pm, three independent reports were received by South Yorkshire Police of an aircraft in trouble, apparently flying low circular patterns close to the Hope Forest and Marjorie Hill [sic] which borders South Yorkshire and North Derbyshire. One member of the public told police they heard a loud explosion. This was close to the Ladybower [sic] reservoir on the A57 Snake Pass road. (This reservoir is famous for its use in training the 'Dambuster' teams of WWII).

The Police Press office have been inundated with telephone calls all day following media announcements as early as 6.15am this morning. Seven mountain rescue teams were called out from South Yorkshire & Derbyshire. No aircraft has been reported missing and no wreckage found. The search has now been called off.

Members of the public observed two Sea King helicopters hovering over the area, and there were reports of at least six military aircraft in the region. According to one witness, these were in pursuit of a UFO.

Around this same time, dozens of eye-witnesses in Wigan, Lancashire (most out to observe Comet Hale-Bopp) observed a huge flying triangle overhead. At Baildon Moor, Shipley, West Yorkshire, a flight of military jets were seen in close formation heading West over the Pennines into Lancashire.

The phones have not stopped ringing all day and I would be interested to discover if colleagues have been likewise engaged. Teams are making their way to the area this evening to liaise with other researchers to acquire more information.

Best regards,

Graham W. Birdsall [Editor]

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Hubble Upgrade Results

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HUBBLE SPACE TELESCOPE CHECK-OUT FINDS SUCCESSES, CONCERNS

The Servicing Mission Observatory Verification (SMOV) for NASA's Hubble Space Telescope (HST), currently about halfway through its detailed check-out prior to returning to scientific operations, has found Hubble in overall excellent health, with seven of the eight components replaced or installed during the servicing mission functioning very well to date. However, a few concerns with one of the science instruments are being evaluated.

"The Hubble Space Telescope is checking out extremely well overall, and the few anomalies we see give us no reason to believe we will not be able to meet all our scientific goals," said Dr. Ed Weiler, HST Program Scientist, NASA Headquarters, Washington, DC.

"I'm very impressed that in just the few weeks since the servicing mission, we've already seen Hubble take the best images of Mars ever obtained from Earth's distance. Every observatory commissioning encounters some problems, but we're on track to clear up all our remaining concerns. That's good news for the many, many astronomers who are lined up for observing time on Hubble."

Earlier this month science observations with the Wide Field and Planetary Camera-2 resumed, and on March 10 the science team obtained images of Mars. Also, further optimization and alignment of the mirrors in the new Fine Guidance Sensor (FGS), installed during the servicing mission, were completed with excellent results following its first star observation. Project management officials say it's clearly the best FGS aboard HST.

Commissioning of the new Space Telescope Imaging Spectrograph (STIS) has proceeded very well, according to project officials. In the coming two weeks team members will test the instrument's ability to acquire targets in the narrow slits. Once this is demonstrated, the instrument will be ready to begin science operations.

Checkout of the Near Infrared Camera and Multi-

Object Spectrometer (NICMOS), installed during the second servicing mission, has provided both excellent results and some areas of concern.

The NICMOS, designed to observe the universe in near-infrared light, contains three cameras and a set of highly advanced light sensors which must be maintained at a very cold temperature -- nominally 58 degrees Kelvin (-355 degrees Fahrenheit). These sensors, along with filters and other components, are housed in a large cryogenic dewar (a high-technology insulated bottle filled with about 225 lbs of solid nitrogen embedded in aluminum foam).

The NICMOS Principal Investigator, Dr. Rodger Thompson, University of Arizona, said NICMOS high resolution cameras 1 and 2 have shown excellent images in preliminary focus tests. However, these tests also show that camera 3 focus is currently beyond the range of the NICMOS internal mechanical adjustment capability. Analysis indicates the situation may be due to unexpected thermal contact in the dewar, which results in a slightly warmer cryogen temperature and a subsequent reduction of dewar lifetime.

The most likely explanation is that as the solid nitrogen warms up it expands, and exerts pressure on the internal structure of the dewar. This expansion resulted in an unwanted physical contact between two internal structural components of the dewar, providing a pathway for excess heat to travel from the warmer outer structure of the dewar to its colder internal parts, warming the solid nitrogen to a higher than desired operating temperature. This expansion also is affecting the performance of Camera 3.

The analysis team expects that the thermal contact might release in the future, returning NICMOS to its nominal state. Under these conditions, analysts predict that camera 3 should move back into the instrument's range of focus. Rearrangement of the NICMOS observing schedule could allow the full implementation of the NICMOS science program.

It will take several weeks or months for team engineers to be able to determine for certain the amount of reduction in the lifetime of the cryogen; however, the reduction can be compensated for by rearrangement of observing schedules.

Current plans call for SMOV activities to continue for the next few weeks with results of the Early Release Observation program available in early May.

During the STS-82 HST Second Servicing Mission in February, astronauts aboard the Space Shuttle Discovery replaced two older science instruments aboard Hubble with STIS and NICMOS, and also replaced a Fine Guidance Sensor, a Reaction Wheel Assembly, a Data Interface Unit, a Solar Array Drive Electronics package, an Engineering/Science Tape Recorder, and a Solid State Recorder. In addition, the astronauts performed other maintenance on the observatory, including patching of some insulation and installing covers on the Magnetic Sensing System.

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Ninth Annual Ozark UFO Conference

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Subject: Ninth Annual Ozark UFO Conference

Please distribute this information far and wide.

The Ninth Annual Ozark UFO Conference will be held in Eureka Springs, Arkansas, on April 11, 12 and 13. Events will include speakers, AV presentations, panel discussions and vendors. Registration is \$ 35 in advance or \$ 40 at the door.

Featured speakers this year will include Ted Phillips, Wendelle Stevens, Dolores Cannon, Robert Stone, Linda Moulton Howe, Joe Lewels, Antonio Huneus, Forest Crawford, John Carpenter, Bob Shell and others.

Additional information can be obtained by calling Lou Farrish at (501) 354-2558, or by mail at #2 Caney Valley Road, Plumerville, AR 72127-8725.

The conference will be at the Inn of the Ozarks, and room reservations can be made by calling (501) 253-9768. Mention the conference for special room rates of \$ 42.00 single or \$ 46.00 double.

I attended this conference last year and found it fascinating and the best of the ones I have attended in the USA. Attendees are sure to have a good time and learn a lot.

Bob Shell

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Interview with Philip Corso shown at Knapp Lecture

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Subject: Interview with Philip Corso shown at Knapp Lecture

George Knapp was the featured speaker at Las Vegas MUFON last night (3/24/97). He discussed claimed government insider Philip Corso and showed portions of an interview he had with him. The following is my best recollection of Knapp's talk and the video he showed. (It is a mixture of what I heard Corso say on the tape and what Knapp recounted Corso saying. It is a bit sketchy, I know, because this is based only on my memory of Knapp's short talk and the several interview clips shown.)

Knapp said he had been sitting on his Corso material for 5 or 6 years, but since Corso's book was due soon and Corso's claims were now being discussed on the internet, Knapp felt he could talk about it.

Knapp says he was first tipped about Corso by Mark Sauter, who is now a reporter for American Journal & Inside Edition. Sauter had interviewed Corso regarding POWs in the Korean War when he happened to mention UFOs and Corso began to recount some stories.

Apparently, this is the first time interviews with Corso regarding his UFO claims have been shown in public. The interviews showed a frail looking man in his 70s. His speech is somewhat rambling and hard to follow. This is not the Philip Corso I had pictured. (Somehow, I had envisioned a stronger, younger man.) He reminds me of "Jarod 2", whose claims I reported in the Desert Rat. He had a similar style of speech (logical to him perhaps but hard to follow by the rest of us) and a similar unnerving tendency to mix things he had directly experienced with things he read later in the UFO literature. (In the tape, Corso mentions cattle mutilations and talked about Zecharia Sitchin and the Sumerians -- things he does not claim to have had official access to.) It was unclear when the interview took place, but it was apparently when Knapp was working for Altamira several years ago. Knapp says he had arranged for Corso to come to Las Vegas to be interviewed, but he didn't arrive. Corso is apparently under the control of a literary agent.

Knapp said Corso's credentials are "impeccable," although the UFO claims themselves can not be proven. Knapp gave the sequence of events in Corso's career: Among other things, he was an artillery officer in WWII, was trained by British Intelligence and was a battalion commander at White Sands Missile Range. Somewhere around 1960, he worked for "C.E. Jackson" at the White House.<P>

Later, between 1961 and 1963, he worked for General Trudeau (I didn't catch the first name.) in the Foreign Intelligence Division. Trudeau is apparently the only one who could verify this story, and Corso said he had been dead 2-3 years (at the time of the interview).

The Foreign Technology Division had the responsibility of analyzing both "foreign" technology (i.e. Soviet) and "alien" technology, apparently from UFO crashes. Corso's role was the writing of "proposals" for how alien material should be handled -- typically sent to government and contractor labs for analysis. The contractors didn't know what they were getting and assumed it was "foreign", not "alien." The alien technology, Corso insists, was incorporated into human technology, including things like computer chips and night vision goggles.

An alien "ship" went to Bell Labs and from there to Rockwell.

Night vision technology came somehow from the covering over the

alien eye.

While in his position with Trudeau, Corso was privy to information about at least one alien autopsy, which took place at Walter Reed Hospital. Corso has seen the Santilli alien autopsy, and says the alien was very similar.

Corso says the Roswell incident was real.

Corso apparently has never worked at Area 51, and he seemed to have no information about it when he was queried by Knapp.

Corso said on the tape that he didn't think there was a UFO cover-up. There didn't have to be, because the UFO buffs discredited themselves.

Corso left his position with Trudeau when Trudeau retired from the military to work for a defense contractor, and the office was dissolved.

Corso doesn't seem to know the "big picture," only his part of it. He made "proposals" to Trudeau, but it was Trudeau who implemented them.

Complicating Corso's story is his claim of direct alien encounters before he became involved in this program. (Knapp acknowledges that this coincidence is going to be fuel for critics.) Corso apparently had two encounters at White Sands Missile Range in the 1950s, both when he was alone.

In one, he was on some kind of assignment in a remote area of desert "past Trinity site." It wasn't clear to me how the encounter started, but on the tape Corso described standing in the desert as a craft appeared and disappeared repeatedly. He placed a rock and some sagebrush in the place where he thought the craft would reappear, and when the craft again appeared and disappeared, the rock and sagebrush were crushed. At one point, he put his hand on the side of the craft and found that it was cold. This was a great surprise to him, since it was 110 degrees in the desert around him. Corso got scared and tried to drive away. (He seemed to be concerned that the craft might reappear where he happened to be.) As he did, the compass he had started spinning, and the car motor died. When the craft lifted off, it turned on its side and then vanished.

In the other encounter, Corso was exploring a cave or mine, apparently in the White Sands complex. He went there, he said, because that's where animals went to drink, and you could watch them at the mouth of the cave. While inside the cave Corso was approached by an alien. (Knapp showed a video clip in which Corso displayed a drawing of the alien, which appeared to be your standard "gray".) Corso asked, "Friend or Foe," and the alien replied, telepathically, "Neither." The alien had only one request for Corso, that he turn off his radar for 10 minutes. Corso asked why, and the alien replied with something cryptic. (I forget the quote.) It wasn't clear to me what the radar was for or where it was in relation to the cave, but Corso complied with the request.

According to Knapp, the title of Corso's forthcoming book is "The Day After Roswell." It is scheduled to be released in July to coincide with the Roswell 50th Anniversary. Knapp said the publisher was making claims for the book which didn't really match Corso's -- that it was going to reveal all about the Roswell case, for example -- and this was being used as ammunition by critics.

Corso's previous book was on POWs in Korea. He claims some POWs were taken to the Soviet Union. (I'd like to get ahold of this book, at least to see how Corso thinks and how credible his earthly claims are.)

I recall that Daniel Fry made some fantastic claims about White Sands in his 1954 book, White Sands Incident. I wonder how his and Corso's claims compare.

The Ufomind link page for Corso is:
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/c/corso/>

For Fry it is <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/people/f/fry/>

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Similar UFO incidents?

From: Bryan XXXX <XXXX.XXX>
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Subject: Similar UFO incidents?

During the past few months I have witnessed two rather peculiar sightings of strange, albeit similar, unidentified objects in two different parts of the country. These are the only two UFO "sightings" that I have witnessed ever in my life, so I wanted to see if any persons on the List had seen anything that is similar.

The first incident took place in Billings Montana in January at around 11pm. I was outside trying to start a car when I noticed that two orange/red lights were motionless (at least what appeared to be) above two trees in the yard. I knew that these lights shouldn't be there so I checked for a closer look. After about 15 seconds they started to move diagonally in the sky and then took the form of three or four deep red lights in a circle each. They were in formation, perfect formation, that is. That was the strange thing about them--they moved so perfect in formation together it was if they were part of the same craft (although I am certain that they were separate). They moved slower than any aircraft could at that altitude (about 500 feet or more?) without making ANY sound as they did. I watched them pass over me and "glide" right over the airport and off over the horizon. The lights were the strange thing...they weren't "bright" like typical aircraft lights. They were bright but didn't light up the air around them (if that makes any sense, the best way to describe them, though). I watched the lights closely and they seemed, to the best of my observation, to flicker on and off.

Just last night, here in Durham, NC, I came out of my school's library and noticed a orangeish light about 30 degrees off of the northeastern horizon. It was motionless, and for some reason I took the time to observe it (there are numerous planes in the local airspace due to the presence of RDU airport nearby). Suddenly it changed shape and dimmed really low to a sort of faint dark red color and I could barely see it as it slowly moved diagonally in the sky. It started to move upward (I have never seen a conventional aircraft do such a thing in this manner) and then after about 10 seconds changed shape again into a series of reddish and blue? lights. These lights were similar if not exactly like the ones from the previous encounter. In fact, there was another airplane in the sky at the time (it made the noise, although it was much farther away) and I guess the way to describe the UFO lights was that they did not have any "glare" around them. The lights were really wierd, seemed to change a lot as the thing passed overhead. A really smooth flight path, if that makes any sense at all. I watched the thing until it moved off beyond my view over the horizon.

Now, do any of you feel that these were legitimate UFO sightings? Have any of you seen other things similar to the ones I have just described? Just an addition, the lights were very small, and seemed like large pin points of colored light. Wierd stuff, nonetheless.

Similar UFO incidents?

I would appreciate any feedback if possible.

Bryan

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Rockets To Collect Data on Comet

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Subject: Rockets To Collect Data on Comet

Rockets To Collect Data on Comet

By EDUARDO MONTES

WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, N.M. (AP) - Scientists are firing four arrow-like rockets beyond the outer reaches of the atmosphere to help solve the mysteries of the Hale-Bopp comet and possibly yield clues about the birth of the universe.

Each carrying a different set of instruments, the suborbital rockets set for launch over the next two weeks will collect data on the comet's composition, including gas emissions and dust particles, which could tell scientists Hale-Bopp's age and origin. The first was to be launched Monday night.

Telescopic equipment that can provide a clearer picture than possible from Earth are designed to parachute back onto the missile range shortly after takeoff.

The rockets won't reach orbit - the highest will only go 240 miles high and provide only five minutes of data - but scientists hope the encounter with Hale-Bopp will bring back information they could never get otherwise.

``When we're studying the comets like this, we're getting some real clues about what conditions were like at the formation of the universe. It's like a time machine going back 4 billion years,'' said Alan Hale, one of two men who discovered the comet and who was to be on hand for the launch Monday.

Hale-Bopp, roughly three to four times bigger than Halley's comet, is one of the largest comets ever cataloged, with a tail estimated at 10 million to 20 million miles in length. It last passed Earth about 4,000 years ago.

If the telescopic images do show that the comet contains the noble gases neon and argon, they could help determine where and when the comet was formed because the gases only form under certain conditions, said James Green, the University of Colorado astronomer conducting the experiment.

Green said it could take several months to analyze data from the experiment, which he said would provide only a small piece of the total universe puzzle.

``It is not going to happen in our lifetime that we are going to get the final answer,'' said Green. ``But we are making progress.''

Each experiment is loaded on a two-stage Black Brant sounding rocket, a slender craft with guidance fins that resemble the tail of a dart. The launches cost about \$1 million each.

The NASA-funded launches continue Tuesday with an experiment by the University of Wisconsin to examine dust particles. The San Antonio-based Southwest Research Institute will launch a rocket Saturday, and Johns Hopkins University will follow April 5.

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Re: EL/TST

From: **Jerry Cohen** <rjcohen@li.net>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 22:41:23 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

JC: To the list: I apologize for this long post. Just felt it necessary to respond here.

This post is best read at UFO UpDates Instant Archive now available at <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates>

>From: DevereuxP@aol.com
>Date: Sun, 23 Mar 1997 07:40:53 -0500 (EST)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: EL/TST
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>>Date: Sun, 16 Mar 1997 09:00:06 -0500
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>>From: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST
>

>On 16 March, Jerry Cohen made an extensive posting so full of
>'attitude' that I can't really be bothered to respond in full.
>But I will pick up on a few points he made, just to show willing.

JC: Must have been my recovery from the flu, but the points I made were quite valid nonetheless. I'm just not used to having someone on our mail list making so many statements without providing the proof we usually like to see to fully back up what they are saying.

>>JC: Paul, I'm sure I've missed something here. Did you say you
>>have proof that particular light that was "on-off"/"here-gone-here"
>>was an "earth light." Could you possibly point the members of
>>this list directly to this information? Is it on the NET. I am
>>interested in seeing this.

>No - I didn't say we have proof, we have evidence.

JC: Evidence that it may be so, but no direct proof as of yet. But we do need proof for you to make a solid statement regarding this. Otherwise, it is just your thoughts as to what you think it might be. Mind you, I am not saying you are wrong, but rather you can't say it with authority and we can't accept it "until you have this proof and we can see it too." This list has a lot of sticklers, both skeptics and believers alike; and excellent many of them are, I might add. You may not have seen enough correspondence here to really realize this yet.

>I discuss the
>matter in some length in EARTH LIGHTS REVELATION (1989/90.).
>A case of this is also described in the Final Technical Report of
>Project Hessdalen. This, like so much, is not on the literature
>circuit of American ufology. Don't blame me, blame the publishers
>and the attitudes and interests their market research people
>perceive in U.S. ufology..

JC: I guess you're powerless to help us out? Providing anyone with something they could scan in electronically for evaluation? Anything of that sort? Something solid to bolster your statements with?

>As for the Net - the longer I look, the less I see that is
>worthwhile from a ufological standpoint, to be quite honest with
>you.

JC: This is amazing. The entire Internet and not much on it "worthwhile from a ufological standpoint." I guess you mean including this mail list?

I believe the real question here is "Have you actually read what is there?". When an excellent case is offered for your comment(s) you shun this. (Sorry for the redundancy here folks!)
Exeter 1/2 <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/jan/m26-010.shtml>
Exeter 2/2 <http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/jan/m26-008.shtml>

When material from 25 years of in-depth research is offered for your perusal, you do not respond. i.e. <http://www.li.net/~rjcohen>

A website on the life of Dr. James McDonald and his research at: http://www.primenet.com/~bdzeiler/papers_e.htm is apparently of no interest to you.

Gleaning possible insights regarding where cases may be occurring from National UFO Reporting Center at: <http://www.nwlink.com/~ufocntr> so one might be able to check this information against his data. Totally useless from a ufological standpoint? I think not.

>In any event, don't shun good old-fashioned books and that wonderful >democratic institution, the library.

JC: Paul, exactly what was it that we said that makes you think we shun the library? If you'd looked at my research (as well as at the research of others on this list), you might have noticed that the library, amongst other things, was an essential part of it.

>> JC:...If you had "little chancesnip....
>>to check the matter," how could you have determined that this
>>green light was an "earth light" [at Mexico City airport]?

>I obviously didn't make myself clear. I meant that there have
>been few cases where we can check the effect of radar on EL. But
>I gave you the best quick summary I could. As for the Mexican
>air traffic people, my colleagues and I went into their sightings
>quite fully with them, have no fear.

JC: And how did you determine what was seen there was an "earth light" and not something else?

....snip....

>>JC: When you get it [radar tapes], I for one would be happy
>>to see it. I'm sure others would as well.

>You and me both. (You have the training, expertise and
>facilities to study such material, I assume?)

JC: I, myself personally? Unfortunately not. But, believe it or not, there may be some on this mailing list who might have the necessary qualifications. And, if not, I'd at least like to read the final report. Believe it or not, I am qualified to read english and am capable of asking questions of others if and when I reach any portions I might not thoroughly understand.

>>JC: Again, many of us have never said there are no such things
>>as earth lights...

>I'm glad to hear it.

>>...but, the person(s) studying them has to 1) prove they are
>>"earth lights" and not something else.... <snip>

>Well, I could say that *you* have to prove they *are* something
>else!

JC: You are missing the point. I am not the one making the statements and claiming to be able to explain all UFO phenomena by studying nocturnal lights. This cannot be claimed without conclusive proof, confirmable by others, to back it up. I believe most people would find this logical.

>It cuts both ways. In truth, all any of us can do
>is acquire the best evidence we can, and be prepared to drop our
>pet beliefs if the evidence isn't forthcoming.

JC: Absolutely.

....snip....

>>JC: And did you capture this [golden lights seen by PD in
>>Cornwall] on film for others to view?

>No, my old son, I didn't. I wasn't out skywatching when these
>phenomena were seen - I was nearing the end of a 350-mile drive,
>and it was around midnight. There were two adults and one child
>witness with me, though. One of these did have a snapshot camera,
>and she took a pic but it didn't come out. Sorry!

JC: Again, how did you know these were "earth lights?" You stated
it was "nearing the end of a 350-mile drive, and it was around
midnight." You had to be just a little tired. Did they move in a
particular pattern? Was it apparent random motion? Apparent organized
motion? So, how did you know it was "earth lights" and not something
else? Was this in a TS area?

>However, we *have* got some pix from sessions where we deliberately
>studied areas for EL. Some will be shown in UFOs & UFOLOGY when
>it comes out later this year.

>>JC: And you've proven conclusively that light [at Barmouth,
>>1905] was an "earth light?" May we see that proof? Again, we'd
>>be quite interested and impressed.

>What do you consider as 'proof'? How many UFO sightings do you
>consider have been 'proven'?

JC: Actually, what I'm trying to find out is what you consider
proof in specific cases. You still haven't answered this. However, in
answer to your question: At the minimum, Kirtland AFB, a Blue Book
case researched by both the Condon Study and Dr. James McDonald. It's
located at: (7b & 7c are the actual case & analysis)

* O/C rebuttal: part 7a
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m06-025.shtml>

* O/C rebuttal: part 7b
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m06-027.shtml>

* O/C rebuttal: part 7c
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m06-026.shtml>

and probably:

* O/C rebuttal: part 2 (SKYTHING 1960)
<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/feb/m05-021.shtml>

The last one was the case you didn't have time to comment on.
(The shortest of all. That's why I suggested it originally.)

>Have you not read the reports on this case [Barmouth, 1905]? Have
>you not read EARTH LIGHTS REVELATION on it?

JC: As I said we'd really like to read this. We may need your help
obtaining it. You, yourself, stated it is not available.

>> AUGUST 5, 1981 National Enquirer:...<snip.

>Is this your idea of 'proof' (of anything)? I grow uneasy that
>your reading seems to be on the Net and in the National Enquirer...

JC: You can rest your "uneasiness." Some of the research I've
performed over the 25 years has demonstrated a solidity to some of the
UFO cases which appeared therein, especially at the time a panel of
UFO groups, including Dr. J. Allen Hynek, NICAP and APRO were
reviewing cases at the time of submission. I can demonstrate this more
than adequately, but you probably don't have the time to read it or
would possibly rather read that than read the Exeter case and comment
on it with regards to your theories. Remember, I asked this first.

>> <snip>....Landrum can't tell an "earth light" from a UFO or a
>>diamond from a sphere. It's those darn hallucinations. They get
>>you every time. Did I hear you say there were fault lines in the
>>vicinity?

>Huh? Come again, Jerry?

JC: You heard (read) me correctly. You are casting doubts on
someone's ability to tell an "earth light" from a UFO which they
witness at close range (for an approximate 15 minute period) or a
diamond from a sphere. I'm not 100% positive they would make this

mistake. Additionally, I was asking whether there were major fault lines in the vicinity. Since you commented on the case, I assume you've checked this out.

>>And the beeps? Earth lights beep too, right? I'm sure you've
>>recorded this somewhere.

>I have done a survey of sounds associated with EL, yes. Haven't
>you read that? A version is in EARTH LIGHTS REVELATION....snip....

JC: Since we cannot easily obtain the article you mentioned, could you just tell us, since it is your survey, if some of those sounds were beeps? Were they regular? Irregular? How long did they continue? How much data did you get on this?

JC:snip....

>> And I must have forgotten that gravity pushes plasmas into a
>>"diamond shape." Maybe it's my rotten human perception that does
>>this. I'll have to go back and check this out.

>>From the sounds of it, you'd better check *something* out, that's
>>for sure....

JC: You've skirted the point I was trying to make. I and others want to see proof and pictures of these various shapes and how you proved they were earthlights. How long did the diamond shape you recorded hold its shape? This is important. If Landrum claimed it kept that shape for a specific period of time, we could ask if the two times correlate or not.

>>JC: [Bentwaters]... must be just like the Belgium case where
>>it got _repelled_ from the front part of the plane that was diving
>>trying to catch it after it got computerized radar lock-on. The
>>same plane that got the gun camera data? Very interesting. I'd
>>like to see that demonstrated in a lab. Perhaps a member of your
>>group could perform this experiment for us?

>The logistics seem a bit too daunting, I fear....

JC: The point was, "your theory fails to explain that."

>> >>So, in short, we really do not know what EL has to explain<<
>>- JC: You said it, not me.

>No, you said it.

JC: I apologize if somehow I somehow misinterpreted you. Those were the words you used. Honestly, I wouldn't lie to you. Our original conversation is at:

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/updates/1997/mar/m16-006.shtml>

>*I'm* saying we do not really know what EL is
>supposed to have to explain, as the alternative notions don't
>add up to a whole heap...You know, citing videos by the Elders,
>reports in National Enquirer, statements, credos and flames on
>the Net, etc., doesn't inspire much confidence.

JC: Paul, you really need to look a little closer. If you honestly deal with what's really in the depths of this post, you've done a lot. Many of the links included herein are quite informative if one reads them. (Even just the first few)

>>JC: A large number of us would agree with you [that EL and
>>spaceships can coinhabit the skies]. The real trouble here is,
>>you really don't believe they can.

>Since when are you in a position to make that statement?

JC: Simply because I, deep in my soul, honestly don't believe you really believe it. That's why I said it. Other people can make their own judgments from what was written by both of us in our original post. If they don't agree with me, they don't agree with me. No problem. It's my personal opinion. I'm entitled to this.

....snip....

>I live in the United States, I'm married to an American, I pay
>taxes in the United States, I spend my money there. (I am the ETHers

>nightmare - a 'resident alien'... I suppose that makes my old
>Subaru a kind of structured alien craft...). But I do come from
>a slightly different culture, and each year I live and travel
>considerably in other societies and cultures. There is much I like
>about the United States and its people. But the naive,
>over-simplistic and literal attitude they take to numerous
>topics, especially ufology, isn't one of them.

JC: Perhaps some do. But generalized statements about an entire
group of people don't solve anything. I've provided some links in our
posts that prove that 1) not all Americans are as naive and
simplistic as you make them out to be and 2) there is definitely much
solid research going on if one makes an honest effort to look for it.

>If you had my
>'alien' perspective, you really would see that much (not all) of
>what goes on in 'mainstream' US ufology looks at times a bit like a
>meeting of the Barking Mad Society. It **does** feel like a trip to
>Salem during the witchhunting trials.

JC: Those darn humans have their problems, don't they. :-)
Look at history and these problems aren't isolated to America. Matter
of fact, one only needs to read the newspapers to see what people are
doing to each other all over the world. Certainly not just in
America.

>The United
>States **does** have a tendency to be very inward-looking in some
>respects, to think of itself as the sole norm of everything.
>Miller's CRUCIBLE said it better than I - whether it is McCarthyism
>or whatever. The sheer size and power of a high-tech United States
>focusing on its own navel is a distressing wonder to behold -
>and, again, nowhere more so than in ufology.

JC: It isn't possible we're just trying to solve the cases that are
closest to us, that have affected us directly and can have legitimate
research performed on them because we can get there to do that
research? And are we totally unaware of sightings in Belgium,
Britain, Mexico, etc.?

>Alas, the perspective
>I am speaking of is by definition invisible visible to most of those
>involved within it, so you **cannot** accept the point I am making.
>It is just one of those things, I suppose.

JC: You're right, I couldn't possibly be intelligent enough or have
an overview to understand what you're saying. :-)

>I tell you this as a friend, not an enemy. (I could tell you much
>worse things about Britain, I assure you!) It is just an
>alien's eye view.

JC: Paul, if you really think about it, what we really need to
realize here is that people are people no matter where they are. They
all have human fallibilities. But we humans are certainly not all
totally incompetent, in any country, all the time either.

Buenos noches Gracie, (Spanish George Burns)
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WPLR Interviews Travis Walton 03-30-97

From: **Kenneth LLOYD** <alcyone@maill.nai.net>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 01:05:49 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 08:56:33 -0500
Subject: WPLR Interviews Travis Walton 03-30-97

Wplr-fm 99.1 New Haven, Connecticut.

New UFO radio talk-show, 'Cosmic Connections' will interview Travis Walton on Sunday night March 30th, 10:30 p.m.to 11:30 p.m. est.

Kenny Lloyd and Bob Tallard will be co-host the program. They'll be talking about Fire In The Sky, the book, versus the movie.

World-wide listener phone calls will be taken at 1-(203)-248-WPLR.

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RE: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

From: Neil Morris <Neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 11:18:51 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 08:48:01 -0500
Subject: RE: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

> Date: Thu, 01 Jan 1970 10:00:00 +1000
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: glennys mackay <glenmack@thehub.com.au>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

> At Mt. Syliva, west of Brisbane farmers have reported orange
> balls of light both late at night and early morning, as day ****nm
> was breaking.

> Reports have come in from Ipswich which is close to the Amberly
> Airforce Base. There have also been reported sightings of a
> number of strange lights witnessed in the past three weeks.

> A Security guard while on late-evening duty, was stopped at ****nm
> traffic lights in Ipswich city. His attention was drawn to an
> unusual glow to his right on looking north was astounded at this
> very large object which seemed to be going very slowly. He
> claims it was emitting an orange glow. As the red light changed he
> was obliged to move and lost sight of the object which had gone
> behind some high buildings. This was around the 19th February of
> this year.

Hello All,

I'm struck by a corelation it seems, between some of these sightings and a piece of 8mm footage I saw on local TV here in the UK back in the early 70's, maybe other list members in the Northwest of England, (Granada TV area) might just remember it. A Manchester family, Mr - Mrs and 2 children had been on a summer camping holiday and whilst on Salibury Plain the father had had to make a very early (around 4-30,5am) call of nature and on returning to the tent was presented by an amazing sight. In the distance he saw a large number of glowing orange balls of light moving up and down slowly from ground level to the cloud base a few hundred feet above. He watched them for a few moments and then rushed into the tent to wake the rest of the family AND grab his super 8 cine camera. He only had a couple of minutes of film left, this he shot, the spectacle went on for aprox 30 mins before the objects dispersed.

The film showed the objects quite clearly in the distance, moving both up and down and of various sizes, as I remember, the "official" explanation was that, as much of Salibury Plain is used by the Ministry of Defence the lights were nothing more than flares being used in manuevers, but since when do flares float up and down, and though it was very early it was mid summer and quite light, ie there was no need of flares for illumination etc, signalling maybe but for 30+ minutes?.

I've often kicked myself mentally for not making notes about this report, and if any list member does have more details regarding this incident they would be gratefully received.

On a personal note, my feelings regarding the objects shown in the film I saw were that whatever they were I felt they were more likly to be some very unusual "natural" phonomena and not an "ET" instigated event, they could also throw some light on the mystery of those pesky crop circles, many of which are discovered in and around the same area.

Food for thought:

On a final "biblical" note, watching the film clip at the time, I was reminded of the old testament story of "Jacobs Ladder", for angles read orange lights/orbs, ? have these events been seen in the middle-east too ?.

Best Regards
Neil.

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Re: EL/TST

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 97 08:24:56 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:13:59 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 20:34:52 -0500
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
From: Jerry Cohen <rjcohen@li.net>
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

This entire thread seems to indicate that some suggestion is made that EL is an explanation for even metallic UFOs. I have seen at close range two classic flying saucers with shiny brushed aluminum-appearing surfaces that carried rotating lights. Many other people have seen structured objects that included windows and lights and aerals and vents and other paraphanelia. In such cases I might as well call the commercial airliners I have seen landing at Skyharbor EL. We can argue about the nature of luminescent orbs, but the UFO phenomena includes structured flying craft and that is what I am interested in, especially when they are witnessed landing and occupants are disembarking and landing traces are left such as the Socorro case.

Anyone else out there see a flying craft (even though it may have been flying on a repulsion field)?

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton

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Re: EL/TST

From: William Weber <koran@mindspring.com>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 13:44:08 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:16:55 -0500
Subject: Re: EL/TST

UFO UpDates - Toronto wrote:

> Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 20:34:52 -0500
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: Jerry Cohen <rjcohen@li.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: EL/TST

Hi Errol,

I'm an FOV (friend of Velez), and have been lurking on this list for a while. <G> After reading the Dennis to Velez post, the Velez to Dennis reponse, the Greg to Dennis post, and the Dennis to Greg response, I ran across this wonderful passage in an otherwise crummy book. I thought I'd share it. Perhaps the proof without the experience is as difficult to come by as the subject of the following...

"Children are not like us. They are beings apart: impenetrable, unapproachable. They inhabit not our world but a world we have lost and can never recover. We do not remember childhood - we imagine it. We search for it, in vain, through layers of obscuring dust, and recover some bedraggled shreds of what we think it was. And all the while the inhabitants of this world are among us, like aborigines, like Minoans, people from elsewhere safe in their own time-capsule. I used to take Lisa for walks in the woods near Sotleigh when she was five and six, shedding Jasper's mother and the bovine Swiss au pair girl. She amused and intrigued me - this small unreachable alien creature locked in her amoral pre-literate condition with no knowledge of past or future, free of everything, in a state of grace. I wanted to know how it felt. I would question her, craftily, with adult sophistry, with the backing of Freud and Jung and centuries of perception and opinion. And she would slip away from me, impervious, equipped with her own powers of evasion, with Indian lore, with techniques of camouflage."

Sincerely,
Bill

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 10:10:18 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:11:14 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Rebecca,

I'm late at getting to my mail...sorry...so I didn't see your question to me till now.

> > Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 07:28:04 -0500
> > From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
> > To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock
>
> Greg, you mentioned this in your earlier post and I
> would like to know if you interviewed Butler, Stefula
> and/or Hansen.
>
> Can you cite how they were dishonest, please?

Well, first I should confess that I'm not dishonest, but I'm certainly idiotic sometimes. In my IUR piece, in the mail to subscribers as I write, I actually misstate the date of the abduction! The precise date has no bearing on anything I wrote, but it's ridiculous to have gotten it wrong. I didn't have it burned into my brain, and flipped through the book quickly to remind myself as I was writing the piece. Somehow I got it wrong. I can console myself by pointing to the corrections that appear in the New York Times every day (little things like giving the wrong name for the governors of major states). And when I worked for a magazine that employed a whole staff of fact checkers, I saw many instances of sound reporters falling down on details. But this mistake is a blot on my fledgling UFO career...maybe nobody should believe anything I say!

As for Hansen et al, maybe dishonest is too strong, Rebecca. But some of what they say is kinda far off, to put it mildly. There are two things I noticed. First, if you're familiar with their "white paper," you know that they give a long list of similarities between the Linda case and an awful UFO thriller called "Nighteyes." When I read the book, I discovered that the similarities are either nonexistent or wildly farfetched. To give you just one example, the first alleged similiarity is that -- in both the case and the book -- a UFO hovered over a building in Manhattan and abducted someone. That simply doesn't happen in the novel. There's a delightful scene in which aliens come through the ceiling of a penthouse apartment on the upper west side, and engage in a pitched battle with a frightened but feisty family. Afterwards, the father discovers that his wife, an abductee, is missing. He rushes up to the roof, where he finds his faithful bodyguard dying of wounds inflicted by the aliens. (Any similarity to the Linda case yet?) Far up in the sky he sees a UFO disappearing into the night. So, fine, maybe the UFO was hovering over the building, but the novel doesn't say a word about that. For all we know, it could have landed on the roof. Most crucially, nobody saw it do anything. The whole scene is told from the point of view of the family inside the apartment -- QUITE different from the Linda case, where the whole point is that the UFO was supposedly observed.

I spoke to Hansen about that, just last night. He said he'd have to read the book again, but that he and his colleagues hadn't meant to say the case and book were identical, only that the book (which Hansen said had been discussed in Budd's support groups) could have given ideas to the hoaxers -- including Linda -- whom he feel contrived the whole affair.

When you make the point that general, it's hard to disagree. Sure it

could have given ideas. Hansen et al cite a scene where a federal agent kidnaps an abductee, using a van. Sure enough, that happens in the Linda case, too. In the book, there are a few extraneous details...the federal agent is on the run from his own agency, is accompanied by a newspaper reporter, and actually kidnaps a UFO researcher, whom he suspects of knowing more about UFOs than has been publicly revealed. The abductee (and her father!) happen to be with the UFO researcher, and get taken more or less by accident. If anyone thinks this is close enough to have suggested the entirely different episode in the case -- where two very determined federal agents in fine standing with their agency kidnapped a single abductee one time to interrogate her about whether she was working with the aliens or even might be an alien, and a second time to take her to the beach Pam Klemm has posted thoughts about, there to almost rape her -- well, God bless you. I don't see anything more than a coincidental resemblance, far outweighed by differences. You have to read Hansen et al, to see how much they make of all this. Although Hansen was reasonable to talk to, I think he and his colleagues misrepresent what's in the book.

Secondly, Rebecca, there's the matter of the weather. The three writers make much -- and again, you have to read the document to see how strongly they put this -- of Budd's failure to check the weather on the night of the supposed abduction. Would it even have been possible for someone on the Brooklyn Bridge to have seen Linda being abducted? Budd's response is that he didn't need to check, because he heard about the abduction the day after it happened, and thus knew what the weather was. That doesn't really satisfy me -- he should have checked anyway, assuming the weather mattered, because memory can play tricks.

However, I can't see why the weather matters at all. Linda was abducted from a 12th story window, for God's sake, which isn't all that high. The UFO was supposedly visible above the building, so add a few stories. Say the UFO was 15 stories high. I've lived in New York most of my life, and I've never seen clouds low enough to hide the top of a 15-story building. Yes, the Empire State, all 101 floors of it, will get lost in the clouds sometimes. But clouds low enough to hide Linda's abduction would be absolutely extraordinary -- truly shocking. And yes, I have heard of the phenomenon called "fog," and I've certainly driven through some very thick ones. But not here. I've never seen the tops of ordinary buildings (and in NY a 15-story building is quite ordinary) hidden by any kind of weather.

So let's put it this way. I think some of the objections raised by Hansen et al are extremely farfetched. People who would raise them think in a very different way from the way most people I know think. The stuff about "Nighteyes" is just wild. The list of supposed similarites is, in my judgement, so far off base that it does make me wonder what's going on.

> I can't be sure because I haven't seen it, but according
> to people I know, the National Enquirer does indeed
> publish UFO Stories. I've been told they published one
> about 3 weeks ago. I think that the story even featured
> one of our list members -- Pat Parrinello.

Interesting, Rebecca. I don't read the Enquirer currently, so I don't know about this.

I've spent time in their office, though -- probably two weeks, in all. (I've written a story about the Weekly World News, and at one time developed friendships there...a long story...and the News shares a building with the Enquirer.) It's possible that they run a UFO story now and then, but they don't have the strong interest they used to have, when they offered prizes for the best UFO sighting. It must be many years since they made anything about UFOs their cover story.

The history is actually pretty clear. Once the Enquirer covered anything outrageous and attention-getting. Then they got color presses, and made an upscale move. They decided they'd largely scrap anything paranormal or grisly, and use their old black and white presses to publishes the Weekly World News, which would take over the outrageous side of their former territory. That the News decided it was more fun to make the stories up is something else again, which to me gives that paper all its charm. (And makes me giggle when I read someone painstakingly rebutting them in the Skeptical Inquirer!)

I never detected any interest in UFOs among any of thr Enquirer staff, and in the years that I was a pop music critic and would read the rag from time to time to check out the gossip, I never saw any UFO items at all.

Greg Sandow

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Mid-Atlantic 50th Anniversary Symposium

From: **Steven Kaeser** <skaeser@konsulting.com>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 15:26:28 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:37:57 -0500
Subject: Mid-Atlantic 50th Anniversary Symposium

Dr. Maccabee has sent out information on the Maryland MUFON Symposium. Billed as "The Great Mid Atlantic 50th Anniversary UFO Symposium"; it will be held on Saturday May 3 at the Bethesda Ramada Inn on Wisconsin Avenue near the National Institute of Health. Speakers include Stanton Friedman, Linda Howe, Bruce Maccabee, Robert Swiatek, Peter Resta, 'Anna Jamerson and Beth Collings' (authors of the book 'Connections') There will be an investigators workshop in the morning conducted by Dr. Bruce Macr-aboo, MUFON Stat.-- Director for Maryland.

The workshop starts at 9:00 AM. The day will conclude with a panel discussion. Cost for the entire Symposium (includes morning workshop, lunch, afternoon lectures and evening lecture and discussion) is \$35.00. Afternoon and evening sessions cost \$30.00, and evening alone (I lecture and the panel discussion) costs \$25.00. There is a special hotel rate available for attendees at \$69.00 per night. Hotel rooms can be reserved for Friday and Saturday evenings by calling (301) 654-1000. A special rate has been established if you mention that you are attending the MUFON Symposium.

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'Linda Case' Radio Show

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 15:40:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:43:37 -0500
Subject: 'Linda Case' Radio Show

Paul Williams scored quite a coup, I think, when he got Budd Hopkins and Linda Cortile to appear together on his late-night radio show on WBAI in New York -- for three and a half hours of discussion on Tuesday, midnight to 3:30 AM.

When I type those hours, I just about groan, because I was on the show, too, for half the night, along with John Velez and Eugenia Macer-Story, someone the rest of us didn't know, who Paul introduced as a "playwright, psychic, and intuitive." I was sleepy to begin with, and it was a long siege. Maybe the best thing that could happen, with Budd and Linda together in public (and I guess me, too, since I've been looking into the case) would be to have a skeptical host, who'd fire challenging questions at the three of us. What happened, though, was something I wouldn't have predicted. There was, first of all, just an hour and a half to discuss the case among ourselves, because Budd had to leave at 2:00, and Paul wanted to open the phone lines to questions from listeners before he left.

So we talked about the case from 12:00 to 1:30, and -- just to begin with -- it's pretty hard even to describe the storyline clearly in so short a time. Let alone get into details of investigation. And then Eugenia was on quite a different track from the rest of us, since she wanted to talk about the relationship of psychic powers to electromagnetic radiation. She also had a lot to say about the sinister mind control she's positive the government engages in, and how that proves the case was a government manipulation right from the start. Now, I'd never say people shouldn't pursue that line of inquiry, but it's a different discussion from the one the rest of us were disposed (and qualified!) to have.

Things really didn't come together, in my view, until the phone calls started. I'll skip right over the people (one of whom called twice) who had UFO theories to impart. What fascinated me were the callers -- five of them, I think -- who with apparently sincerity described UFO sightings (not particularly dramatic ones) they'd had in the NY area. None had ever reported them, and two or three said they'd told at most one or two other people.

Linda and John were wonderful in their responses -- so caring, to the point, and down to earth. Say what you will about the ultimate nature of the UFO phenomenon (or of the experiences John and Linda say they've had), it's now become part of our culture that people who think they see UFOs also think others will think they're crazy. As a result, a kind of informal counselling and support can really be helpful. Two callers described trying to call attention -- with no success -- to whatever the thing might have been, in one case to a large number of people hanging out on the street. Only one of that large crowd bothered to look. Paul then made an important and truthful remark -- "New Yorkers just don't look up." (Paul, by the way, is a very gracious and easy radio host, and he's the only one devoting blocks of time to UFOs on NY radio.) Which is how it is, in the big town. And it compounds the difficulty of getting anyone to pay attention even to a UFO that might happen to be right above you. New Yorkers just aren't conscious of the sky much of the time; you can't even see much of it. So you don't pay attention to it.

I wish everyone could have heard Linda and John. They offered understanding and sympathy to people who felt they'd had an experience others wouldn't believe, and they did it with emotional honesty, and real class.

Greg Sandow

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Oprah?

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 07:19:00 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:34:06 -0500
Subject: Oprah?

Dear colleagues,

Can anyone please supply me with a contact for the Oprah Winfrey Show.
This is totally un-ufo related and your assistance would be most grateful.

Yours Sincerely,

Philip Mantle.

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Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

From: "Michael J. Woods" <mike.woods@sympatico.ca>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 17:08:01 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:50:26 -0500
Subject: Re: Orange 'Orbs' over Lake Ontario

>From: Jennifer Jarvis <jarvis@globalserve.net>
>Reply-To: jarvis@globalserve.net
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: Orange orbs over Lake Ontario

>From: Jennifer Jarvis (jarvis@globalservernet)

To Jennifer Jarvis and everyone else....

A corroboration of sorts to the observation made by the above person on Saturday March 22nd and Sunday March 23rd 1997.

Iso, a bit of a let down for those expecting a quick and easy answer to this one. (Like myself.)

On Monday, March 24, 1997 at approx 11 a.m. I contacted CFB Trenton Air Search and Rescue, full expecting to learn they'd been dropping flares over Lake Ontario, south of Oakville, looking for a boater or some such. The helpful Captain I spoke with, the communications/watch officer who gets to answer questions from the media checked the log and assured me that no search and rescue craft had left the air base all weekend....and certainly none had been dropping flares or even practising. (As I know from personal experience, military exercises are arranged well in advance.)

I contacted the Coast Guard station that operates from the St. Catherines area, with the same response. No requests all weekend for emergency assistance, no coast guard craft on the waters, firing flares.

My final stop was the Metro Police Marine Unit. A blank there, too. No emergency efforts on their part, no word of any situation on the lake handled by anyone.

So, no idea what those orange orbs may be, but they were NOT flares fired in some emergency response or simulated emergency drill.

As to what they are.....let the guessing begin.

Mike Woods

The truth can STAY out there, send in a good fantasy.

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Phoenix UFO Follow-up

From: **Marty Garza** <74044.1304@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 27 Mar 97 01:27:17 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 08:29:35 -0500
Subject: Phoenix UFO Follow-up

Fwd: Phoenix UFO Follow-up

From: 75231.2770@compusere.com (Brian)
Date: Tue, 24 Mar 1997 23:14:09
Fwd Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 20:56:17
Subject: Phoenix UFO Follow-up

My wife and I were driving back to California from a trip to Phoenix on the evening of the 14th (about 6:00 PM). She and I were watching a dark object like you describe over some mountains approx. 75 miles south of Phoenix, at an elevation of about 3,000 feet off the deck. We maintained visual with the object in the daylight for approx. 40 minutes, during which time it did not move. During the elapsed time, we drove approx. 50 miles and never lost sight of the object. We finally stopped at a rest stop and watched the object until darkness overtook it. We did not see any lights, although we were quite a distance from the object.

Hope this helps. A military project perhaps???

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How to Order Copy of RAND Report

From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 19:35:01 -0800
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 08:09:31 -0500
Subject: How to Order Copy of RAND Report

To: akazero@pe.net
Cc: Margaret_Schumacher@rand.org, order@rand.org
Subject: Re: Request for report.
Date: Tue, 25 Mar 97 22:14:20 PST
From: Peg Schumacher <pege@rand.org>

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Top Ten Reasons...

From: **Dennis Stacy** <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 15:29:55 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 07:48:20 -0500
Subject: Top Ten Reasons...

The Top Ten Reason Scientists Don't Study UFOs:

- #10: Can't afford MUFON Field Investigator's Manual.
- #9: Have to ask embarrassing questions like "Did the little gray gentleman have any genitalia?"
- #8: Teenage girls no longer impressed by flying saucer stories.
- #7: Black helicopters follow you everywhere you go.
- #6: Have to spend your family vacation in Roswell, New Mexico, every year.
- #5: Can't trust your friends, family or government.
- #4: Aliens constantly wake you in the middle of the night, asking for sperm samples.
- #3: Philip Klass threatens to cut off your laboratory's funding if you do.
- #2: Men in Black call you on the phone, demanding to know "What's the frequency, Kenneth?"

And the Number One reason why scientists don't study UFOs:

"Sagan says so!"

Dennis Stacy

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Re: 83 Top Secret UFO Docs Released By Spanish

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 02:47:36 +0100
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 08:07:17 -0500
Subject: Re: 83 Top Secret UFO Docs Released By Spanish

I forward this item from the German UFO newsgroup "de.alt.ufo" to elaborate on my previous e-mail. Here is what I think is the full press release from DPA (Deutsche Presse-Agentur, German Press Agency) dated March 20th 1997. The translation is mine:

Madrid (dpa)

The Spanish Air Force has released numerous secret documents on UFOs from the seventies and eighties. Or to be precise, 83 reports which at the time were categorized as "Top Secret" and now can be viewed in the headquarters of the Air Force, the (Spanish) newspaper "ABC" states.

Among the documents are 20 so-called "X-files" on strange phenomena that haven't been explained in spite of several years of research. According to one of these reports the former Spanish prime minister Suarez witnessed one such inexplicable incident in February 1980. During a return flight from Germany a mysterious multicoloured ball of light could be seen in the sky. The pilots of this aircraft and an accompanying one had at the same time picked up radar signals that couldn't be identified. Subsequent investigations showed that the air space had been totally free at the time, the paper wrote.

In another case the pilot of an airliner to Tenerife felt compelled to make an intermediate landing in Valencia. "Some strange red lights came towards us with an enormous speed", the pilot reported at the time. The phenomenon was simultaneously registered on radar screens in other towns.

26. March 1997 21.24.06
de.alt.ufo Item
From: y0001095@ws.rz.tu-bs.de, usenet
Subject: dpa zu Spanien
To: de.alt.ufo
dpa vom 20.3.1997

Madrid (dpa) Die spanische Luftwaffe hat zahlreiche Geheimdokumente aus den 70er und 80er Jahren ueber UFOsfreigegeben. Es handelt sich um 83 Berichte, die seinerzeit als "streng geheim" eingestuft waren und nun im Hauptquartier der Luftwaffe eingesehen werden koennen, berichtete die Zeitung "ABC".

Unter den Dokumenten sind 20 sogenannte "X-Akten" ueber seltsame Phaenome, die trotz jahrelanger Untersuchungen nie aufgeklaert werden konnten. Danach wurde auch der fruehere Regierungschef Adolfo Suarez im Februar 1980 Zeuge eines solchen ungeklaerten Falls. Waehrend eines Rueckflugs aus Deutschland sei ein seltsamer mehrfarbiger Lichtball am Himmel zu sehen gewesen. Die Piloten der Maschine und eines Begleitflugzeuges haetten gleichzeitig nicht zu identifizierende Radarsignale empfangen. Spaetere Untersuchungen haetten ergeben, dass der Luftraum zur fraglichen Zeit voellig frei gewesen sei, schrieb die Zeitung.

In einem anderen Fall habe sich eine Linienmaschine gezwungen gesehen, auf einem Flug nach Teneriffa in Valencia zwischenzulanden. "Merkwuerdige rote Lichter naeherten sich mit enormer Geschwindigkeit unserem Flugzeug", berichtete der Pilot damals. Das Phaenomen sei gleichzeitig von Radarschirmen in anderen Staedten registriert worden.

Date: 26 Mar 1997 20:24:06 GMT
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Alfred's Odd Ode #117

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 17:55:32 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 08:05:01 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #117

Apology to MW #117 (For March 26, 1997)

Join me in Earth orbit, and take a moment from your day.
The Earth adrift in moonlight, the sun and comets holding sway.
The stars are bright in brilliant night, as keen and sharp as knives,
Below the =91man=92 completes small plans =96 culture=92s artifacts=
contrived. .

Out here the stars make bracelets of a woman=92s shadowed form.
They outline shapes in curvy norms unconfined and un-conformed.
These pictures don=92t transgress your happiness, they are the stuff of
you,
And in them lives a consciousness that your conscience knows is true.

You are your brother=92s keeper as you watch the whole earth spin.
Part of something wholesome, you must question where you=92ve been.
The Earth is living, breathing =96 you can see its respiration.
The clouds pump watching living water; there really is no question.

There are some futile fly specks that conspire on the surface.
They paint themselves as creation=92s lords as they fry us in their
furnace.
They pump their toxins endlessly in their programmed obsolescence.
They tell welcome lies to their consumers who are fawning acquiescence.

They mewl, and pule their centrist dogma, these whitebread men of note.
Entrenched in what=92s *convenient* they have their answers learned by
rote.
The Earth is being poisoned, say EVERY ONE of my professors,
But still we buy the boat, that car =96 or an air conditioned dresser.

Go back in time =96 3000 years, the period of Chuck=92s comet <g>.
Excuse time slop, it=92s not the point =96 (misdirection makes me vomit).
See the Earth without brown tinge. See it healthy, green and verdant?
See the belts of life=92s diversity, all biospheres concurrent?

See how life renews itself? It can spring back from an asteroid!
But lately we have made it ill, and made ourselves its hemorrhoid.
We four wheel down her soft sides, we butchered bison herds. . .
We *develop* needed marshlands, our demise now undeterred.=20

And the watching folks from *outside* are, in deep dismayed distress,
They continue observation. They record our sad excess.
They got it all, and we will find -- with it=92s contents shared
perchance,
How wrong we were, short sighted, mean =96 how we blew our every chance.

We=92ll know regret, not now if then, at missing opportunity.
At mixing up priority, and destroying continuity.
If you=92d do unto others what you=92d have done unto you
Then continue education; be smarter, straighter, true.

Because you=92re pissing Earth off with your single serving cola,
She struck back with AIDS, and she stabs with Ebola.=20
We=92re not needed to continue her plans;
She=92d toss us right out on our ample round cans!

Man, *big and strong*, thinks he knows, understands.
He thinks he can thwart, or ignore his own glands.

He thinks he has worked out designs of his Gods,
But is fooling himself -- is in fact a grand clod.=20

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"It=92s the age of information"! (Best be humble . . .).
"Man has found his place =96 Creation=92s crown"! (Oh please. . .).
"Man=92s mastered his environment"! (Feel a searing wince of shame. . .).
"Hail the glory of the Human"! (Then be shoved to humble knees!).

But that=92s down below in this Earth that we orbit.
A planet of water, alive and aware.
And what are we really but self aware water.
Water that hurts when not water that=92s shared.

Water that reaches to inky black skies;
Water that would move off of this rock.
Water that mixes its oils and then paints;
Water capable of taking sound stock!

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And we are but that water that can orbit the skies.
We can do then what=92s right -- be a watcher=92s surprise.
We can spend money used for pedicured feet.
To raise folks up in learning -- make them welcome on our streets!=20

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The entire globe would benefit if incandescent light bulbs, if not outlawed altogether, were nailed with a heavy usage tax. . . Move over completely to fluorescent. . . Power availability would increase (no more brownouts), price would go down (the meter master freaks) =96 and 30,000 starving children might get a god-damned bowl of rice with a textbook, instead of slipping miserably into their welcomed deaths every day of our pampered lives.=20

Just heard this on CNN. Americans spend 6 BILLION dollars a year on diets that DO NOT WORK.=20

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, shouted from the fundamentalist's stake.

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Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

From: Jerry Cohen <rjcohen@li.net>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 04:39:35 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 08:36:04 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

From: Jerry Cohen <rjcohen@li.net>
To: <updates@globalserve.net>
Re: Re: UFO UpDate: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan Bomber

>From: BRETT.OLBRYYS@appl.ge.com
>To: <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

>Date: Fri, Mar 21 14:27:48 1997 -0500 (EST)

>AVRO Vulcan Bomber

> Does anyone else notice the similarity between this Bomber
> and the Triangular craft that was photographed during the
> Belgium wave of sightings? * Take a look at it and see if
> you don't think they are similar, especially after watching
> the Quicktime movie at the address I'll provide. Pay
> attention to the very end of the movie, the very last
> frame/shot. Each corner of the Triangular Bomber is illum-
> inated just like in the Belgium sightings.

>The address to view the quicktime movie and article is:

><http://www.scifi.com/sightings/web1108/vulcan.html>

Hello Brett,

The big question for me is "wouldn't the Belgium Air Force (part of the NATO chain) be able to figure this out somehow, before going public with it?" When I saw the case recreated on "Unsolved Mysteries," with the videotaped testimonies of dispatchers, police, high brass from the Belgium military and the gun camera data I was impressed. They were baffled. What the police described in one sighting was that one of the triangle craft hovered over a building, then the 3 lights in the corners of the craft merged into one light, and the whole thing shot off faster than the eye could follow. This does not sound like the Vulcan Bomber. A pertinent question is "Does the Vulcan bomber have the technical capabilities to do what is reported in the following article." If we don't know now, we'll know when the upgrade to the present Vulcan model comes out. My vote is the Vulcan probably can't do what was reported. (But, I could be wrong.)

It may be possible that "some" of the reports may possibly have been related to what you say but other eyewitness descriptions seem to refute this when examining the "core" cases.

Respectfully,
Jerry Cohen

E-mail: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>

BELGIUM CASE: (From a previous post regarding this)

* Belgium case shown below as it appeared in the July/Aug 1990 issue of CUFOS (Center for UFO Studies) IUR (International UFO Reporter). The case was reenacted on "Unsolved Mysteries" narrated by Robert Stack. Recorded data taken by Belgian Air Force plane radar was included in the ruination along with videotaped statements from military & police personnel. I find it extremely difficult to believe

that the Belgian Air Force and national police would put their reputations on the line to say something of this sort if there wasn't something substantial to it. Something had to really shake them up enough for them to say it as a combined group. The descriptions given by the police in the video were amazing to say the least.

These people are trained observers to handle emergencies & wartime events. It seems to make sense to me to trust a large group of trained observers before I will believe any individual skeptic who thinks he has proven otherwise.

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"On the night of March 30th, one of the callers reporting a UFO was a Captain of the national police at Pinson, and [Belgian Air Force] Headquarters decided to make a serious effort to verify the reports. In addition to the visual sightings, two RADAR installations also saw the UFO. One RADAR is at Glons, southeast of Brussels, which is part of the NATO defense group, and one at Semmerzake, west of the Capitol, which controls the military and civilian traffic of the entire Belgian territory. The range of the two RADARs is 300 kilometers, which is more than enough to cover the area where the reports took place. . . . Headquarters determined to do some very precise studies during the next 55 minutes to eliminate the possibility of prosaic explanations for the RADAR images. Excellent atmospheric conditions prevailed, and there was no possibility of false echoes due to temperature inversions.

". . . at 0005 hours the order was given to the F-16s to take off and to find the intruder. The lead pilot concentrated on his RADAR screen, which at night is his best organ of vision. The F-16 is equipped with very sophisticated equipment, including chase RADAR, which is not fixed directly ahead of the airplane, but makes a wide search in an arc of 90 degrees left and right of the nose. . . .

"Suddenly the two fighters spotted the intruder on their RADAR screens, appearing like a little bee dancing on the scope. Using their joy sticks like a video game, the pilots ordered the onboard computers to pursue the target. As soon as lock-on was achieved, the target appeared on the screen as a diamond shape, telling the pilots that from that moment on, the F-16s would remain tracking the object automatically

"[Before the RADAR had locked on for six seconds] the object had speeded up from an initial velocity of 280 kph to 1,800 kph, while descending from 3,000 meters to 1,700 meters . . . in one second! This fantastic acceleration corresponds to 40 Gs. It would cause immediate death to a human on board. The limit of what a pilot can take is about 8 Gs. The trajectory of the object was extremely disconcerting. It arrived at 1,700 meters altitude, then it dove rapidly toward the ground at an altitude under 200 meters, and in doing so escaped from the RADARs of the fighters and the ground units at Glons and Semmerzake. This maneuver took place over the suburbs of Brussels, which are so full of man-made lights that the pilots lost sight of the object beneath them

"Everything indicates that this object was intelligently directed to escape from the pursuing planes. During the next hour the scenario repeated twice. . . .

"This fantastic game of hide and seek was observed from the ground by a great number of witnesses, among them 20 national policemen who saw both the object and the F-16s. The encounter lasted 75 minutes, but nobody heard the supersonic boom which should have been present when the object flew through the sonic barrier. No physical damage was reported. Given the low altitude and speed of the object, many windows should have been broken."

This case has all the hallmarks of the classic USAF jet-scrambling cases of the 1950s and 1960s, with one notable exception: the Belgian Air Force is not covering up anything.

For a full translation of the Paris-Match article, write to: Robert J. Durant, 106 Hessian Hill Drive, Pennington, NJ 08534.

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Re: Interview with Philip Corso shown at Knapp

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Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 09:25:06 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 10:33:52 -0500
Subject: Re: Interview with Philip Corso shown at Knapp

Glenn Campbell wrote:

>Date: Tue, 25 Mar 1997 17:53:51 -0800
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
>Subject: Interview with Philip Corso shown at Knapp Lecture

>According to Knapp, the title of Corso's forthcoming book is "The Day
>After Roswell." It is scheduled to be released in July to coincide
>with the Roswell 50th Anniversary. Knapp said the publisher was making
>claims for the book which didn't really match Corso's -- that it was
>going to reveal all about the Roswell case, for example -- and this
>was being used as ammunition by critics.

This is the sort of nonsense that I see all the time.
When you are caught blame someone else. I have a copy
of Corso's proposal. It is the one that he sent to the
various publishers as he searched for someone interested
in his book. In that proposal Corso claims to be a member
of MJ-12. He worked on the staff. Now I'm told that all
references to Corso being a member of MJ-12 have been
eliminated from the book.

To me, this suggests that Corso, credentials and all, is
not a solid source. It sees to me that he is another of
those who is jumping on the Roswell bandwagon at this
late date. I find nothing credible in his tale. He even
claims the transistor was derived from the technology
discovered at the Roswell crash. I think it was the Bell
Labs who pioneered that work and it began long before the
Roswell crash.

Yes, Corso was a lieutenant colonel and apparently did
work on a White House staff. But other things he says just
don't track. I think this is going to turn into another
alien autopsy. People are going to reject the data showing
Corso to be less than he is because they want to believe.

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 27 Mar 97 08:27:23 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 09:11:45 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

>Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 10:10:18 -0500
>From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Greg,

First of all, how do I subscribe to IUR? Honestly, I've never seen it.

>Well, first I should confess that I'm not dishonest, but I'm certainly >idiotic sometimes. In my IUR piece, in the mail to subscribers as I >write, I actually misstate the date of the abduction! The precise date >has no bearing on anything I wrote, but it's ridiculous to have gotten >it wrong. I didn't have it burned into my brain, and flipped through the >book quickly to remind myself as I was writing the piece. Somehow I got >it wrong. I can console myself by pointing to the corrections that >appear in the New York Times every day (little things like giving the >wrong name for the governors of major states). And when I worked for a >magazine that employed a whole staff of fact checkers, I saw many >instances of sound reporters falling down on details. But this mistake >is a blot on my fledgling UFO career...maybe nobody should believe >anything I say!

Since when has accurate reporting meant anything in this field???
Are you trying to start something??<VBG>

BTW, as for the comparisons between Budd's book and the sci-fi book Nighteyes, I think they are simple coincidences. I have a letter sent to me by a researcher who has "absolute proof" that Budd, Mack and Strieber have plagiarized their books from the Malleus Meleficarum, the notorious "Witches Hammer" used by the Inquisition and Cotton Mather's favorite book. This researcher also "proves" that parts of Mack come directly from Magic, Witchcraft and Alchemy by Emil Grillo de Givry and that major parts of Strieber are stolen from a particular edition of Moby Dick!!!!

This person sent me an inch-thick stack of photo copies of pages from these works with the similarities underlined and annotated. The research was carried out in Salem, Mass., no less.

The similarities are there, no doubt. But it never occurred to this person that the authors of the medieval "Hammer" may have simply been describing similar events, substituting "demons" for "aliens" due to the filter of the times. Same for Grillo de Givry.

I've maintained for some time that the same type of events described by modern abductees have been going on throughout human history, but interpreted differently in each age because of the social and religious filters people perceive the world through.

As for Strieber stealing from Moby Dick, there might really be a case there!!!!<G>

Bob

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Philip Mantle Needs Your Help

From: **Philip Mantle** <e151@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 01:22:13 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 10:36:02 -0500
Subject: Philip Mantle Needs Your Help

Dear colleagues,

Once again I would respectfully like to request your assistance. I am looking to find the addresses and/or telephone numbners of any of the following:

CONDON REPORT CONTRIBUTORS:

William K. Hartmann (photographic analysis)
Roy Craig (direct physical evidence)
Gordon D. Thayer (radar cases)
James Wadsworth
Michael Wertheimer
Franklin E. Roach (astronaul sightings)

Again, this information is for a prposed UFO documentary series that I am working on as a consultant and any assistance in locating the above individuals would be greatly appreciated.

Yours Sincerely,

Philip Mantle,
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Chinese UFO Research?

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 03:31:14 +0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 10:36:50 -0500
Subject: Chinese UFO Research?

Dear colleagues,

Could anyone please put me in touch, preferably by e-mail, with either an individual researcher or UFO researcher group in China.

Yours,

Philip Mantle.

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Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

From: Loy Pressley <lkpres@koyote.com>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 11:10:40 -0800
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 13:57:58 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

> Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 04:39:35 -0500
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: Jerry Cohen <rjcohen@li.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan Bomber

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> high brass from the Belgium military and the gun camera data I was
> impressed. They were baffled.

[snip]

> Respectfully,
> Jerry Cohen

[snip]

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I took a look at the video and, to me, it doesn't seem very similar.

We I was in the Air Force in 1965, I had an opportunity to see a Vulcan bomber up close and also a chance to look it over closely while it was on the ground. It was a huge airplane. One of the main landing gear wheels was as tall as my shoulders (I am 6' tall). The bomber itself was about 12' off the ground when parked on the ramp on it's landing gear. I remember thinking as I saw it enter the traffic pattern to land that it must have had very powerfull engines because it looked like a brick flying around. It also was one of the loudest airplanes I've ever heard.

While the Vulcan appeared to be huge, its wing span was much less than that of a B-52 and it was only about 2/3rds the length of a B-52. I think it appeared to be so huge because the engines were located in the wing and, therefore, the wings were very thick as compared to a B-52 or a similar aircraft.

I don't remember any lights on it that would compare to the lights reported in the Belgium sighting. I believe the landing lights were located on the nose landing gear housing.

I also don't think that the Vulcan bomber could fly very slowly. Delta wings don't produce much lift at low speed. They're designed primarily for high speed flight. Also, the engines make so much noise that I would find it hard to believe that anyone could identify it as anything other than an aircraft.

Besides, the Vulcan bomber has been retired for a long time...

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Re: Major UFO Alert in UK?

From: **Andy Roberts** <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>

Date: 27 Mar 97 12:07:20 EST

Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 13:34:55 -0500

Subject: Re: Major UFO Alert in UK?

Further to Graham Birdsall's post on this subject:

Despite almost two days of searching remote moorland police and mountain rescue services found nothing, despite over fifty people now having reported what appeared to be either a 'plane in trouble, a large white light, an explosion and a huge glow.

The event took place at approx. 22.06 on Monday evening and within minutes the services were out searching for a presumed crashed plane. Since Monday other witnesses have reported seeing a 'UFO' at this exact time in this area, whilst others have stuck to the more traditional 'plane on fire'.

An amateur video was taken at allegedly this time of what Detectives say *is* a small fixed wing 'plane in trouble. This is to be screened on local TV news either Thursday or Friday. Graham Birdsall has already seen this so may be able to comment better. The local press have been having a field day and linking it to sightings of 'ghost' WW11 bombers which have been seen in the area on numerous occasions (the moors here are littered with wrecks of bombers), and the UK National Press have article planned for the weekend, notably the Mail on Saturday and the Sunday Express.

Dave Clarke in Sheffield has been liaising closely with police and mountain rescue leaders, who say that *nothing* was legitimately in the skies over the north Peak District at that time. Obviously if this was some secret military activity we would not know anyway. The police admit to being baffled and are considering all and any possibilities - just as they did in the 1970s in this area when it was plagued by a 'phantom' helicopter which needless to say was never identified.

Anyway, following reports that a 'boom' was heard we checked with the Seismic Unit at Edinburgh University and lo and behold at 22.06 that night they registered a sonic boom which, they say, could only have been caused by a) Concorde, b) a military airplane turning at low altitude or c) a bolide meteor. a and b seem to be out of the question and c seems like a good description of what many people claim to have seen and misinterpreted. This however does not explain the video of a 'plane which shouldn't be there!

The Royal Astronomical Society's Bolide Meteor expert, Howard Miles, was of the opinion that it could well have been a bolide but he had no reports from that evening.

We have also spoke to another witness who observed a hovering light projecting beams of light down on to Majorie Hill (the apparent centre of the sighting area) at approximately the same time and from a different direction to most of the Sheffield witnesses. This *appears* to fix the phenomena firmly in one spot. We have numerous witnesses to interview over the coming weeks and we predict this story will be one of the biggest in the UK this year. It has many parallels with the Berwyn Mountains (Wales) event of 1974 which has suddenly attained fame in this country as a crash/retrieval -but which seems to have prosaic origins. This case may well be similar. It should be borne in mind that on the night of the event it was

crystal clear (itself a rarity in those parts) and a great many people were out looking at the skies in a Hale-Bopp sensitized state. Thinking with my psycho-social hat on it could all be construed as a bolide meteor and other astronomical events (such as the Virginids meteors which have been out in force) which have been misperceived and is slowly but surely turning into a UFO flap. On the other hand it could be something far stranger. As I write I've just heard from some witnesses who claim to have seen triangular UFOs in the area at that time! We'll keep you posted.....

Andy (and Dave)

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 12:03:07 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 16:08:36 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

I need to correct myself on something I wrote...

> > > Date: Fri, 21 Mar 1997 07:28:04 -0500
> > > From: Greg Sandow <gsandow@prodigy.net>
> > > To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> > > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

> However, I can't see why the weather matters at all. Linda was abducted
> from a 12th story window, for God's sake, which isn't all that high. The
> UFO was supposedly visible above the building, so add a few stories. Say
> the UFO was 15 stories high. I've lived in New York most of my life, and
> I've never seen clouds low enough to hide the top of a 15-story
> building. Yes, the Empire State, all 101 floors of it, will get lost in
> the clouds sometimes. But clouds low enough to hide Linda's abduction
> would be absolutely extraordinary -- truly shocking. And yes, I have
> heard of the phenomenon called "fog," and I've certainly driven through
> some very thick ones. But not here. I've never seen the tops of ordinary
> buildings (and in NY a 15-story building is quite ordinary) hidden by
> any kind of weather.
>

Linda herself tells me I'm wrong, that "two or three times a year,"
there's fog between her window -- the very one she was supposedly
abducted from -- and the Brooklyn Bridge. She can still see the lights
on the bridge, she says. But obviously Janet Kimball couldn't see the
details of Linda supposedly floating up surrounded by aliens if there
had been fog that night. Hansen et al tell us the weather was in fact
clear, but I think I should check for myself.

And by the way...let's give Linda points for honesty. She corrected me
without a moment's hesitation, and shot down an argument I'd made that
supports her!

Greg Sandow

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Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

From: **Greg Sandow** <gsandow@prodigy.net>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 11:57:35 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 16:05:03 -0500
Subject: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

Date: 27 Mar 97 08:27:23 EST
From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Of Linda, Hopkins & The Post's loading dock

> Bob asks:

> How do I subscribe to IUR? Honestly, I've never seen it.

You have to contact CUFOS. I don't have their number or address handy, but it ought to be easy to find. They're in the Chicago area.

> BTW, as for the comparisons between Budd's book and the sci-fi
> book Nighteyes, I think they are simple coincidences.

[much interesting stuff snipped about other accusations that abduction stories are copied from other sources]

This reminds me of court cases in the music business. Someone's always claiming to have originally written famous songs. Creedence was hit with such a charge, I remember, and so was Andrew Lloyd Webber. These charges are normally nonsense. Beethoven's Eroica symphony begins with a theme very like the one at the start of an opera Mozart wrote when he was 12, a piece Beethoven couldn't possibly have heard. Musical (and other) ideas sometimes resemble each other. It's just a fact of life.

Greg Sandow

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New Subscriber...

From: **Alfred Breull** <puma@hannover.sgh-net.de>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 16:27:14 -0500
Subject: New Subscriber...

Hi, everybody,

I'm new to this mailing list: Alf Breull (50), Hannover (Germany), psychologist, specialised in data analysis and psychosomatic research. If there is something in Germany, where I may be of some help, please contact me ...
Alf

Even if most of you have seen it already :-)

<http://www.accessone.com/~rivero/CRASH/TWA/RADAR/jradar.html>

A third object might be involved in the twa crash.

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'Beyond Roswell' - an un-abashed plug.

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 16:28:56 -0500
Subject: 'Beyond Roswell' - an un-abashed plug.

The dates for the publication of 'BEYOND ROSWELL' by Michael Hesemann & Philip Mantle has now been finalised.

This book will be published in the USA in May followed by June in Britain. Up-dates on other countries will follow in due course.

As most of you will probably already know this book will deal with the UFO crash at Roswell in 1947, MJ-12, Area 51 and of course the alien autopsy film. The book is extensively illustrated with over 100 photographs.

With a foreword by Dr. Jesse Marcel jnr BEYOND ROSWELL looks set to help continue the debate on everything connected to the Roswell UFO crash and the alien autopsy film.

Book reviewers and members of the media alike can request review copies of the book from:

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The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 21:46:06 -0500
Subject: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

While watching CNNs coverage of the San Diego suicides this afternoon I heard a 'cult-expert' mention 'Bo and Peep' and 'Te and Do' (as in the last two notes of the musical scale).

I wondered if any other UFO researcher picked-up on the reference as I looked for a back-issue of Vicki Cooper Ecker's UFO Magazine that featured UFO cults. Rebecca Schatte called me an hour later as I was keying the article below, asking if I "knew what the hell was going on?" She's in New Mexico and was frustrated by not being able to get at her archives at home - had heard the Bo and Peep reference and made the same connection.

My OCR software is not too swift and it took an hour or two to key Michael Miley's article below. It's quite prophetic, in the light of the events of the past few days.

ebk

There's a photograph at:

http://alpha.mic.dundee.ac.uk/ft/crop_circles/temp/tr8paradigm.html

From: UFO Magazine - A Forum on Extraordinary Theories and Phenomena
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Return of 'The Two'
by Michael Wiley

A 'classic UFO cult has re-surfaced, well after some sociological detective work traced the group's long - at time fragmentary - evolution of beliefs and practices. Despite bearing the 'cult' label, 'The Two' never used blatantly coercive techniques normally associated with the cultic milieu - a fact pointed out by the author and others who've studied the group.

In January of 1994, a group calling themselves Total Overcomers Anonymous (TOA) resurfaced on the American scene after 18 years out of the public eye. Some 24 people, those who had remained committed to the group from the first recruitment period of 1975 and 1976, went out to spread the Word of "true membership in the Evolutionary Level Above Human, the true 'Kingdom of God.'" Their message remained simple, though extreme: the last days of the biblical Apocalypse are now upon

us. It's time to give up your human life and all your attachments to family, possessions, sexual relations, and the like, and join TOA in a "human individual metamorphosis." TOA members live an ascetic lifestyle they believe will prepare them for ascension in a transformed body to "the literal heavens" via a UFO.

TOA Re-surfaces

Over the past year and a half, small groups of TOA members have been seen in cities as far-flung as Madison, Santa Fe, Seattle, and San Francisco, where meetings are held and new recruits made. Six members of TOA, in fact, gave a talk at Fort Mason, San Francisco on May 26, 1994, which I attended along with a couple of friends. I'd been intrigued by their flyer, which alluded to "space aliens and their final fight for Earth's spoils." At the meeting, however, I found their message unpalatable and their behavior robotic, and I left after the formal presentation, which took about an hour. I assume some people stayed for the question and answer period that followed. I don't know if anyone from San Francisco joined them.

Who are these people? And why should we care? For starters, TOA is not some invasion from the skies, but the creation of a middle-class Texas couple named Marshall Herff Applewhite and Bonnie Lu Nettles, also known as 'Bo' and 'Peep' or 'Do and 'Te' to their followers and the press (TOA was first covered in a UFO context by Jacques Vallee in 'Messengers of Deception: UFO Contacts and Cults', And/Or Press, Berkeley, CA, 1979.) But the bigger answer is more complex, with negative repercussions, I think, for potential new recruits, UFO researchers, and abductees alike.

'Earmarks of Cult'

TOA has all the earmarks of a cult, and the current 'metaphysical' climate in certain sectors of American society makes them dangerously susceptible to groups like these. TOA is in the process of a recruitment drive, and if its past history is any indication, new recruits will be culled from the same sub-culture of spiritual seekers and disaffected people as in the 1970s - with the possible addition of abductees who are confused by their experiences.

New recruits aside, TOA also offers debunkers and a poorly informed public a golden opportunity to tar the UFO community with a very broad brush. As the UFO phenomenon gains wider attention, so will UFO cults, and legitimate researchers and experiencers may find themselves in the unhappy position of being lumped together with groups like TOA.

This isn't as far-fetched as people might think. For example, when Harvard psychiatrist John Mack came out with his book 'Abductions', he was immediately branded by 'Time' magazine as a cult leader guilty of brainwashing his patients to believe in aliens. Similar allegations have been made of other ufologists and abduction therapists. Thus, it behooves the UFO community to know what Total Overcomers is about, and to gain some insight into the formation of cults.

Interviews with CAN, others

To that end, I contacted the Cult Awareness Network (CAN) in Chicago, and was given the names of three people who could give me some information about the group. The first person I spoke to at length was former executive director of CAN, Priscilla Coates, who followed the group in its early days, keeping track of them via accounts in the press (i.e., articles in 'The New York Times Magazine', 'Psychology Today' and 'Time', is an activist educator on the formation and ideology of cults.

The second person I spoke to was professor Robert Balch, a sociologist at the University of Montana who's done extensive research on TOA, and who, along with David Taylor, infiltrated the group in 1975, spending seven weeks travelling and living with them. Dr. Balch followed up this 'participant-observer' phase with extensive interviews of people who knew the founders prior to their creation of the group; he also interviewed some 43 group members, both during their membership and after their defection. Finally, I spoke with a mother whose son joined the group in May of '94, but whose concern for him requires her to remain anonymous. While I won't be quoting from my interviews with those folks for reasons of space, they inform my research.

Brief history of TOA

Balch and Taylor's studies of Total Overcomers Anonymous - also known as Human Individual Metamorphosis and the Next Level Crew - are extensive and various. The topics covered in their papers include analyses of the founders' spiritual awakening and the origins of their belief system; the beginnings of the group in Los Angeles in 1975; studies of TOA members' recruitment, conversion, and commitment, as well as their disillusionment and defection in the first few years; and changes introduced by the leaders in early 1976. Balch's most recent article, 'Waiting for the Ships', in 'The God's Have Landed, (State University of New York Press, 1995) includes the current revival phase of TOA and lists a complete bibliography of Balch and Taylor's previous articles on the group.

Using these papers as source material, as well as various magazine articles and TOA ads, I identified five phase in the history of TOA, periods I call the Personal, Crisis, Recruitment, Commitment, and Revivalist phases.

The Personal Phase.

This is the period of the founders' lives prior to their "spiritual awakening". When describing this phase, Balch is only able to provide a few details on Bonnie Lu Nettles' life prior to her emergence as 'Peep, because not much is know about her. We do know that when she met Herff Applewhite, she was a nurse in a Houston hospital. Although she'd been raised as a Baptist, when she met Herff Applewhite she was a member of the Houston Theosophical Society and belonged to a meditation group that channeled messages from discarnate spirits.

Complex profile of 'Bo'

Balch's description of Marshall Herff Applewhite, or 'Bo' is more extensive, and is a complex profile of an outwardly conventional but talented man who concealed a privately troubled existence full of sexual confusion, emotional trauma, and spiritual crisis. The son of an exacting Presbyterian minister Herff at first studied for the ministry, but later switched to music and earned a degree at the University of Colorado. After working briefly on the music faculty at the University of Alabama, during which time he got married and fathered two children, he divorced and moved back to Houston, a rift which occurred presumably as a result of secret homosexual liaisons he'd had during the time he was married.

In Houston he got a job at St. Thomas University to establish a Fine Arts program, where he was loved as a charismatic teacher and successful fund raiser. At the height of his career in 1970, however, he got involved in a scandal with the daughter of one of the trustees, and was fired from his job. This was the second major blow to Herff.

The Crisis Phase

After leaving St. Thomas, he got a job as music director in a local theatre, which didn't pay well. He had problems with his boss when he wouldn't show up at work, having laid awake at night hearing voices, which added to his spiritual confusion. In 1972, he met Bonnie and established a platonic relationship with her.

Bonnie introduced Herff to the world of New Age metaphysics, and together they established a short-live venture at a local Episcopal church, called the Christian Arts Center, where Herff directed a choir. There, Bonnie offered classes in astrology, mysticism, and Theosophy, wile Herff taught the performing arts.

Rumours of seances

When church members got wind of their activities, however, and rumours of seances surfaced in the press, they were asked to leave. For a short time then, the couple held classes in a house they called 'Knowplace', while they gradually became anti-social, becoming, according to Balch, "absorbed in a private world of visions, dreams, and paranormal experiences that included contacts with space being who urged them to abandon their worldly pursuits."

Then, in 1973, Herff and Bonnie left Houston and travelled around the country, camping and doing odd jobs to survive. This was a

time of much spiritual searching, and in letters to friends, they compared themselves to the two mystic characters 'Brother Sun/Sister Moon' who lived a life free of material possessions.

After much wandering, they eventually wound up on the Oregon coast, where they set up camp along the Rogue River in an isolated spot they called their "Hideaway". It was during this six-week period that they had their 'revelation' that they were, in fact, the two witnesses prophesied in the Book of Revelations, Chapter 11. According to that text, after they went out and spread the word, they would be assassinated; three days later, they would rise from the dead and 'ascend up to heaven in a cloud' (Revelations. 11:12), a reference they interpreted as a UFO.

Mission of 'Two Witnesses'

This period marks the fitful beginnings of their mission. Over the next few years, they travelled around the country, planting notes signed as 'The Two Witnesses' in churches around the country and visiting metaphysical bookstores and New Age centers, where they tried out their message on people, with mixed results. Gradually, their teaching solidified into the rigid, dualistic world view we've come to associate with TOA: the world is the site of a cosmic battle between good and evil, heaved and earth, the saved and the damned, and angels and Luciferians - a hybrid mixture of Christian beliefs and Herff's cursory readings on UFOs.

The Recruitment Phase

In the spring of 1975, Herff and Bonnie recruited 24 students of metaphysics in Los Angeles, California, and took on the names 'Bo' and 'Peep' to symbolise their role as space-age shepherds. Men and women were put together in platonic partnerships, much like their own, and told to spend most of their time with their partners "tuning in" to "the next level", while minimizing all socializing as being "too human".

By summer, Bo and Peep began sending their followers out on the road to be 'tested', a process that mixed proselytizing with begging church ministers for food and gas money. Meetings were advertised by posters across the country and Bo and Peep began alluding to the proposed 'demonstration' of their role as the Apocalyptic Two, where they'd be assassinated and rise from the dead. On the way to meeting in Chicago, however, two men infiltrated the group, looking for a friend who had joined in Oregon, and Bo and Peep, fearing an early assassination before all the 'ripe fruit' could be harvested, abandoned their plans to hold a meeting in Chicago and retreated to the wilderness. Followers were split up into small groups, each headed by two spokespeople, and were sent out to spread the message.

Sociologists infiltrate

At this time, Bach and Taylor joined one of the groups. Balch characterizes this period as one of rapid recruitment, chaos and defection, as the groups dispersed across the country, holding meetings and spreading the message. The sudden disappearance of Bo and Peep caused confusion in the ranks, as did the democratic organisation of many of the groups, where each individual's 'tuning-in' to the next level competed with everyone else's. Defection at this time was about 70 to 80 percent, according to Balch. This period extended to the summer of 1976, when a marked change toward extreme discipline coincided with the end of the first recruitment phase.

o The Commitment Phase

This phase was marked by a change in ideology, where the Two took the remaining group to a remote camp in the mountains near Laramie, Wyoming, and announced that the demonstration had been cancelled. They now ushered in an authoritarian regime, more in keeping with usual cult tactics, where all information from the 'next level' was channeled solely through Bo and Peep, through a so-called 'chain of mind'. As part of this more rigid structure, they now divided the members into circular camps know as 'star clusters', and each cluster was monitored by two inner circle members who were rotated from camp to camp.

Space-age language was pervasive throughout the groups. Bo and Peep's camp was called 'Central', trails to the parking area were

called 'docking zones' and a remote circle was established called the 'decontamination zone' where members went when they were fighting off 'evil spirits', Bo and Peep's name for doubts and negative emotions.

Regimented lifestyle

Daily life was made up of countless drills and exercises, where every minute of the day was accounted for. Staying in tune with the higher level meant eliminating 'human thoughts' a process helped by placing a tuning fork against the temple and concentrating on the note it produced. Members spent days without talking, using handwritten notes to communicate, and uniforms were sometimes worn, an outfit that included a nylon windbreaker, a hood with cloth-mesh eyes, and gloves in winter.

At this time, as a mark of the groups new effectiveness defections from the group decreased overall, to about 12 percent per year, according to Balch, although people who found the regime too hard were encouraged to leave, as when 19 of the least committed members were sent to Phoenix, Arizona, where they eventually dispersed.

Near the end of 1976, this harsh outdoor life came to an end when Bo and Peep came into money through two members' inheritances, a figure totalling more than \$300,000 . Houses were rented in Denver and in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, and the group dropped out of the public eye. During this long retreat, they've maintained a high level of secrecy and relative commitment, though 18 years of discipline have taken their toll. From a height of 88 members in the Wyoming days, only about 24 were left by 1993.

TOA's re-emergence -

o The Revivalist Phase

This phase governs the period from around May of 1993 to the present. Apparently, TOA's re-emergence into the public eye began with an ad placed in 'USA Today' on May 27, 1993, entitled 'UFO Cult Resurfaces with Final Offer'. The ad focuses on the groups beliefs though their message is more apocalyptic than ever before: "The Earth's present 'civilisation' is about to be recycled - 'spaded under'. Its inhabitants are refusing to evolve. The 'weeds' have taken over the garden and disturbed its usefulness beyond repair."

In January of 1994, the group started holding public meetings again and recruiting new members. By May, I saw their flyer in the Haight-Ashbury area in San Francisco, posted in a head shop window that also sports products with an alien theme.

TOA's flyer begins:

'UFOs, SPACE ALIENS, AND THEIR FINAL FIGHT FOR EARTH'S SPOILS

- o All reproducing space aliens - including mammalian and reptilian - use Earth's humans simply for their own interests (and have been for thousands of years.
- o They intentionally keep humans falsely 'programmed' or 'in the dark' - primarily through religious concepts - secondarily through reproductive and 'humanitarian' concepts.
- o They support these preoccupations by transmitting images and thoughts into Earth's atmosphere around the clock.
- o The 'Luciferians' abduct humans for genetic experimentation, 'rob' healthy human specimens for their own next 'suit of clothes' and induct humans into their service.
- o In spite of these facts, there is a true Kingdom of 'God' - a truly Evolutionary Kingdom Level Above Human...that exists in the literal Heavens...[etc.]

REPRESENTATIVES FROM THAT 'NEXT LEVEL'; WILL SPEAK AT 7:15PM THUR MAY 26TH, FORT MASON CENTER, LANDMARK BLDG C RM 205, SAN FRANCISCO.

One final note: though Peed died in 1985 from cancer, members viewed her death as her outgrowing the need for a "human

container" and consider her higher in the "chain of mind" than Bo. Her new status affords an even better connection to 'the Fathers' - a line through Peep, then Bo, on down to the members.

Since they're still waiting for the UFO to come and take them, the last chapter of TOA has not yet been written.

Cults and the metaphysical milieu

A full discussion of cult formation is beyond the scope of this article (readers are referred to Balch's work, as well as 'Cults in America: Programmed for Paradise', by Willa Appel, Henry Holt & Co, 1983, for starters), though it's clear that some basic characteristics of TOA are common to many cults: they have an authoritarian structure, true belief in a revealed system of truth that creates an 'us and them' mentality, they isolate their members from critical scrutiny by family and friends, and have strict code of acceptable behaviour that works to repress individual initiative and independent thinking.

Other questions that might be asked: What were the sources of Bo and Peep's UFO Beliefs? (One TOA paper I had read had a list of works by Wendelle Stevens, Leonard Stringfield, 'Fate Magazine' Berlitz and Moore's 'Roswell Incident' and MUFON status reports. How are we to evaluate Bonnie's channeling as a source for TOA's 'revealed truths' - indeed, any channeled sources? Are the current psycho-pathological models for the creation of a 'messiah complex' adequate, or do we need to develop a transpersonal model that can include genuine mystical experience? And more importantly, can we develop methods for comparing the transpersonal with psychotic material? And shouldn't we treat Christian belief systems, and the uses to which they're put, with the same sort of critical eye as we do any world view, whether religious or secular? All our cards should be put on the table.

Balch's insights

Despite these questions, Balch's work develops an important insight: Both the leaders and followers of TOA are part of a 'meta-physical sub-culture of middle class whites that includes New Age Spiritual seekers and members of the counter-culture who became disillusioned by the collapse of the idealism of the '60s (see 'Seekers and Saucers: The Role of the Cultic Milieu in Joining a UFO Cult', by Robert W. Balch and David Taylor, 'American Behavioral Scientist', Vol. 20 No. 6, July/August 1977).

Evidence Balch gained from over 40 interviews indicates that most of TOA's recruits were young people in their 20s, people he characterised as 'protean' types who'd gone from one 'trip' to another, and would continue to do so after they left TOA. Thus, recruitment to the TOA message was not such a stretch for many and hardly a process of brainwashing (though the commitment phase could be characterised as such). Indeed, TOA recruitment meetings are not a hard sell and in the meeting I attended, TOA members took pains to present a self-aware, intelligent, even humorous tone; they often refer to themselves as a cult, so as not to appear crazy to the audience. (Nonetheless, I found them authoritarian and rigid, especially in their use of programming language to describe nature and human beings.)

Spirituality, cynicism, conspiracy

But one thing is clear: in the mid-1990s, we're seeing a resurgence of this metaphysical sub-culture, with a new interest in psychedelics and alternative spirituality re-surfacing amidst a cynical political climate that fosters mistrust, paranoia and un-founded conspiracy theories.

Balch's portrait of Herff and Bonnie includes a poignant portrayal of Herff's psychology and his erratic, difficult life, one punctuated with a spiritual crisis that includes psychotic and paranormal components that left him with a messianic sense of self (though little is said about the source for Herff's UFO beliefs). This sits alongside a depiction Nettles as a spirit 'channeler' with her own 'familiar', a being she identified as St. Francis of Assisi. The point to be made here is that 'freelance' spiritual seeking can be a dangerous business in a sub-culture that provides only a provisional framework for understanding it, where the only spiritual tools used to make sense of the paranormal are poorly understood systems of the

occult.

The work of transpersonal psychologists Stanislav and Christina Grof shows just how stormy the 'search for self' can be and what pitfalls can lie along the way. And one of those pitfalls - especially when it come to deciphering the phenomenology of purported alien beings - is really conceptual: resorting to the good-and-evil dualisms of fundamentalist Christianity means you've abandoned a 'look/see' attitude in favour of ready-made answers.

'The Two' Herff and Bonnie, are not the first nor will they be the last to preach 'the final answer' to the UFO/alien phenomenon by ascribing it to evil spirits or fallen angels. In fact, a recent book 'Unmasking the Enemy' (Bendan Press, Arlington, Virginia, 1994 by Nelson Pacheco and Tommy Blann) takes up this view, demonising aliens and UFOs in much the same way TOA does.

Finally, any analysis of the roots of the 'metaphysical milieu' - this growing sub-culture 'ripe' for the influence of cults - must include a diagnosis of the dominant culture. That culture is ruled by science that has long held a materialist ideology. In a world, however, where the paranormal cannot be an object of true scientific inquiry because, by definition, it's not clearly physical - an attitude taken by UFO skeptics and non-skeptics alike - a shadow is cast across the culture, where the negated aspects of reality are left to the vagaries of freelance 'metaphysics'.

Small wonder then, that cults have a context to flourish in, when scientific materialism itself has been a kind of cult. Fortunately, that world view is changing, with both quantum physics and transpersonal psychology now postulating other dimensions, accessible (we hope) to a questioning and a systematic inquiry.

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SAN FRANCISCO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 27, 1997--Wired News
(www.wired.com) reports that someone possibly involved in the mass
suicide in Southern California spent months cruising through Usenet
newsgroups posting a single apocalyptic message:

"How and When the door to the Physical Kingdom Level Above Human May
Be Entered Organized Religions Are Killers of Souls UFO's & Space
Aliens -- Sorting Good from Bad Final Warning for Possible Survivors"

The messages are signed www.heavensgate.com -- the url to one of the
sites reportedly run by Higher Source, a company that developed Web
sites, but also the employer of 39 people found dead Wednesday in a
mansion in Rancho Sante Fe, just north of San Diego. More tellingly,
the return email address on many of the posts is rep@heavensgate.com,
which is the address of the site's administrative contact registered
with InterNic.

As strong as their presence on the Internet is, the cult's online
presence appears to have been just as mysterious as its life in Rancho
Santa Fe. The phone number listed with InterNic for that site turns out
to be a Days Inn hotel in Santa Monica, Calif., and the name, Chris
Knight, may be false as well. The desk clerk said there is no record of
anyone by that name staying there.

The group's other Web site, www.highersource.com, is registered to
Ben A. Guiat -- which is the name of a typeface. The email address is
font@cris.com. The address and phone number belong to a Ramada Inn in
Denver. The desk clerk there said he never heard of such a person.

The Higher Source site, which is no longer reachable, was an
everyday-looking site offering Web-design services. The Heaven's Gate
site, which several news organizations are reporting was run by the
same group, told of the group-members' intention to die so they could
board a spaceship they said was hiding behind the Hale Bopp comet. The
group apparently told the same story on two videotapes they gave to a
former member, according to NBC News.

Neighbors of the group near the rented mansion in Rancho Sante Fe
said the group appeared to be a religious cult. Police said 39 bodies
were found in the house, all wearing the same type of clothes.

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Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 19:42:21 -0500
From: <naclip@www.NewsAlert.com>
To: stigandi <Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk>
Subject: News Story

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Ufomind Link Page Created for Suicides

From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 09:38:07 -0800
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 21:54:50 -0500
Subject: Ufomind Link Page Created for Suicides

There appears to be a UFO connection to yesterday's mass suicides in Rancho Sante Fe.

I got calls this morning from AP and Inside Edition wanting to know about the Hale-Bopp comet. It seems that the group has made some claims on its web sites about the alleged companion object and this may play some factor in their suicides.

That's enough to justify adding a link page for the suicides to the Ufomind site. You can find this page at:

<http://www.ufomind.com/ufo/place/us/ca/ranchosantefe/>

Readers are encouraged to add links to this page for any interesting documents, preferably those that concern alien or conspiracy connections.

Glenn Campbell
Ufomind Webmaster

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Linda case - And now... The weather

From: "Klemm - Pamela S." <psklemm@umd5.umd.edu>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 17:44:25 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 21:53:30 -0500
Subject: Linda case - And now... The weather

This gets kind of tricky because you are talking about the weather for the night of the 29th and the early morning of the 30th. According to the New York Times:

Nov. 29th: The weather was supposed to be mostly sunny and windy with highs of 35. "Tonight" was predicted to be mostly clear and quite cold. Low was supposed to be 20.

New moon was on the 28th, so it would have been dark.

The weather page on the 30th indicated there had been no rain in the last 24 hours. There is nothing on either map to indicate fog, BUT these are not your regular isobaric maps, so I don't know if they normally would show fog if it was present.

Personally, it looks to me like it was clear, cold and windy. I wouldn't have wanted to be on the beach in a nightie....

Pam

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Hubble and IUE Hale-Bopp Observations Surprise

From: NASANews@hq.nasa.gov
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 16:37:07 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 22:06:00 -0500
Subject: Hubble and IUE Hale-Bopp Observations Surprise

Donald Savage
Headquarters, Washington, DC
(Phone: 202/358-1547) March 27, 1997

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HUBBLE AND IUE HALE-BOPP OBSERVATIONS SURPRISE ASTRONOMERS

Completing an unprecedented year-long study of Comet Hale-Bopp using two NASA observatories, the Hubble Space Telescope and the International Ultraviolet Explorer, astronomers report that they are surprised to find that the different ices in the nucleus seem to be isolated from each other. They also report seeing unexpectedly brief and intense bursts of activity from the nucleus during the monitoring period. The Hubble observations suggest that the nucleus is huge, 19 to 25 miles across.

The findings, by a team of scientists led by Johns Hopkins astrophysicist Dr. Harold Weaver, are being published in the March 28 issue of the journal Science.

"Hale-Bopp will probably provide the most revealing portrait of the workings of a cometary nucleus since the spacecraft missions to comet Halley in 1986," said Weaver. "This is a unique opportunity; we have never had the chance to examine a comet in this much detail, over this large a range of distance from the Sun."

The key results:

Violent Eruptions on the Comet's Surface

During the course of long-term observations, which began in August 1995, astronomers unexpectedly caught the comet going through a sudden brief outburst, where, in little more than an hour, the amount of dust being spewed from the nucleus increased at least eight-fold. "The surface of Hale-Bopp's nucleus must be an incredibly dynamic place, with 'vents' being turned on and off as new patches of icy material are rotated into sunlight for the first time," Weaver said.

A Complex, Mottled Nucleus

To their surprise, astronomers found that water ice sublimates (turns directly from a frozen solid into a gas) at a different rate than the trace ices, implying that those components are not contained within the water on the comet. This conclusion is further supported by Hubble data showing that the rate at which

dust left the nucleus was much different than the sublimation rate of water. This result is contrary to previous models for a comet's nucleus, which suggest that the trace components, such as carbon disulfide ice, are contained inside of the most abundant ice on the comet, frozen water. As water sublimates, the trace components and dust should be released at similar rates, but this is not what Hubble observed.

A Monstrous Nucleus

By studying Hubble Space Telescope images, the astronomers have estimated that its nucleus may be about 19 to 25 miles in diameter. The average comet is thought to have a nucleus of about three miles in diameter, or even smaller. The comet or asteroid that struck the Earth 65 million years ago, possibly causing the extinction of the dinosaurs, was probably about six to nine miles across.

Because Hale-Bopp was unusually bright when it was still a great distance away, well outside the orbit of Jupiter, it has given scientists their best view ever of the changes in a comet's nucleus as it gets closer to, and is progressively heated by, the Sun. Those changes, in turn, provide information about the composition and structure of comets, which are believed to be remnants from the formation of the solar system, about 4.6 billion years ago. Learning more about comets can provide important information about the materials and processes that formed the solar system.

The Space Telescope Science Institute is operated by the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy, Inc. (AURA), for NASA, under contract with the Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, MD. The Hubble Space Telescope is a project of international cooperation between NASA and the European Space Agency (ESA).

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Re: Chinese UFO Research?

From: **Michael Hesemann** <100660.3672@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 27 Mar 97 20:40:14 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 22:55:40 -0500
Subject: Re: Chinese UFO Research?

>Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 03:31:14 +0000
>From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: CHINESE UFO RESEARCH

>Dear colleagues,

>Could anyone please put me in touch, preferably by e-mail, with either an
>individual researcher or UFO researcher group in China.

Dear Phil,

Prof. Sun Shi Li is head of the Chinese UFO organization

Wendelle Stevens can give you his address! He's in
constant contact with him.

Greetings, Mike

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Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

From: jan@cyberzone.net (Jan Aldrich)
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 22:56:46 -0800
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 08:27:28 -0500
Subject: Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

UFO UpDates - Toronto posted:

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> [snip]

Earlier today I heard one newscast that said this group was waiting for the signal of two comets. But Hale-Bopp was finally determined to be good enough. Then, the news mentioned something about Bo and Peep.

On a later newscast just about an hour ago Marshall Applewhite was identified as one of the leaders of the cult.

A recycle of his earlier activities, but this time with deadly results??? Perhaps someone on the West Coast has better information?

Jan Aldrich

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Re: Top Ten Reasons...

From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 13:26:33 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 08:25:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Top Ten Reasons...

> Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 15:29:55 -0600 (CST)
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
> Subject: Top Ten Reasons
=20
> The Top Ten Reason Scientists Don=92t Study UFOs:
=20
> And the Number One reason why scientists don=92t study UFOs:

> "Sagan says so!"

> =97 Dennis Stacy

One does not always practice what one preaches and Carl Sagan was no exception to this rule. How many people are aware that Carl Sagan did research looking for evidence of alien contact in historical writings. Sagan identified a Sumerian legend which he felt met several criteria for evidence of ancient alien contact although by no means did he consider it conclusive evidence. =20

Interestingly Sagan did his research and wrote about this ten years before Zecharia Sitchin published his own interpretation of Sumerian legends and history.

You might wish to read about Sagans research in his book -

Intelligent Life in the Universe by Carl Sagan and I.S. Shklovskii published in 1966.=20

It was available through my local library system.

Gary

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Re: How to Order Copy of RAND Report

From: Gary <galevy@pipeline.com>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 13:04:03 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 08:23:40 -0500
Subject: Re: How to Order Copy of RAND Report

> Date: Wed, 26 Mar 1997 19:35:01 -0800
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> From: campbell@ufomind.com (Glenn Campbell, Las Vegas)
> Subject: How to Order Copy of RAND Report

> To: akazero@pe.net
> Cc: Margaret_Schumacher@rand.org, order@rand.org
> Subject: Re: Request for report.
> Date: Tue, 25 Mar 97 22:14:20 PST
> From: Peg Schumacher <pege@rand.org>

> Please accept my apologies for the delay in replying to your request
> for a copy of George Kocher's 1968 RAND internal study, "UFOs: What to
> Do?" We are now releasing the document to the public at a cost of
> \$5.50, plus \$3.00 for postage and handling.

I think it is interesting to note that this report has been available from CUFOS, for a number of years. Its even less expensive from Cufos! The Cufos version also adds some letters which document how the Air Force denied that the report was written for it. There is also documentation which shows that RAND denied it had done research on UFOs or had anything available on this topic for external distribution (which of course it did not at this time). Perhaps Glenn Campbell can shed some light on how it has come to pass that RAND is now willing to sell this document to the public.

CUFOS
2457 W. Peterson Avenue
Chicago, IL 60659
(312) 271-3611

George Kocker's UFOs: What to Do? costs \$4.50 + 1.30 postage and handling

If you find the report disappointing don't say you weren't warned. Perhaps the only thing interesting about it is that its existence for external distribution outside RAND was denied for a number of years. What would be interesting to learn is how it came to be written - who contracted for the report, background on George Kocher, distribution list, etc. If anyone has further information on this I would appreciate it.

Gary

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Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

From: Don Allen <dona@totcon.com>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 23:27:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 08:53:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

At 09:51 PM 3/27/97 -0500, Stig wrote:

>From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
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>former member, according to NBC News.

The "Higher Power" site is still up, contrary to the above quoted paragraph.

The URL is <http://www7.concentric.net/~Font/> and is also a link off of CNN's site as background material. I also checked on the <http://www.heavensgate.com>, another of the cult's Web sites and it's still up too. I couldn't get in it as obviously many many people are checking it out now.

So, now we know the rest of the "Bo" and "Peep" story. How utterly tragic. I suppose we'll be seeing a lot more of this "millennial madness" as we get closer to the year 2000.

This cult tragedy doesn't bode well for UFology. I can just imagine all the background pieces that will be aired in the next few days as the overpaid media talking heads put a chilling and conspiratorial spin on the "UFO nuts".

Wunnerful. :-)

Don

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CNI News - 'Mass Suicide Linked to Decades-Old

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Feature Story of the Week

MASS SUICIDE LINKED TO DECADES-OLD UFO CULT
Leader Marshall Applewhite Is "Bo" of Notorious "Bo and Peep"
By Michael Lindemann

The quasi-religious cult group publicly known as The Higher Source orchestrated an elaborate suicide ritual to "shed their containers" (bodies) and move to a higher level of existence, where they believed they would meet beings in a spacecraft trailing Comet Hale-Bopp. Thirty-nine members of the group, including their leader, quietly took their own lives in a mansion in the secluded community of Rancho Santa Fe, near San Diego, California.

CNI News has confirmed that the reclusive elder leader of the suicide group, referred to in news reports as "Father John," is Marshall Applewhite, who with his one-time partner Bonnie Lu Nettles founded a highly regimented UFO contact cult in 1975. Applewhite and Nettles became known as "Bo and Peep," but inside their secretive group they also were known as "Do and Ti." Their followers sometimes referred to them simply as "The Two."

In the late 1970s, after several failed predictions of mass UFO landings and dashed hopes of being "beamed up" by space brothers from a higher dimension, Bo and Peep disappeared from public view. Peep, aka Nettles, died of cancer in 1985. But their following, never large but always well-funded and fiercely loyal, resurged strongly in the early 1990s.

In 1993, under the new name "Total Overcomers Anonymous," Applewhite and his followers placed a nearly full-page ad in USA Today. The headline ran, "UFO Cult Resurfaces with Final Offer." The ad explained that the group was in the process of a last round of recruitment, in preparation for a great transition to a higher level of existence.

"Earth's present 'civilization' is about to be recycled -- 'spaded under,'" the ad proclaimed. "It's inhabitants are refusing to evolve. The 'weeds' have taken over the garden and disturbed its usefulness beyond repair."

Sometime between 1993 and 1997, Total Overcomers apparently evolved into the outward business known as Higher Source, behind which was the millennialist cult known as Heaven's Gate. Applewhite's leadership style is everywhere apparent, in the tight discipline, the uniform dress, the immaculate house, and the language of the cult's web site and videotaped farewell messages.

The Heaven's Gate website (www.heavensgate.com) described the group's desire to leave Earth and rendezvous with a spaceship for a trip to "the Kingdom of Heaven."

"Whether Hale-Bopp has a 'companion' or not is irrelevant from our perspective," the site proclaims. "However, its arrival is joyously very significant to us at 'Heaven's Gate.' The joy is that our Older Member in the Evolutionary Level Above Human (the

'Kingdom of Heaven') has made it clear to us that Hale-Bopp's approach is the 'marker' we've been waiting for -- the time for the arrival of the spacecraft from the Level Above Human to take us home to 'Their World' -- in the literal Heavens. Our 22 years of classroom here on planet Earth is finally coming to conclusion -- 'graduation' from the Human Evolutionary Level. We are happily prepared to leave 'this world' and go with Ti's crew."

The term "Ti's crew" suggests that the group believed "Ti," aka "Peep" or Nettles, having already "graduated," is on board the spacecraft awaiting their arrival.

Thus it seems clear that this mass suicide, gruesomely bizarre to the uninitiated, was fervently embraced by Applewhite's group as a long-awaited release from earthly existence. The appearance of Comet Hale-Bopp afforded a convenient trigger, but was in no way the cause.

The suicide scene indicated that all the deceased were willing participants. When found, the 39 bodies appeared serene. Each person apparently reclined on a cot or bed after ingesting a drug and fell asleep. The chest and head of each person were draped in purple cloth. None of the bodies showed any wounds or signs of struggle.

Among the weirder aspects of the event is the likelihood that the suicides occurred in three phases over a period of several days. By the time the bodies were discovered, the house was already filled with a horrifying stench of decaying flesh.

The exact cause of death will not be known until autopsies are performed. According to experts, this is the largest mass suicide in U.S. history, and also only the second time in history that a person's death can be directly linked to a comet.

(The first, in 1402, involved Italian prince John Visconti, who was told by his astrologers that a comet's appearance would bring him ill fortune. When the comet actually did appear, Visconti collapsed from fear and died.)

Houston, Texas amateur astronomer Chuck Shramek appeared on Art Bell's late-night radio program "Coast to Coast" last fall and described a possible "Saturn-like object" that he had photographed in the vicinity of Comet Hale-Bopp.

In the weeks following Shramek's original report, speculation ran rampant on the internet that the comet might be accompanied by a huge UFO, though Shramek himself never made such a claim.

In the wake of the mass suicide, Shramek has been besieged by phone calls from the national press. However, there is no indication that members of The Higher Source were ever in contact with Shramek, or that he knew anything about the group.

Most of the dead were in their twenties, and all apparently lived and worked together in the mansion where they died. Outwardly, The Higher Source was a business that specialized in designing high quality web sites. Clients and neighbors of the group said that all the Higher Source members were clean-cut, well-groomed, intelligent, quiet and seemingly happy people.

Several visitors to the home told investigators that the Higher Source members referred to themselves as monks and treated the nine-bedroom mansion as a temple, requiring outsiders to replace their shoes with booties when they entered.

They called each other "brother" and "sister," and reportedly called Applewhite "Father John."

Nick Matzorkis, a Beverly Hills businessman who employs a former member of the Higher Source group identified only as Rio, said on Thursday that someone from the cult sent Rio two videotapes this week that described their intentions. Rio received the videotapes by mail Tuesday evening, Matzorkis said. One video was a statement by Applewhite, identified in that instance as "Doe." The other video contained each member's taped farewells.

Matzorkis told ABC's "Good Morning America" that he and Rio discussed the videos on Wednesday, then went to the house. Rio went in and found the bodies.

"When he came out he was as white as a sheet.... At that point no one else in the world essentially knew this had taken place," Matzorkis told ABC. He said they then notified police.

The work of removing the bodies from the mansion began Wednesday afternoon and proceeded through the night into Thursday morning. Autopsies will be performed over the next several days. The names of the deceased are being withheld pending notification of kin.

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Foundation of Cult Investigated

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AT LAST THE MEDIA IS GETTING THE PICTURE... but would you call them a UFO CULT?

Rebecca

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By RON HARRIS
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - The mass suicide in Rancho Santa Fe, Calif., may have its roots in another cult-like following that surfaced in California more than 20 years ago.

In 1975, hundreds of residents from California, Colorado, New Mexico and Oregon left family and belongings behind to join a group headed by Marshall H. Applewhite and Bonnie Lu Trusdale Nettles.

The leader of the Rancho Santa Fe cult may be Applewhite, who co-founded a group known as the ``UFO Cult'' with Nettles, an astrologer, after they met in a psychiatric hospital where she was working as a nurse.

Nettles died in 1985, and Applewhite may have been among the dead found in the hilltop mansion on Wednesday: his date of birth has been listed as May 17, 1931, making him 65, and the list provided by the medical examiners office includes a 66-year-old male.

Applewhite taught music in the 1960s before meeting Nettles. In the 1970s, they referred to themselves as ``The Two,'' ``The Him and the Her,'' and ``Bo and Peep.'' More recently, they were known as ``Ti and Do.''

The Rancho Santa Fe group's Heaven's Gate web site also refers to its founders as ``The Two,'' and says they began ``rounding up their crew in '75.''

Years ago, ``The Two'' held various meetings at public locations throughout the western United States, promising followers celestial bliss and a ride in a UFO.

They called their group Human Individual Metamorphosis, or HIM, and convinced many listeners to shed their personal belongings, relationships and children to prepare for the trip.

Cult expert Margaret Singer said she has interviewed several Applewhite followers since the 1970s, including one former cult member a few years ago.

``He said they had sent them around from city to city to await the coming of a spaceship to pick them up,'' said Singer, a professor at the University of California at Berkeley.

Similarly, an advertisement announcing a HIM meeting in San Jose in 1975 explains ``The opportunity is here, when we as humans can fully evolve into a higher being. There is now on this planet two people from the high level, UFO Beings here to help us and many

others with this transition.'

The similarities between the beliefs of the HIM followers and those associated with the Heaven's Gate cult in Rancho Santa Fe appear rooted in an odd belief system incorporating UFOs and biblical Scripture.

The Heaven's Gate Web site says ``our Older Member in the Evolutionary Level above human (the `Kingdom of Heaven') has made it clear to us that Hale-Bopp's approach is the `marker' we've been waiting for.'' The passage also proposes ``graduation' from the Human Evolutionary Level.'

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Also on the Heaven's Gate Web site was the prediction that ``before that spacecraft comes, one or more of us could lose our physical vehicles (bodies) due to `recall,' accident or at the hands of some irate individual.'

Similarly, ``The Two'' distributed fliers saying they would die and then be resurrected. They later told talk-show host Victor Boc at KOME radio in San Jose that they would be assassinated within the next two months.

Bob Thompson, a computer programmer at the University of Oregon who had attended some meetings, recalled ``The Two'' talking in vague biblical terms. ``The implication was that you might leave in a UFO,' ' Thompson said in 1975.

In 1974, Applewhite was arrested for auto theft in Harlingen, Texas. The arresting officer, Capt. Joseph Vasquez, told The Associated Press that Applewhite appeared nervous and evasive.

``When he started talking all this outer space stuff, I ran his license because he seemed kind of strange,' ' Vasquez said Thursday. ``He had a following of people who were supposed to meet him on top of a mountain in Colorado.'

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Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

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Errol:

The TV is now reporting that the "cult leader" was definitely Marshall Herff Applewhite, aka Herff, aka Bo, aka Do. In addition, there's an excellent article on the now-deceased "Two" in Jerome Clark's UFO Encyclopedia, Vol. III, p. 477.

An illuminating quote from Clark on how these fun people used to operate:

"Followers were to monitor each other's activities to check for violations of Bo and peep's 'thousands of rules.' Sometimes they were required to wear hoods for extended periods; they had to wear gloves at all times. The only words they were allowed to speak were "yes", "no", and "I don't know."... sometimes members were directed to sit and stare at a single object for an hour." Nope, don't sound like mind control to me, do it?

Bruce W.

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> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: CHINESE UFO RESEARCH

> Dear colleagues,

> Could anyone please put me in touch, preferably by e-mail, with either an
> individual researcher or UFO researcher group in China.

Philip,

Have you tried contacting MUFON? I have had great success in locating representatives in other countries by contacting Walt Andrus. Drop him an email at MUFONHQ@aol.com

I'm sure whoever is doing the email will pass your request on.

Thanks
Rebecca

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Re: Mass Suicide and AFOSI

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In the unending day long coverage of the mass suicide in California, much was made of the UFO angle to the story, and of the question of how 39 people could actually do such a thing.

One comment was made that if 39 people had suddenly died of some strange disease the government would have spent millions to find a solution, whereas in the case of cults the government has spent nothing.

In this particular cult situation, perhaps exactly the opposite has happened. Perhaps the government did spend money. The question is: Did they spend money to make it worse?

Any ufologist who was around in the 70s, and who had even a general knowledge of what was going on in the UFO community were aware of who Bo and Peep were. Now we learn that Marshall Applewhite (then known as Bo) is the leader of the group that has suddenly become as famous in California as O.J.

Most ufologists are also aware that various government departments have files on UFOs - sometimes lots of files. Some are aware that departments such as the FBI also have files on ufologists. One formally prominent California ufologist Bill Moore (co-author of the Roswell Incident) in 1988 had an FBI file that was 61 pages long, and of which the FBI would only release 6 pages to Mr. Moore. Stanton Friedman, another prominent researcher, has stated the FBI won't even release his.

The FBI has also has files on such unknown UFO personalities as Mrs. Francis Swan and others. The question is "Does the FBI have a file on Bo and Peep?" I think it would be a safe bet. What did the FBI do with that information? Who did they share it with? Did they track the group up to March 26, 1997 when the suicide headline appeared?

One of the agencies that the FBI might have shared it's information with is the AFOSI or the Air Force Office of Special Investigations. More than any other agency this group seems to have a special interest in those characters who make up the world of ufology.

Prior to 1969 the AF ran Project Blue Book which was supposed to be the government effort to solve the UFO mystery. In Dec 1969 they shut down the program stating that there was no evidence that UFOs were Extraterrestrial, and naturally they didn't pose any threat to National Security. In 1985 they added that there were never any bodies or crashed flying saucers at WPAFB. End of story. Not quite.

It appears from the evidence that the AFOSI still had some interest in the UFO problem, but the focus seemed to have changed. While Blue Book was still operational the Air Force would deal with the evidence, and send out a press release after every major sighting that the cause was a weather balloon, star, or whatever other natural phenomena popped into their heads that day. This, however, required personnel, money, and an active imagination to come up with something that won't have the reporters rolling on the floor.

The approach after Blue Book was to deal with the messenger of the report, or more importantly the researcher who was gathering the report. As you will see this worked much better.

The AFOSI describes their role on their Internet page as criminal investigation and counter-intelligence. There's not much criminal about UFO investigation, so it would appear that the interest in UFOs lies in

the area of counter-intelligence.

Robert M. Collins, a former Captain with the USAF (AFWL/AWPP) reports in a Usenet article " Disinformation & SA's Lying by the Book 92' " states that the Air Force has an office known as AFOSI/PJ - otherwise known as the Pajama Gang, whose job it is to run counter-intelligence against the UFO community, and in particular those who are attracting attention. This is done according to Collins to protect the classified information.

Now what has this to do with the suicides in San Diego? In Collins article he mentions a document that was leaked to Bill Moore in 1983 from the AFOSI/PJ office that Moore after some research determined to be false. Because of Moore's prominent role in the publication of the Roswell Incident in the summer of 1980, he was contacted in Sept 1980 by a high ranking intelligence person connected to AFOSI who promised Moore a look inside the US government Top Secret UFO program.

In 1989 at the MUFON conference in Las Vegas Nevada, Bill Moore told a stunned audience exactly how he was used by AFOSI, named some of the people who had been targeted by AFOSI, and worst, what happened to some of those that were targeted.

Of particular interest is Moore's description of what AFOSI did to Paul Bennewitz. Bennewitz was a businessman whose building was just outside of the Kirkland AFB. Bennewitz became involved in a sequence of events that culminated in 1980 with recordings of strange electrical activities and films being taken of strange aerial phenomena rising out of the Sandia Military reservation. When AFOSI was finished with him he was convinced that there was a war between good and bad aliens, aliens were killing humans, and that the aliens were out to get him. He ended up in the hospital, a broken man.

Moore knows this because Moore played a part in destroying Bennewitz. "My role in the affair," said Moore, "was largely that of a freelancer providing information on Paul's current thinking and activities." Moore went along with the efforts by AFOSI officer Richard Doty and his boss Col. Hennessey to destroy Bennewitz because as he stated, "I was in a rather unique position. There I was with my foot...in the door of a secret counter-intelligence game that gave every indication of being somehow directly connected to a high level UFO project..."

The AFOSI had played on Bennewitz's weaknesses and destroyed him. Bennewitz had quite a following of people interested in his pictures and tape-recordings. When it was all over Bennewitz and those who researched his material were discredited with their AFOSI stories of evil aliens about to take over the world.

In addition to Bennewitz, Moore rattled off a whole list of names of researchers who had been targeted by AFOSI, and stated that he was aware of three researchers who were doing the same thing as he was for AFOSI.

The AFOSI seemed to be interested in everything that happened in the world of Ufology, and also seemed to be determined to set each person or group on their ear with leaked stories or phoney documents. Their interest seemed to be to feed bizarre tales to the fringe element which in turn made all of Ufology like some kind of circus. The question is: Did their long list of hits include Bo and Peep, and their group of followers? There is little chance that they didn't have a file on Bo and Peep who were actively recruiting in the 1970s, and again in the 1990s.

Let's compare the beliefs of Marshall Applegate's San Diego cult to the stories that have been, and still are, being put out by un-named GOVERNMENT sources.

Applegate's group had a belief in a war between the aliens. There were the bad aliens, called the 'Luciferians', and the good aliens that they told people they were going to help.

As I have stated already Bennewitz was fed this story, but a more detailed version of the story was told to Emmy Award Winning Film Producer Linda Moulton Howe on the Kirkland Air Force Base on April 9, 1983. AFOSI was, at the time, promising Linda Howe footage of a prearranged landing of a UFO at a US Air Force Base, and all sorts of other unbelievable things for a movie she was producing for HBO. The story was told by AFOSI member Richard Doty while they were in his boss's office. Howe was told that there has a war between the blondes (who Doty described as the bad guys) and the greys who he described as the good guys. He went into great detail of how the war started and who won.

Applewhite's group believed that the end of the world was near and that

an alien ship hiding behind the Hale-Bopp comet was coming to earth. Applegate's pitch to people was that this was the last chance. They made numerous references to the Book of Revelations.

In 1989 I made a phone call to Bill Steinman who was a very aggressive Ufologist in Los Angeles. Bill was noted for his ability to find people and his lack of fear in talking to them. He had 100s of hours of tape and enormous files. He was famous for receiving the letter from Dr. Robert Sarbacher, formally of the Research and Development Board, in which Sarbacher confirmed the Americans had recovered a downed flying saucer.

I was about to get down to business, when Bill said, "Grant. I've quit. I'm destroying all my files. I don't wish to talk about UFOs anymore." I immediately contacted a researcher who had co-authored a book with Steinman and he told me Bill believes the world is about to end. It's to happen in 2 years. He added that John Lear, another prominent researcher from Las Vegas was also quitting. The grey aliens had taken over, and according to Lear it was all over except the screaming.

After a long search I finally got Steinman's source for this end of the world tale - 6 un-named government sources. Lear also claimed numerous government contacts, perhaps the same ones.

Compare that story to one that is prominent at this very moment. Also keep in mind that March 24 was the day that Applewhite's followers made the rounds telling people that they were "leaving."

The present day tale is related by Richard Boylan a former clinical psychologist. Boylan claims to be in contact with a group of high ranking government people "working on various aspects of UFO research and policy." They are anonymous and usually go by various bird names, and are called the Aviary. Research done by various researchers identify members of the group to include Ron Pandolfi (CIA) John Alexander (Los Alamos National Labs) Cmdr.C.B Scott Jones, PH.D, USN (Ret) former aide to Sen. Claiborne Pell, Dr. Christopher Green MD (CIA). Others have claimed to be in contact with the Aviary including former AF Capt. Robert M. Collins who has also published the following story that the Aviary is putting out to researchers.

The story is supposedly told by the 'Beltway Throat' on behalf of the others. Tell me this doesn't sound like it came out of Applewhite's mouth. "...the ETs will return in a formal pre-planned landing on April 24, 1997 (Applewhite's date is March 24) in the Southwest USA, probably on public land probably in the vicinity of White Sands missile range... (many of the Aviary are connected to the military and thus the spin on the location) there is one 'Horseman of the Apocalypse left to arrive. The other three, War, Famine and Pestilence have unarguably already arrived on earth. The remaining horseman is the 'White Rider Wearing the Crown', which is interpreted to mean the second coming..."

Add to this comments by Robert M. Collins from his article (Collins claims contact with the Aviary as well) 'Yellow Book Report??. "It is reported the predicted extraterrestrial landing on Thursday April 24, 1997 is a precursor to a 1998 series of cataclysms. Furthermore, the 1997 Landing is the last chance for the Powers that Be (human governments to allow their populations to know about the extraterrestrial visitation...** Have heard this same story reported from other key sources."

The examples could continue, but the point is that in every case the source of the story is someone connected to the United States Government.

The media, in its chase for this story, must take a serious look at what the various government agencies knew about this group, and whether or not they had any contact. History has shown that AFOSI has been involved with every major Ufologist in the last 25 years, and has shown a great desire to put a spin on every story.

As for the field of Ufology. We must not accept information from government sources. When will we learn that lesson? Most researchers consider UFOs to be the most highly classified secret in the country. How can they in the same breath believe that some government agent is going to violate his security clearance to tell them the 'Ultimate Secret'?

Hopefully the government didn't try to manipulate this cult. Past events, however, indicate that we better check the possibility closely.

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Hello everyone,

As most of you will by now know the gremlins got into issue {71} of the e-zine. For some unknown reason (thanks to those who mailed me about it) the below reports were missing from part 1 of issue {71}

Enjoy

Best wishes

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Alien Antarctica

'Living' rocks could provide vital clues to the existence of life on other planets

When the SF writer Kim Stanley Robinson wanted to experience living on an alien planet, where else could he go but Antarctica? During the Antarctic spring the acclaimed author of the Mars Trilogy made a six week trip to American bases at McMurdo Sound and the South Pole, as well as joining a field trip to the Shackleton glacier.

"In some details I would have written the Martian books differently after being there," he says. "Things like what it feels like to be really cold, what it looks like when you're in a valley that has nothing but rock."

Fierce conditions during his South Pole stay stranded him at the base: "It was like being in a space station," he remarks. Robinson, currently writing a book on his experiences, isn't alone in considering the continent the closest place on earth to outer space.

World space agencies use the experiences of Antarctic dwellers as case studies of the likely hazards of long-duration stays in orbit or beyond.

NASA are working with US and Australian bases to research evidence that prolonged Antarctic living can suppress immune responses; BAS has been monitoring disease transmission at its bases for the European Space Agency. Russia is interested in the effects of extreme isolation.

But Antarctic visitors consider themselves more than prototype astronauts. "The uniqueness of living in Antarctica can be overstated," argues Dr Dougal Goodman, BAS Deputy Director. "A more apt comparison is to oil platforms. "In both environments you've got steel platforms standing on ice or the sea. All supplies must be flown in, and for long periods there's no escape from the immediate surroundings."

There is one particular segment of the Antarctic environment so inhospitable that NASA scientists use it to test Viking Mars landers. The Dry Valleys are ice-free zones found in the southern part of the continent. The combination of dry air and Katabatic winds running down the valleys means they are almost entirely desiccated: seal mummies millions of years old have been found there.

Dr David Wynn-Williams of BAS has studied lifeforms that cling to existence in Dry Valleys: algae, lichens and fungi. At higher altitudes, as conditions worsen, they adopt some startling survival techniques. "They are called endolithic organisms - microbes that have actually retreated inside rocks to shelter," explains Wynn-Williams. Inside certain stones you will find an arrangement of organisms working together for survival.

"Blackish lichens a millimetre below the surface still receive enough light for photosynthesis, but are protected against harmful bleaching and UV damage," says Wynn Williams. "Beneath them is a white layer of fungi which are not dependent on light but break down the rock to release inorganic nutrients.

"The innermost layer contains shade-adapted micro-algae which provide the organic nutrients essential for life."

It's a delicate arrangement - just turning a rock upside down will kill everything inside it but it demonstrates the lengths life will go to perpetuate itself. Wynn-Williams believes the discovery has great relevance to the search for life beyond our own planet. .

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BRITISH ANTARCTIC SURVEY A comprehensive guide to the work done in Britain's bases, scientific programs and comprehensive links. <http://www.nerc-bas.ac.uk/>

AUSTRALIAN ANTARCTIC DIVISION Australia's continued and extensive presence in the region is reflected in this Website. <http://www.antdiv.gov.au/default.html>

NASA COOL SPACE An overview of NASA's work in Antarctica, both on the ground and in space, including live satellite pictures of the ozone hole. <http://webhost.gsk.nasa.gov/nasamike/>

VIRTUAL ANTARCTICA An online record of the tourist cruiser TerraQuest's 1995 trlp around the Antarctic coastline. <http://www.terraquest.com/antarctica/>

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UFO Network shares reports, offers support

BYLINE: JANE E. DEE; Courant Staff Writer

When a New Hartford woman said she gazed out of her bedroom window and saw a domed object, like a cup and saucer, hovering over her lawn a few years ago, Randy Miles investigated.

"It didn't touch the grass; it just danced around her yard," Miles said, relating what the woman had told him. The woman told Miles that she was drawn to the window by colored lights reflected on the bedroom ceiling and walls. Because her house is on top of a mountain in a wooded lot, she could not figure out where the lights were coming from.

Miles said he concluded from her account and a laboratory analysis of a gray, greasy material found at the site that the flying object was an alien vessel.

Miles is the former director of the Mutual UFO Network, the Connecticut chapter, an organization that researches and investigates UFO sightings. He told the woman's story to about 40 people who gathered Sunday at the West Hartford Public Library for the network's annual meeting.

Members of the network said they know their stories are often met with skepticism.

"A lot of people consider the study of phenomena flighty and crazy,

but it's not so," said the network's state director, Anastasia Wietrzychowska. "People are creeping toward the knowledge that there is something out there." The group's members shared information and offered support to each other Sunday.

"A lot of people don't want to believe it unless they've seen it themselves," said Richard, 45, of West Hartford, who declined to give his last name, saying he feared people would not believe him.

"There's a lot of fingerprinting" by people who don't believe in aliens or UFOs, Richard said. "It's like a witch hunt."

He said he spotted his second UFO in 20 years two weeks ago on Fenn Road in Newington, while he was on his way to the supermarket.

Richard, who said he was a helicopter pilot during the Vietnam War, drew four small circles on a green blackboard and a large circle in the middle of them, illustrating the object he saw. He said it was heading toward Westfarms mall.

Stories such as Richard's are investigated by group members who study UFOs. Bruce Tiden is one such investigator. He said he checks with local airports to see if a plane or blimp was flying where a UFO was seen. "We try to determine the credibility of the witness by trying to get them to explain what they saw," Tiden said.

The owner of an auto body shop in Springfield, Tiden said he became interested in UFology, as it is called, through his mother. He said he plans to travel to Puerto Rico this week to investigate sightings there.

Tiden said work being performed by a California podiatrist, who is removing what the group's members believe to be implants inserted in people's hands and feet during alien abductions, will go a long way toward convincing people that aliens exist.

[W7]*****

Source: WCAX TV
Date: 5th March 1997

Mystery Hum

Residents of Newark, Vermont report their town has been invaded by a persistent humming noise. Some say it sounds like a giant generator that runs continuously. And is most noticeable when the weather is calm. Residents say the noise started sometime around December or January. So far, no one has been able to explain the mysterious hum.

[W8]*****

Source: Nando Times
Date: 8th March 1997

After Dolly, Martian Microbes?

Now that you're getting used to the idea of cloned sheep, it's time for a new worry: Martian microbes.

In the next decade or so, a NASA space probe may transport Martian rocks to Earth. The rocks might contain alien microbes, a National Research Council panel said Thursday.

While "it is doubtful that (the microbes) could adapt to Earth's environment or cause significant harm, the risk is not zero," the council warned.

So as part of a "planetary protection policy," the council urges NASA to be prepared, if necessary, to:

-- Sterilize a returning robot probe, perhaps in space, before it returns to Earth.

-- Or leave the probe in space where alien microbes wouldn't hurt anyone.

Rock samples "should be isolated physically and biologically and regarded as hazardous until proved otherwise," says a council summary of the report, written by 12 scientists.

The council is the research arm of the National Academy of Sciences,

the nation's most distinguished scientific organization. In a sense, the academy is the Supreme Court of science: It advises the federal government on scientific issues, and its counsel often sways national policy on technical topics.

In August, a scientific team from NASA, Stanford and elsewhere reported stunning news: A meteorite contained evidence of life on Mars.

The rock, found in Antarctica, apparently was hurled there by an asteroid impact on Mars millions of years ago. The rock contains hot-dog-shaped objects that may be fossilized Martian microbes.

If the prehistoric fossils are real, then microbes may still inhabit Mars -- perhaps in volcano-heated hot springs or subsurface groundwater.

Starting last autumn, NASA and Russia began a decade-long effort to launch robot space probes to Mars. The agency is considering whether to ask Congress to fund a "sample return" mission, in which a robot would collect Mars rocks and return them to Earth.

A NASA robot might unearth them early in the next century.

The council's "Task Group on Issues in Sample Return" explored a science-fictionish question: Assuming Martian microbes come to Earth, could they be dangerous? And if so, how could humans counter the threat?

The good news is that on Earth, "only a tiny fraction" of known microorganisms are harmful when exposed to other organisms, says the council report, "Mars Sample Return: Issues and Recommendations."

Martian microbes may have trouble surviving on Earth. Its ecosystem is far more complex and crowded with competing organisms than any conceivable ecosystem on Mars, the report says.

History is repeating itself: In the late 1960s, NASA feared that lunar astronauts might accidentally bring lunar microbes back to Earth.

As a precaution, NASA quarantined returning astronauts in a sealed chamber. Via TV, the world watched in anxiety and amusement as President Nixon stood in front of the quarantine chamber and waved through a window at grinning Apollo 11 astronauts.

No Moon microbes were detected.

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Mass suicides and the Media

From: **Steven Kaeser** <steve@konsulting.com>
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Subject: Mass suicides and the Media

As a former member of the press I am appalled at the way the mass suicide in California is being reported.

The press is showing its ignorance at what the Internet is, and have managed to link this group with the "net", when there is no evidence to show that any of those involved had joined after making contact through that medium. Indeed, from what I can see, they have been members of this group for a number of years, and this was a well planned event that they were looking forward to. ABC's Good Morning America lumped HEAVEN'S GATE with all other cults, when it didn't even meet their own definition of a "Dangerous Cult", and have twisted this into a story about the dangers of the Internet and the WEB.

Unlike Jonestown, all of these people knew exactly what they were getting into, and willing followed their leader into the next life. This was their goal in life, and the media would like to deny them that goal. Taking one's own life is a very personal decision (that I will never make!), and there is an underlying belief here that they were tricked into taking this action. The facts, from what I can see, don't support that contention. For my money, this event was not a tragedy, which would require that someone be wronged by the action. I would, however, characterize it as stupidity.

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Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

From: BOB SHELL <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 28 Mar 97 09:43:55 EST
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 10:54:09 -0500
Subject: Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

>From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 02:09:00 +0100
>Subject: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

>As strong as their presence on the Internet is, the cult's online
>presence appears to have been just as mysterious as its life in Rancho
>Santa Fe. The phone number listed with InterNic for that site turns out
>to be a Days Inn hotel in Santa Monica, Calif., and the name, Chris
>Knight, may be false as well. The desk clerk said there is no record of
>anyone by that name staying there.

Probably coincidence since I've had no contact with these people, but
perhaps prudent to mention since someone may dig it up and throw it
in my face: Chris Knight is the name of one of my business associates, now
deceased.

Bob

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Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

From: **Steve Neeley** <stneeley@mail.bright.net>
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 08:15:43 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 10:58:13 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

Just a quick note on the Vulcan being similar to a triangular UFO.
The sound of a bomber is enormous.

The sound of the triangle that I saw was nil.

See my URL <http://www.geocities.com/soho/5782>
Also many thanks to Dr. Bruce Cornet at
<http://www.OrionWorks.com/bcornet/index.html>
Steve Neeley Hardin County Ohio Skywatch sighter Support

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Alfred's Odd Ode #118

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 10:33:15 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #118

Apology to MW #118 (For March 28, 1997)

Think of the wonder you live in this day!
Your life is Utopian (for all that you pray <g>).
Life in past times was harsh, brutish -- short.
But we capsule-ize that -- just call it pro sports.

You sleep in a place that is free of most bugs.
There=92s hot water when, and where =96 there=92s wonder drugs!
There=92s something to eat to much by a half!
On the web you can find a huge willing staff!

H.G. Wells would, still, be astonished, and prob=92ly stupefied.
J.S. Mills would, still, smile broadly, likely gratified.
Jules Verne would be imbued with wonder;
All like children, at what minds can so plunder.

It=92s the individual, at the center, after all!
Reliance on group has one take a great fall!
The Soviet Union is an excellent example;
Their denial of self=92s a stampede . . . they were trampled!

No work gets done when it=92s all by the numbers.
When you hide serial murder =91cause it looks like your blunder.
Where washers won=92t wash in nuked, toxic wastelands;
Where missiles can land, then you can=92t find a paint can. . .

So, America fear not, regards new Jones town killings?
History=92s riddled with similar life spillings?
We have more, not ironically, because we are more, sardonically,
We=92re so many we=92ve lost value, again, not ironically.

People will search for what they=92re not finding.
They=92ll look for bright light wherever it=92s blinding.
They look to their government, their church, and their press
And they see the large holes, and the half truth=92s digress.

They feel an emptiness un-addressed and unrecognized! =20
They perceive that the truth has been lost in convenient lie!
They find understanding is replaced with bad schools!
Some suspect that the problem can be found in mob rule!

Forget shock, and the horror, and bizarre black enormity,
And think of their uniform, their descent to conformity.
More women than men, educated, and wealthy.
Maslo=92s tiers were well layed, and they seemed to be healthy. . .

The police took a broadside, even acted rather clownish --
Humor, on stage, when their shorts were rather brownish.
Slow to cop to the UFO tie-in, they waffled on the history;
Documents on explanation dismissed with eye-blinked "not at liberty."

I don=92t understand it, it=92s not happened before.
When a group of smart people see naught but closed doors.
When they check with the media, their government, their churches --
See lying, and cheating, and hate spreading curses.

As good as it gets, some folks will cop out.
But this crew departed minus bang or a shout.
This was no Waco, or Jonestown =96 nor Masada.

This one was different with no false bravado!

Cold, and clean they sluffed their coils.
Spotless, with dignity boiled in strange oils.
In pinking cut shroud they were covered in blue.
Sad evidence of faith they would join their *new* crew.

And think the time span over which they all tried,
Some wandered calmly, while others flickered, and died!
There was no thrashing, denial =96 last minute non acceptance!
They went out as believers, high toned, and unrepentant?!?=20

I want to hear their story =96 every tid-bit, every item.
I hope the facts are laid out to a nausea infinitum.
Fed up with milked out OJ, smelling ratings up the street,
I hope our whorish media jumps in with both fat feet!

In a world that was open, with the truth above board,
There would be no strange suicide, there would be more accord.
People would find all the answers they look for.
Not driven crazy through a series of wrong doors.
=20

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Speechless, but wondering, sarcastically, where the ignorance _really_ comes from!
--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the fundamentalist's stake. A strange irony is that each of the 39 might have breathed these words with their last breath. In stupidity, or in truth -- no one knows.

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Yuri Isaacov - Another Blow to Israeli Ufology

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Subject: Yuri Isaacov - Another Blow to Israeli Ufology

YURI ISAACOV- ANOTHER BLOW TO ISRAELI UFOLOGY
by Barry Chamish

It looks as though Israeli ufology is about to suffer another blow. Its most famous UFO abductee Yuri Isaacov is looking more and more like a fraud.

In September of 1996, Isaacov claimed he was taken aboard a huge craft while walking near his home in Nazareth. Inside the craft he was surrounded by small grey-like entities but there were differences in his description of them than is found in worldwide literature. Instead of arms, his had three snakey tentacles from their shoulders down to their knees with three inch fingernail-like appendages at the tips.

The tallest creature was a woman with a glowing bikini-top and crescent-shaped tiara. A another tall male spoke to one of the small entities in a voice sounding like "a needle scratching a record." It responded by approaching Isaacov and "spitting" a green powder on his face and upper body. That is all Isaacov claimed to remember. At 10:45 he awoke in a soccer field and walked to the nearest police station to tell his tale.

The police took him to Afula Hospital where he was examined by Dr. Darawashe, who removed traces of the powder. The powder was tested by the hospital laboratory and found to be composed of 55% aluminium and a hodgepodge of other elements including calcium, nitrate, and iron. The hospital spokesman admitted the powder was of unknown origin and certainly not found naturally in Israel. That became the central argument in favour of Isaacov's veracity.

Yuri's story made national headlines and he appeared on the national television news programs. He immediately became Israel's best known abductee and the ufologists descended upon him. They managed to have his case publicized internationally.

Last December I visited the Damti home in Achihod to report on a "dead alien" that turned out to be a lizard. Also there were the usual gang of UFO hangers-on. Two ladies of this group told me that Yuri Isaacov was suffering agonizing pain because of the lingering powder burns and tried to persuade me to pay for an exclusive interview.

I turned them down but events were to propel me to Isaacov anyway. I had immediately determined that the Ichihod incident was a money-making ploy and exposed it as such. Despite some initial criticism of my conclusion that people were trying to pass off a lizard as an alien, by February I was redeemed. Expensive laboratory tests conducted by BUFORA in England determined that the carbon structure of the "alien" was the same as that found in lizards and frogs.

Not a week after the alien lizard fiasco, a Netanya couple claimed to have experienced a unique abduction/house haunting experience. After meeting with them and examining some intriguing physical evidence, I chose to believe them. I called Michael Hesemann of Magazin 2000 and the next day sent him some samples of evidence. Within ten days, he arranged the arrival of American abduction expert Derrel Sims in Israel.

Michael made an additional request. After completing the Netanya research, could I have Derrel examine Yuri Isaacov? If he was genuinely ill, Michael would pay his airfare to Houston, where Derrel would arrange the best dermatological care available free of charge.

When we met Isaacov, he did seem ill. His hands shook and he had a nasty rash on his left arm. Further, one testicle was inflamed. He explained that he hadn't showered for five months because water agonized his skin. Derrel was convinced and offered to fly Yuri to Houston immediately. All he needed was a copy of Yuri's medical records and a small sample of the powder that poisoned him. He directed us to Afula Hospital where the records and powder were kept.

We were told by the deputy director of the hospital, Dr. Michael Kedem that Yuri had signed a power of attorney agreement with a lawyer named Michael Luxemburg. Without his offering a release, he could not hand over the records. Derrel told Yuri that no hospital would ever admit him without his previous medical records and Yuri promised to instruct Luxemburg to sign them over to me.

Now the roller coaster ride. It seems Yuri met Luxemburg in the out patients clinic of Afula Hospital the very evening of his encounter and without hesitation signed a contract granting him total power of attorney over his affairs. It did not occur to him to wonder if Luxemburg was of the type of ambulance chasing lawyers who hang around hospital waiting rooms.

Luxemburg promised me to arrange the release if Derrel sent him a memo stating that his client would not be abandoned penniless in America. Derrel complied, I called Luxemburg twice leaving messages on his machine and he never got back to me.

Meanwhile Isaacov called to say Luxemburg would not grant the release unless he was paid \$5000 for his "work." I told him to report Luxemburg to the Bar Association for unethical behaviour. He claimed he already had but the Bar supported Luxemburg. Two nights later Isaacov's daughter called me from Toronto to say how worried she was about her father's health and how much it meant if I could help. She received my phone number from her father.

Next scene: Isaacov calls to tell me he has a copy of the lab analysis of the yellow powder. I told him to send it to me registered mail. He told me he couldn't afford the stamp. I said I'd pay him back. He replied that he didn't have the money to lend me.

By a coincidence again, Michael Hesemann was to arrive in late February and I would be his guide to numerous Israeli UFO-related incidents and wonders for an upcoming film. The very last item on our very hectic and successful agenda was Isaacov. He claimed two aliens were not only in his apartment the week before but also in the apartment of an elderly woman nearby. We asked to meet the lady but Isaacov claimed it was too late in the evening. So Michael filmed his account, not including the lawyer's refusal to release the material unless he came up with \$5000. Michael wasn't biting. Instead he agreed to stay overnight in Nazareth and act as a witness in a police complaint against Luxemburg for extortion. The next morning Isaacov refused to go to the police, telling Hesemann that his lawyer was really "a good man" and the neighbour was nowhere to be found.

I was hoping this would be the end of Michael's interest in a person I was totally convinced was a pathetic con artist. But Michael is, and I'm not exaggerating, the most determined and stubborn person I've ever worked with. He asked me to contact the Maariv UFO reporter David Ronen to scare Luxemburg into giving me the release. The threat of being exposed publicly as an extortionist responsible for the suffering of poor Yuri was bound to work.

Ronen called me two weeks later asking, "Is Isaacov a liar?"

" Why would you think so?"

" Because Luxemburg claims he never asked for \$5000 and will gladly hand over the release."

" So why won't he answer my phone calls?" I inquired.

" I don't know. Maybe they're both in this together for the \$5000."

Not two days later, leading Israeli ufologist Doron Rotem called me. "Did you know Yuri Isaacov phoned me last night and accused me of spreading wild rumours about him?" I asked Doron why he would go to the trouble. Doron replied, "Because I went looking for the neighbour who was also supposedly visited and I met some of his other neighbours. One after another said he was a pathological liar. I'll give you one example. They said he showed them an obviously new tattoo and claimed he got it in a Nazi concentration camp." " So, do you still believe his abduction story?" I asked Doron.

" I don't know anymore but there was nothing rare in the green powder. Anyone could have made it."

Which brings us up to date. Two nights ago Isaacov called me and said he was visited by two aliens and they blew more powder at him. He had collected six or seven grams of the extraterrestrial material. "We finally have the powder and I'm saving it only for you," he announced. He added that since the encounter, he was bleeding from his gonads.

I told him I'd contact Michael and Derrel and see what they suggest. I e-mailed Michael that I sure won't be the one to waste a trip to Nazareth unless I was paid the equivalent of wartime compensation. I had already seen enough of this character.

Needless to say, Michael immediately e-mailed instructions to get the powder and Fedex it to him. I phoned Isaacov and relayed the message. He said, "I'm not going to just give you the powder. It's worth a fortune."

I briefly considered telling him of the genuine humanitarian treatment Derrel and Michael had offered him, including thousands of dollars in airfare and hospital treatment fees. But I just said, "Goodbye Yuri. Find another sucker."

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Re: Linda case - And now... The weather

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Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 13:42:56 -0500
Subject: Re: Linda case - And now... The weather

Pam Klemm -- who has done remarkable research on the Linda case -- writes:

> Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 17:44:25 -0500 (EST)
> From: "Klemm - Pamela S." <psklemm@umd5.umd.edu>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Linda case - And now for the weather:

> This gets kind of tricky because you are talking about the
> weather for the night of the 29th and the early morning of
> the 30th. According to the New York Times:

> Nov. 29th: The weather was supposed to be mostly sunny and
> windy with highs of 35. "Tonight" was predicted to be mostly
> clear and quite cold. Low was supposed to be 20.

> New moon was on the 28th, so it would have been dark.

> The weather page on the 30th indicated there had been no rain
> in the last 24 hours. There is nothing on either map to
> indicate fog, BUT these are not your regular isobaric maps,
> so I don't know if they normally would show fog if it was
> present.

> Personally, it looks to me like it was clear, cold and windy.
> I wouldn't have wanted to be on the beach in a nightie....

I'll have to call the local weather bureau to verify this, but Linda said there was fog on the river just two or three times a year. I don't think fog is likely on a clear night, but I should check that, too.

About the beach items Pam brought up in another post, we've been corresponding about that privately. One issue is what look like wind ripples in the lower picture. Pam thinks they face in the opposite direction they should have, given the direction of the wind that day.

However -- or maybe this makes no difference about the wind, I don't know -- I think Budd is wrong about where the beach might have been. (Putting aside, for the moment, all questions about whether the events in the case happened at all.)

Anyone who cares deeply about this and doesn't know NY geography should consult a map, if one is available. The picture shows unbroken ocean -- no land visible. That means, first, that it had to have been on the South Shore of Long Island, since from the North Shore you can see across Long Island Sound to CT. But because there's a long thin island called Fire Island off the south shore, Budd theorized that Dan must have driven Linda fairly far out, past the end of Fire Island, almost to the Hamptons.

Pam points out that nobody could drive that far and back, do everything described in the book, and still get Linda home in the few hours the kidnapping apparently lasted. She's right. Budd thinks Dan drove in a fast sports car, unconcerned about being stopped by cops because of his federal credentials. That doesn't wash with me.

However, there's another spot in Long Island that would do perfectly well, a sleepy waterfront community called Long Beach. It's very close to New York city, and is on an island off the South Shore, with unbroken

ocean beyond it. It's a perfect place to take someone -- as long as it's not summer -- and not be disturbed. (Or so I hear from someone who lives there. I haven't visited it yet.)

I don't know the wind and tide data for the day in question. I hope Pam does. (Though I think the beach photos should be examined -- the originals - by an expert on the look of water and wind ripples on beaches.)

I'm afraid, though, that this exposes another sloppiness in Budd's investigation. It took me about three seconds to find Long Beach when I opened a NY state road map. Surely Budd could have done the same.

Greg Sandow

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40 Years of UFO Cults

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Subject: 40 Years of UFO Cults

40 YEARS OF UFO CULTS

As a guest on End-of-the-Line show with Jeff Rense and Michael Lindemann last night and during the CNN blanket coverage of the mass suicide in San Diego, my mind drifted back over the years to my early visits to Giant Rock in the California desert. That is when I saw the beginnings of the UFO cult syndrome. I remember when UFO contactee Gloria Lee took her life...and from there one Michael or another started up some UFO cult-group based on channeling space brothers. I think one or two of the early contactees had some sort of real experience, but after their stories came out...the religious message was cried out. In the 50s the space visitors were benevolent, loving folk that came to enlighten us on the folly of our ways. Not until the 80s did the pendulum swing toward the dark side...those little grey aliens who came to haunt the American bedrooms.

I remember the news back in the 70s about Bo and Peep, the "Two" who came to liberate people from the material attachments (home and possessions) so that ultimately they would undergo a "metamorphosis" like a caterpillar leaving its cocoon (they actually used this symbology) and they held a huge well-attended meeting in a Santa Monica Hotel by the shores of the Pacific. I was there to see the starry-glare in their eyes offering so many an opportunity to escape the dreaded bonds of earth. Then many went traipsing off to Colorado, I believe, to await "lift-off". Later there was a movie made of the "Two", the music teacher and the nurse who came from Texas. You might still find it if you hunt it down in video stores. Then they were gone from public view and others came along just as Sheldon Nidle did to preach the salvation offered by the comet Hale-Bopp. There are still many groups like this out there, living their private lives as somehow grouping into tribes as humans did in our not so ancient history when we felt less alienated from the concourse we had with each other. Now the machineries of civilization have somehow made us feel oppressed by the weight of humanity and its ultra high-speed life style. As the millenium approaches, many are seeking refuge in the heavens, if not in aliens, then in angels and Marian visions. Are we all feeling so uncertain about our future?

It is my belief that the 39 men and women who died to escape to a higher plane were motivated by something that we all feel, but refrain or restrain from taking action on from time to time...the feeling to escape to a better place. So while their decision based on their devotion and belief in their leader's words is tragic, I think we must all become more aware of the tremendous human forces at work in the world today. While there are those now using words such as "kook" to indicate persons with beliefs in UFOs, aliens, angels, reincarnation, and other such sought-after connections, or the belief that somehow Art Bell or Chuch Shramek or Courtney Brown and Whitley Streiber were responsible for sowing seeds of belief in a comet companion, we must do our best to indicate that such misapprehensions of the true causes of this tragic event are in error. These people were responsible for themselves and we are all responsible for each other and we all have common roots in our prehistoric past.

Let us see to it that the media does not misguide the public or that certain restrictive influences are aimed at censoring the Internet because of its potential for luring followers into so-called questionable beliefs. Are we all so sure that we ourselves do not hold fast to some questionable belief?

I, for one, would not like to continue to answer for the act of these people and get back to the business of research and investigation and search for the truth.

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton
(Author, Researcher, and Software Engineer)

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Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

From: "Joe Daniels (UFO JOE)" <ufojoe@cron-2.mco.on.ca>
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 10:57:24 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 13:41:05 -0500
Subject: Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

On Fri, 28 Mar 1997, UFO UpDates - Toronto posted:

> Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 23:27:47 -0500
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> From: Don Allen <dona@totcon.com>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

> This cult tragedy doesn't bode well for UFOlogy. I can just imagine
> all the background pieces that will be aired in the next few days as
> the overpaid media talking heads put a chilling and conspiratorial
> spin on the "UFO nuts".
> Wunnerful. :-)

Not to mention that UFO investigators and groups are going to
come to be regarded as "cults" in the eyes of the public.

If the powers that be ever really wanted to investigate and
infiltrate UFO groups, they've got plenty of validation for
doing so now. 8-(

[From UFO Joe Daniels <http://cron-2.mco.net>]

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Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 08:36:04 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 13:39:21 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

>From: BRETT.OLBRYYS@appl.ge.com
>To: <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

>Date: Fri, Mar 21 14:27:48 1997 -0500 (EST)

>AVRO Vulcan Bomber
> Does anyone else notice the similarity between this Bomber
> and the Triangular craft that was photographed during the
> Belgium wave of sightings? * Take a look at it and see if
> you don't think they are similar, especially after watching
> the Quicktime movie at the address I'll provide. Pay
> attention to the very end of the movie, the very last
> frame/shot. Each corner of the Triangular Bomber is illum-
> inated just like in the Belgium sightings.

>The address to view the quicktime movie and article is:

><http://www.scifi.com/sightings/web1108/vulcan.html>

Hello Brett,

The big question for me is "wouldn't the Belgium Air Force (part of the NATO chain) be able to figure this out somehow, before going public with it?" When I saw the case presented on "Unsolved Mysteries," with the videotaped testimonies of dispatchers, police, high brass from the Belgium military and the gun camera data I was impressed. They were baffled. What police described in one sighting was that one of the triangle craft silently hovered over a building, then the 3 lights in the corners of the craft merged into one light, and the whole thing shot off faster than the eye could follow. This does not sound like the Vulcan Bomber. A pertinent question is "Does the Vulcan bomber have the technical capabilities to do what is reported in the following article." If we don't know now, we'll know when the upgrade to the present Vulcan model comes out. My vote is the Vulcan probably can't do what was reported. (But, I could be wrong.)

It may be possible that "some" of the testimonies may have been related to what you say, but it does not fit comfortably with descriptions given by others, including police who are trained observers.

Respectfully,
Jerry Cohen

E-mail: "Jerry Cohen" <rjcohen@li.net>

BELGIUM CASE: (From a previous post regarding this)

* Belgium case shown below as it appeared in the July/Aug 1990 issue of CUFOS (Center for UFO Studies) IUR (International UFO Reporter). I find it extremely difficult to believe that the Belgian Air Force and national police would put their reputations on the line to say something of this sort if there wasn't something substantial to it. Something had to really shake them up enough for them to say it as a combined group. The descriptions given by the police in the video were amazing to say the least.

These people are trained observers to handle emergencies & wartime events. It seems to make sense to me to trust a large group of trained observers before I will believe any individual skeptic who thinks he has proven otherwise.

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"On the night of March 30th, one of the callers reporting a UFO was a Captain of the national police at Pinson, and [Belgian Air Force] Headquarters decided to make a serious effort to verify the reports. In addition to the visual sightings, two RADAR installations also saw the UFO. One RADAR is at Glons, southeast of Brussels, which is part of the NATO defense group, and one at Semmerzake, west of the Capitol, which controls the military and civilian traffic of the entire Belgian territory. The range of the two RADARs is 300 kilometers, which is more than enough to cover the area where the reports took place. . . . Headquarters determined to do some very precise studies during the next 55 minutes to eliminate the possibility of prosaic explanations for the RADAR images. Excellent atmospheric conditions prevailed, and there was no possibility of false echoes due to temperature inversions.

". . . at 0005 hours the order was given to the F-16s to take off and to find the intruder. The lead pilot concentrated on his RADAR screen, which at night is his best organ of vision. The F-16 is equipped with very sophisticated equipment, including chase RADAR, which is not fixed directly ahead of the airplane, but makes a wide search in an arc of 90 degrees left and right of the nose. . . .

"Suddenly the two fighters spotted the intruder on their RADAR screens, appearing like a little bee dancing on the scope. Using their joy sticks like a video game, the pilots ordered the onboard computers to pursue the target. As soon as lock-on was achieved, the target appeared on the screen as a diamond shape, telling the pilots that from that moment on, the F-16s would remain tracking the object automatically

"[Before the RADAR had locked on for six seconds] the object had speeded up from an initial velocity of 280 kph to 1,800 kph, while descending from 3,000 meters to 1,700 meters . . . in one second! This fantastic acceleration corresponds to 40 Gs. It would cause immediate death to a human on board. The limit of what a pilot can take is about 8 Gs. The trajectory of the object was extremely disconcerting. It arrived at 1,700 meters altitude, then it dove rapidly toward the ground at an altitude under 200 meters, and in doing so escaped from the RADARs of the fighters and the ground units at Glons and Semmerzake. This maneuver took place over the suburbs of Brussels, which are so full of man-made lights that the pilots lost sight of the object beneath them

"Everything indicates that this object was intelligently directed to escape from the pursuing planes. During the next hour the scenario repeated twice. . . .

"This fantastic game of hide and seek was observed from the ground by a great number of witnesses, among them 20 national policemen who saw both the object and the F-16s. The encounter lasted 75 minutes, but nobody heard the supersonic boom which should have been present when the object flew through the sonic barrier. No physical damage was reported. Given the low altitude and speed of the object, many windows should have been broken."

This case has all the hallmarks of the classic USAF jet-scrambling cases of the 1950s and 1960s, with one notable exception: the Belgian Air Force is not covering up anything.

For a full translation of the Paris-Match article, write to: Robert J. Durant, 106 Hessian Hill Drive, Pennington, NJ 08534.

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Re: Major UFO Alert in UK?

From: **James A Diss** <76710.234@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 28 Mar 97 16:17:40 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 08:18:41 -0500
Subject: Re: Major UFO Alert in UK?

>Date: 27 Mar 97 12:07:20 EST
>From: **Andy Roberts** <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO Updates <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Rapidly developing UK flap

Further to Andy's post on this subject the Desk Sergeant on the night in question received three phone calls to complain of a 'low flying aircraft' over Sheffield.

A thermographically equipped helicopter was sent up to look for the wreckage of a possible downed plane, but found nothing. Reports about a crash in the region of the Midhope valley have so far been unfounded, with the general trail of investigation leading back to a young man by the name of Martin Jeffries who claims to have photographs of a 'crash site'.

This is the same young man that claims that he is being harrassed by the security forces from the area of the crash. 'Hundreds of soldiers', if rumour be true.

The photographs alledgedly show an area of grass that was 'turned blue' by the UFO.

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Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

From: joel henry <jhenry@wavefront.com>
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 13:43:08 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 08:08:14 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO & Vulcan

>Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 08:15:43 -0500 (EST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Steve Neeley <stneeley@mail.bright.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: 'Similarities' between Belgian UFO &
> Vulcan Bomber

>Just a quick note on the Vulcan being similar to a triangular UFO.
>The sound of a bomber is enormous.

>The sound of the triangle that I saw was nil.

Also, the design of the vulcan is such that if it goes too slow,
it will simply fall out of the sky. hovering is out of the question.
most swept back wing designs are limited to high speed service.

joel henry

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Suicide Cult And March 25

From: Stig_Agermose@online.pol.dk (Stig Agermose)
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Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 08:21:36 -0500
Subject: Suicide Cult And March 25

As you might know the members of TOA, Total Overcomers Anonymous - the cult which has become sadly known during the last couple of days - committed suicide to have their liberated souls transported away in the supposed space ship accompanying the Hale-Bopp comet. Maybe in clones ready-made for the purpose, who knows how twisted their way of thinking might have been?

But the connection goes further. On last night's Larry King Show on CNN (March 28, 03.00 - 04.00 CET) Tuesday, March 25, was mentioned as an important date in TOA's apocalyptic vision of Hale-Bopp.

What follows is a verbatim rendition of parts of the show. The first person interviewed is Nick Matzorkis, owner of a computer company, Interact Entertainment Group, and employer of Rio, a guy who recently had left the cult. It was Nick and Rio who notified the police of the horrible scene.

Nick:
What happened is: We'd received a FEDEX delivery on Tuesday afternoon - to Rio.... He took it home with him Tuesday without opening it. I guess he opened it when he got home that night. And then Wednesday morning I got into work, and at about 9.45 or 10 o'clock he came into my office and said he had news for me, and informed me that all of his former colleagues at Higher Source (the computer company of the cult) had committed suicide, and I asked him how many, and he told me: 40."

I live in Denmark and don't quite know what a FEDEX delivery is, but I surmise it is some kind of quick mail, which would make the time frame tally with the date emerging later during The Larry King Show. Larry was interviewing Alex Fleet and Robert Watkins, two employees of Rancho Car Wash, who had befriended some of the cult members.

Larry King:
"Now, this is for both. First you, Alex. Did they talk about the comet, the Hale-Bopp comet. Did they talk about going behind Bopp? Did they talk about an alien ship in or near Bopp?"

Alex Fleet:
"Yes, they did. They had been talking about that weeks upon weeks, till they actually gave us literature on it. They had been talking about how there might be a ship with the comet, and of course I've got an open mind to everything, so I listened to them. I didn't know whether I believed them, but I listened to them. And again they did mention that a few times, and they were very afraid of what this was gonna bring. They kept talking about March 25 was the day that it will be closest to us."

Larry King:
"They mentioned that date?"

Alex Fleet:
"They did mention that date on numerous occasions, and every time they came in, I said: "Well, March 25 is getting closer and closer."

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This week's edition of Bufo's WEIRD WORLD Media Alert will likely be delayed, due to unfortunate circumstances that could not be foreseen. Everyone in my family is fine, and I will get it out as soon as possible.

Please accept my apologies.

Bufo Calvin

Some highlights: Saturday, the Learning Channel is going to re-run a bunch of the UFO stuff they've been doing this week. THE EDGE OF REALITY, which is on a bunch of major radio national stations, has a really hot one Saturday night: "Cosmic Crossfire" will be the first hour, with Stan Friedman and Phil Klass. If they both show, it'll be a wild hour!

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More 'Lights' over Southern Ontario

From: "Paul McCoy" <webscape@inforamp.net>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 08:25:32 -0500
Subject: More 'Lights' over Southern Ontario

I live in Oshawa, Ontario on the north shore of Lake Ontario about 30 miles east of Toronto. Last night (3/27/97) I witnessed the most unusual aerial display I ever hope to see. Weather was mild and skies very clear so I decided to step outside to take another look at Hale-Bopp since we had been overcast for the previous 5 days. This was about 7:30 p.m. EST. The comet was gorgeous, hanging low in the north-west sky. Being somewhat of an amateur astronomer, I took a quick scan of the western sky from north to south. Orion was dominating the western quadrant. As I was admiring this, I craned my neck and started to look straight up. Something caught my eye just as I was looking at the zenith. The following is what I noted on my computer notepad verbatim:

Just came back in from the backyard. Out looking at the comet when I saw the most extraordinary thing I've ever witnessed! Two objects moving SW to NE at very high altitude and moving at very high speed. Moving along almost playfully...switching positions side to side and top to bottom. Reddish tinge. Almost looked like they were animated. Only lasted about 4-5 seconds before they disappeared into the light pollution on the northern horizon. Covered about half the sky in only a few seconds. They were f*****g REAL...and nothing I know of can manouver the way they were. Must have been about 7:40 p.m. EST. Reminded me of whatever I saw through the binoculars 3 years ago.

Went back outside about 8:10. High cirrus clouds were moving in. Moved away from back of house to look over towards east and there they were again! Just caught a quick glimpse...seemed to be 3 this time...a pair with a single one following along. Holy f**k! Called Sonja in Bowmanville.

Went out again. It is now 9:52. In the last half hour or so I've seen over 10 more of these things. Saw 2 flying west to east followed by a formation of 4 (2 pairs) at much lower altitude. Spectacular! Could almost discern a shape. No birds or bats could be flying at those speeds. Saw another pair going east-west and a few singles going south-north and north-south. I'm f*****g flabberghasted!

There was lots of other activity in the local skies to use as reference. Throughout the time I was observing these objects, there were a lot of low-altitude private aircraft as well as high-altitude commercial jets criss-crossing the sky at various times. I even saw several of what I would identify as satellites moving across the background of stars. I even noted a few bats and nocturnal birds flitting around. I don't believe that these objects were confined to being visible just in my local area. I would say that they were mostly at orbital or sub-orbital altitudes and should have been visible to just about anybody in the northern hemisphere who happened to be looking up at the time. I don't know what these objects were but I've never seen any other phenomena whether man-made or living creatures exhibit the kind of motion that I witnessed. I only hope that whatever their origin is, that they're on OUR side!

As it happens, there was no one else around at the time of the sightings. The rest of the household was out for the evening and I only managed to contact 2 people by phone. Unfortunately, they were either under overcast skies or the show was over by the time I talked to them around 10:00 p.m.

My question is this: Did anybody else see this display or am I the only one in the northern hemisphere who happened to be looking up at

the sky last night? I would be very interested in hearing from anyone who had a similar experience or has any thing to offer on this.

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Brett,

If you have somehow stumbled upon the UFO secret of flight, why in the name of heavens would you want to package this new wonder in an old dog like the Vulcan Bomber. What's the point. If you've got a motivating power that duplicates the "classic" UFO flight characteristics then sticking the whole bussiness in a conventional aircraft airframe is a step backwards. Those delta wings are going to want to work as they were meant to do in the first place, and they are of no use in a hover. They would now become a hinderence. They would try to generate lift and would rip themselves to pieces as they approached the speeds conventional UFOs seem to be able to obtain.

I would think its "earthly" designers could slap together a pretty reliable kevlar egg shape or something that could do the job much better, at least as a test vehicle.

I assume that some of this delta driven discussion is generated by the sighting of the "Vee" shaped aircraft spotted flying in formation with the two Toranadoes. If this was the case it was probably something experimental, perhaps an outgrowth of the F-117 Stealth, which incidentally is slow and a "pig" to fly, requiring a half dozen computers to keep it from burying itself in the first available turf. It has all of the aerodynamic qualities as a forklift and generates only a little more lift.

Might be though that a "Stealth" type a/c could be mated with the Harrier Pegasus(sp) engine but its heat signature would rise and it would be nearly as noisy as the Vulcan. Neither of these two aircraft could be possibly mistaken for the triangular objects seen over Belgium.

Anybody noticed lately that it seems our UFO designers (whoever they are) have been turning out almost as many new models as General Motors does vehicles. Or at least recycling some of the older models. Orange balls seem to be coming back into vogue of late.

Seriously, when I first heard of the triangular type sightings in Belgium a few years ago I thought this was a new trend, but since I gotten into serious investigation of the UFO files at the National Archives in Ottawa I was surprised at the number of sightings

stretching back through the years-to the fifties even-that involved triangular shaped UFOs.

A personal friend of mine had a sighting seven years ago involving two triangular shaped objects, fairly low sliding silently across the sky over the city of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Regards,
Don ledger
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Subject: Heaven's Gate Pages Available

This message was sent to "alt.alien.research" March 29, 01.41 CET:

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From: dont@thinkso.com (Ddaster)
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Tragedy in San Diego - HEAVEN'S GATE

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Who were these people and what they all about? What exactly happened in San Diego?

The group's website, www.heavensgate.com has been buried under an avalanche of server requests for most of the last 48 hours, and it's unlikely that you'll be able to logon anytime soon. According to SpaceStar Communications, the ISP that handles the site, they've "pulled the plug" for the time being.

You can still come and see for yourself, look into the group's beliefs, hear them tell their story in their own words. We have the group's pages posted, in their ENTIRETY, and UNALTERED. You won't find a more complete legacy of the group anywhere else on the Internet. Enter Heaven's Gate, at <http://www.wugnet.com>

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Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

From: "Julianne Presson" <earthwrk@cyberport.com>
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 16:49:57 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 08:28:59 -0500
Subject: Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp Companion

> Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 10:57:24 -0500 (EST)
> From: "Joe Daniels (UFO JOE)" <ufojoe@cron-2.mco.on.ca>
> To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp
Companion

> On Fri, 28 Mar 1997, UFO UpDates - Toronto posted:

> > Date: Thu, 27 Mar 1997 23:27:47 -0500
> > To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
> > From: Don Allen <dona@totcon.com>
> > Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Mass Suicide and Hale-Bopp

> > This cult tragedy doesn't bode well for UFology. I can just imagine
> > all the background pieces that will be aired in the next few days as
> > the overpaid media talking heads put a chilling and conspiratorial
> > spin on the "UFO nuts".
> > Wunnerful. :-(

> Not to mention that UFO investigators and groups are going to
> come to be regarded as "cults" in the eyes of the public.

There is a vast difference with UFology and the POP New Age
beliefs being sold on the lecture circuit mainly by those who
are speakers for the Star Knowledge Conferences.

> If the powers that be ever really wanted to investigate and
> infiltrate UFO groups, they've got plenty of validation for
> doing so now. 8-(

Could be but I doubt it. IMO, 99% of the talk about being
watched by the government is BS. First you would have to know
something that the rest of the world is not aware of (I have
noticed in UFology that is hardly the case), second the person
would have to be really important.....in more than their own
mind

These suicides are a great tragedy that will follow the family
members for a very long time. Why? Because they bought the BS
about Hale-Bopp that the "Snake Oil Salesman" are selling....

Julianne

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From: **ParaScope@AOL.COM**
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 19:46:36 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 08:35:38 -0500
Subject: DISPATCH #44 -- the weekly newsletter of ParaScope

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3/21/97

Quote of the Week

"Basing your refusal to furnish information needed to determine your income tax liability on your Constitutional rights represents a frivolous position."
--IRS response to letter from a tax protester. A \$500 fine was levied against the individual as a result. The fine has yet to be paid.

Rant of the Week: God Bless You All

Every week we pick the wackiest, scariest, nastiest or funniest rant from the hundreds of letters received by us here at ParaScope headquarters, and present it to you as our Rant of the Week. This week, "Alice" writes to warn us that we are "messing with the unseen world." Sure, she uses no punctuation or standard sentence structure. But does that mean her ideas are valid? You decide!

"I believe that you people are messing with the unseen world here my mother was involved in all this garbage and now her future is in the hands of the devil who is a liar and deceiver of many she has totally lost her mind and she is living in a nut house she use to think this kind of stuff was fun but what she didnt realize was that she opened the doorway to the unseen world and now she is tormented by voices please beware because the devil walks around as a angel of light and this is where he begin tarot cards crystal balls candles beware beware he will destroy you this is no joke I have seen a normal loving kind women be totally destroyed by this garbage GOD BLESS YOU ALL."

[Reprinted with spelling and grammar goofs unchanged. Names withheld to protect the ranters.]

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explore the bewildering world of psychokinesis and find out if mind over matter is more than just an inspirational refrain for weight-lifters and firewalkers.

Fri 4/3: Back by Popular Demand: The Great American Tax Swindle

In case you missed it the first time, and just in time for those late-night sessions with your form 1040-EZ, we present again the Great American Tax Swindle. Did you know that the current system of taxation is both unconstitutional and voluntary? Would it surprise you to know that Donald Duck has done more to make Americans pay their taxes than H&R Block, Janet Reno and Leona Helmsley combined? Plus, find out the top ways to piss off the IRS, and read the secret confessions of a tax protester, all in this blockbuster collection of stories you demanded.

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UFO*BC New Web Site

From: boliver@Direct.CA (Bill Oliver)
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 21:47:54 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 09:41:40 -0500
Subject: UFO*BC New Web Site

Come visit UFO*BC's new Website at <http://ufobc.org/>
Check our historical page for new cases from our ever growing archives.
Don't miss "Flying Alligator Skin" and an ancient case called "The
Nootka Man" from the 1770s! This week's UFO*BC Report is called "The
Colorado Connection". Why are people in BC who report UFOs transferred
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On A Lighter note

From: Sean <Tedric@tedric.demon.co.uk>
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 16:26:45 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 10:40:59 -0500
Subject: On A Lighter note

To all and sundry

Occasionally a good page crops up that is just for laughs.
This is one of those pages. It is heavy on graphics but
still worth a good giggle.

I am a passenger on this spaceship, Earth.
Sean

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Re: Philip J. Corso

From: armen victorian <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 06:33:38 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 12:00:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Philip J. Corso

Recent, private mail to me from Mr. William J. Birnes, made comments concerning my short post on Mr. Philip Corso. Mr. Birnes commented in part:

"Read your mail in the news.group on Corso and am aware of the information you report. I worked on the Roswell book with Corso and knew a lot about some of the details you mention, especially his work for Thurmond and Senator Russell. So, I was more than interested in what you had to say in your post".

In a short, cordial, message I asked Mr. Birnes if he would care to let me know how he became acquainted with Mr. Philip Corso, and what were his contributions to his book.

Mr. Birnes in another polite message informed me that he.....

"met Phil Corso more in connection with what he had to say about his experiences in Rome towards the end of the World War II and in Korea as a member of MacArthur's staff. The Roswell story came up almost as an afterthought. The story that he describes in DAY AFTER ROSWELL is unique, however, and has never been told before."

Based on my information Mr. Birnes is the second individual ghost-writer for Mr. Corso's book. The original writer backed out of the project when it became apparent that Mr. Corso was probably "unstable". Then entered Mr. Birnes as Mr. Corso's second ghost-writer of the book.

Having reviewed Corso's manuscript, whilst it would encourage a camp, would equally provoke another to enter into yet another phase of futile counter arguments. And, as always, the status quo would remain as it has almost always been - divided, confused - and fertile ground for quick bucks for the main advocates.

Another researcher had asked what I know about Mr. Santilli's footage - after he commented that apparently it is now more evident that the footage was a deliberate release.

Three months prior to the release of the footage, I was informed by a high ranking member of the intelligence community that a new phase of disinformation would be unleashed shortly, and that I should try to stay clear. I was also told that this would be due to the fact that in certain areas, some unwarranted momentum is gathering pace, and a diversion would yield better results. Additionally, I was also told that the target this time would be not well-known individuals, but most likely people in fringe groups of the UFO community. As a matter of course, in a short letter, and in an abstract format, I informed HUFON to let their more prominent researchers be aware. What happened afterwards is now, of course, widely known.

I provide this information not on the basis of opening or entering into any dialogue, or further argument or counter-arguments, but, merely as information. Whether the 'prominent' researchers engaged in investigating the case would take any notice is not my concern. Neither, have I any vested interest in Mr. Santilli's footage.

Armen Victorian

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From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:15:03 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:15:03 -0500
Subject: Posting Instructions

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>From: Genghis@mukluk.com <Bob Bobberts>  
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>  
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Grays are Grey Area
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Again - it's at the beginning of the 'body' of the message you are responding to.

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>first character. It should look like this:
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Spoof on highersource.com site

From: **John Joseph Mercieca** <mufor@maltanet.net>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 19:42:37 +0100
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:31:22 -0500
Subject: Spoof on highersource.com site

Hi,

Check out <http://www.highersource.org>

It's a spoof on the highersource.com site and while it may not be in good taste to have such a site up so soon after the tragedy, they are sending out an important message (check out the "toe tags" section about media integrity)

Regards,

JJ Mercieca
Malta UFO Research
<http://www.mufor.org/>

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Alfred's Odd Ode #119

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 12:21:27 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:30:23 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #119

Apology to MW #119 (For March 29, 1997)

Here is a view I have adopted that works.
It=92s a view that construes time as an object.
You can pick it up, then, or lay it back down;
You can use it to win, or put a smile on a frown.

Time is your own, no matter who owns it.
You=92ve places to be, and the crunch hurts =91ya, don=92t it.
But take back control; be feeling stellar
Invest just ten minutes =96 it works, and it=92s killer!

If time is your own then reset your clock.
The time is then your time, and with it take stock.
Now say that your time=92s in the future ten minutes.
It=92s that time that puts you ahead, can you dig it?

It=92s makes you on *time* every place that you go!
It=92s a skill that is social, and it helps you to know
What=92s expected of you by your own fellow notes.
You=92re minutes ahead! Then, seldom the goat!

The time you have stolen is righteously yours.
Ten minutes lost once is your punctual cure.
Your assignment is ready before it was due.
You preload your answers, and they all come on cue!

No one is angered at you =91cause they wait.
Now you=92re the one waiting, all else are now late!
Time is your own, you own without trouble.
You get it all done, rather like you=92ve gone double!

Time you manipulate, time you control
Time you can augment, time you extol.
Time in a bubble, time you have made.
Time that can gravitate, time you don=92t waste.

Time in a bottle, time poured like it=92s owned!
Time for the winner; more time to get boned <g>.
Time like the bees, you=92re making more honey.
Time for a game, without feeling funny.

It=92s time that we=92re owed by the =91man=92 who controls us.
It=92s with time that he shows disrespect, and a lapsed trust.
Your minutes he=92s stolen can all be returned
With interest, and taxless -- on his old ways -- adjourned.=20

So take control, take your charge =96 to the future ten minutes.
It=92s your time alone, set your clock now begin it!
You can take your sweet time when you live in the future.
You can be a neat eater =96 you can be a first chooser!

You do this as service to your fellow notes.
You=92ve got time to plug in so you=92re not the joke.
You contribute to luxury in late twentieth century.
You are part of a team with a valuable currency.

And you do this in knowing that you are important!
It=92s your ass that=92s on line, and it strains your comportment.
Your team can be screwed dependent on you!

You=92re the key to success in a self aware crew!

So, take control of the time denied crew!
And be a sound part of the web that supports you!
Search out, ask questions =96 even bleed your own rhyme!
Time is an object! Take control of your time!

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

Everyone is the center of their universe, and success for all comes only from those individuals. It is one smart person that can keep a thousand others gainfully employed. Crush out individuality, and crush out all potentiality -- all aspiration. Mere consciousness deserves respect. Be respectful. ~null~ Respectful, be. Respect deserves consciousness =96 mere! Aspiration all, potentiality all --out crush, and **individuality** =96 out crush! Employed gainfully, others, thousands a **keep** can =96 that person, smart one it is. Individuals, those from only comes success, and universe. . .their **of center** =96 the is everyone.=20

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"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, spat from the fundamentalist's stake.

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Yester-years lads todays 'experts'?

From: **armen victorian** <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 12:04:20 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:29:19 -0500
Subject: Yester-years lads todays 'experts'?

Weeks back in response to a short mail, commenting on Mr. Mantle's joint effort with a German 'Ufologist', in the shape of a forthcoming book on Roswell, in which I wished them both good luck, Mr. Mantle by seizing the moment provided the readership with a short resume of his contribution to the "UFO filed", and raising the question of whether I am in the same "advanced " league as he is!!

In the course of perusing old papers to lighten up the paper weight in my archives I stumbled upon the following letter from Mr. Mantle, that I reproduce here in its entirety. The purpose of this exercise is not to undermine Mr. Mantle's 'contribution' to the field, but rather to remind such 'experts' not to loose sight in self-esteem.

The letter is dated Feb. 1, 1989. Mr. Mantle's address [then];

1 Woodhall Drive,
Healy Lane,
Batley,
West Yorkshire.

Dear Henry" [using my pen name]

Just a few lines to say thank you for your help with the Jane Morrison case. I learned quite a lot from you last Sunday and I look forward to your further involvement with this case.

To say I was impressed with your handling of the case is an understatement but the way you handled her proved beyond any doubt that you have a great deal of experience with abduction cases. I hope that you will allow me to work more closely with you in future so that I too can learn more about abductions and how to investigate such cases more competently. Perhaps I could be your apprentice of sorts.

I have one or two other bits and pieces in my files that I will get copied for you in the next few weeks and I would value your opinion on them. They are all abductions or missing time cases from some time ago but they are interesting nonetheless. I am also looking forward to the regressive hypnosis session you have planned and I will be glad to assist you in any way possible. My colleagues David Clarke and Andy Roberts have also asked me to inform you that they too are only too willing to assist you in any way they can and that your name will be kept strictly confidential at all times.

That's all for now. I'll speak to you again soon.

All the best, [signed] Philip Mantle."

Ms. Morrison's case was a fake. Mr. Mantle based on his own comments had spent two years on the case. Mr. Andrus from MUFON asked me initially to contact Mr. Mantle [then UK MUFON Representative] to assist him with this case. I still have the two year's "hard" work Mr. Mantle had put into the case, as a file, that he submitted to me for study.

A journey into this case provides ample food for thought for those who after studying a book or two by popular figures in UFO field are suddenly - overnight - experts. More importantly, the fate of those who for one reason or another, are desperately seeking help to remedy problems that more often

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than not stem from a number of factors other than "Alien" involvement is further marred by such "experts".

Armen Victorian

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Credibility

From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 11:43:51 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:16:17 -0500
Subject: Credibility

Dear Errol:

I passing this message on to you from my good friend Fran Ridge of PROJECT LUNASCAN and the UFO FILTER CENTER...

UFO FILTER CENTER MESSAGE

URGENT!!!!!!

In business or government, when something important occurs that needs to be addressed or countered, someone knowledgeable and assigned to the task makes a statement or holds a press conference.

I have been saying this for years: THE SERIOUS PORTION OF THE UFO COMMUNITY NEEDS A SPOKESMAN! I assumed that MUFON would have one eons ago, then later assumed the Coalition would have one. The UFO community misses the boat every time an event occurs, good or bad. Someone, who knows the subject well, should have made a statement regarding this event. If this was done, I never saw any mention of it on the news, nor heard anything about it on the internet. We need a person with the caliber and charisma of a Dr. James McDonald, someone who knows the subject and does not come off as a "believer" or fanatic. This is one of the prime reasons why I do not belong to MUFON any longer. If NICAP still existed, I would be a member TODAY.

As a 37-year veteran of ufology, from NICAP to MUFON & CUFOS, I will do anything and everything I can to change this situation. This has got to be a priority among serious UFO researchers or our decades of hard work will be wasted and our hard-won credibility will be down the tubes. We will revert from volunteer professionals back to hobbyists, from UFOlogists to UFologists.

Francis Ridge
Director, UFO Filter Center

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Yorks/Lancs UK UFO Event

From: **Andy Roberts** <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 29 Mar 97 13:45:31 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:36:09 -0500
Subject: Yorks/Lancs UK UFO Event

>Date: 28 Mar 97 16:17:40 EST
>From: James A Diss <76710.234@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Major UFO Alert in UK?

James wrote:

>Further to Andy's post on this subject the Desk Sergeant
>on the night in question received three phone calls to
>complain of a 'low flying aircraft' over Sheffield.

The video of an aircraft I mentioned
has now been viewed and it does
in fact depict an aircraft -but!

At the end of the section you can
clearly hear one of the filmers
ask what time it is and is told 10.30,
which puts it around twenty minutes after the
original bangs, flashes and general aerial
what have you.

Martin Jeffries involvement came about (on the
surface at least) on the Tuesday morning when
he was informed, by Dave Clarke of the Sheffield
Star, of the event and told the locations. As Dave
said to me immediately after he told Jeffries
"He's sure to find something", and he did. How
sweet! Having attended a few of his groups meetings
I can vouch for the fact that they are hotbeds of ufological
rumour and desire, but you post seems to suggest
(perish the thought) that Martin had more of an
involvement? His group have a major UFO
fest on April 5th in Sheffield which promises to
have the UK's very own Budd Hopkins, Eric
Morris.

No further info on the actual event though.

Andy

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Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

From: **Jerry Washington** <skyeking@aye.net>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 14:59:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:38:39 -0500
Subject: Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

You know...I wouldn't worry too much about the long term effects that mass suicide might have on the cause of UFOlogy. After all, it happened in California, and with apologies to the Golden State--a place I used to call home, flakes are a dime a dozen out there. All this hoopla, all this media attention, it too shall pass. Just as soon as the next scandal, mass murder, or plane crash occurs. That, very simply, is the nature of the world in which we currently live.

Jerry Washington
SD Kentucky/MUFON

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1844 'Moorites' "Heaven's Gate" Religious Cult!

From: **bikebob** <bikebob@MO.NET>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 20:50:43 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:47:53 -0500
Subject: 1844 'Moorites' "Heaven's Gate" Religious Cult!

1844 'Moorites' "Heaven's Gate" Religious Cult

On the Thursday, March 27, 1997, edition of the NBC "Today" show's coverage of the 39-people mass suicide by the "Heaven's Gate" religious cult, they interviewed a physicist (didn't catch his name) who was supposed to be an expert researcher on religious cults. He mentioned that back in 1844 there was *another* "Heaven's Gate" cult known as "Moorites."

The 1844 Moorites (100,000 of them!) were followers of a man named Moore (didn't catch his first name). Moore preached that a comet was the harbinger of imminent earth cataclysm (End of the World).

The physicist said that Moore instructed his followers to take off all of their clothes and climb onto the roofs of their houses on the night of the either the Spring Equinox or just before Easter (can't remember exactly which he said for sure). The purpose of this was supposed to be so that they would be "closer to Heaven" and make it "easier for the angels" (possibly from "spacecraft" -- that's what the physicist said Moore told them) to pick them up and take them up to "Heaven's Gate."

The physicist said that Moore's theory was that with the harbinger (the comet) of the imminent End of the World that "Heaven's Gate" (which Moore and his followers were convinced was of limited *physical* dimensions on another plane) that it was imperative for he and his followers to get a head start to/through it before it became jammed/overcrowded with the coming inundation of all the souls/spirits from the mass of humanity that would soon perish! Moore preached that only so many souls/spirits could pass through "Heaven's Gate" (again, because of its presumed physical limitations) at one time.

As it turns out (according to the physicist being interviewed), apparently not too few of the Moorites ended up dying from either falling off their roofs in the dark, and/or committing suicide. (It is not clear whether or not they committed suicide as a "preemptive strike" in order to try to get an advance jump on "Heaven's Gate" on their own, or out of depressive desperation when the predicted "End of the World" did not materialize as Moore predicted.)

Bob Soetebier

St. Louis County, Missouri

[P.S.: Sorry for the gaps in some of the details in the above info. I was busy with other things at the time and just half listening to the after-the-fact news coverage of the event as I did other things.]

Tailwinds to you...

See you ON the road!

/// BICYCLE BOB ///

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Sunday's News Shows

From: RSchatte@aol.com
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 20:14:21 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:41:37 -0500
Subject: Sunday's News Shows

For those who are overwhelmed with mass suicide... here are some more shows!

Rebecca

Forwarded message:
From: AOLNewsProfiles@aol.net
Date: 97-03-29 19:20:43 EST

c The Associated Press

Lineup for the Sunday TV news shows:

ABC's ``This Week'' - Topic: The Heaven's Gate cult: Examinations of mass suicides. Guests: Rick Bauer, director, Freedom House Ministries; Robert Rubin, former Heaven's Gate cult member; Brad Steiger, author, ``UFOs: Missionaries Extraordinary,' and Gina Smith, ABC News technology correspondent.

CBS' ``Face the Nation'' - Topic: Turmoil in the Middle East. Guests: Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu. Topic: The Oklahoma City bombing trial. Guest: John Walsh, former prosecutor.

NBC's ``Meet the Press'' - Topic: Budget, Taxes and the U.S. Economy. Guests: Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin; and former Senator Sam Nunn, incoming chairman of the Concord Coalition. Topic: The Oklahoma City Bombing Trial. Guests: Gov. Frank Keating, R-Okla., and Weldon Kennedy, former FBI deputy director. Topic: Cults. Guests: Dr. Robert Schuller, minister, Crystal Cathedral; James Lewis, Institute for the Study of American Religion; and Janja Lalich, author ``Captive Hearts, Captive Minds: Freedom and Recovery from Cults.''

CNN's ``Late Edition With Frank Sesno'' - Topic: Mammogram test standards; Health Care Commission. Guest: Health and Human Service Secretary Donna Shalala. Also: A preview of the Oklahoma City bombing trial. Guests: Criminal defense attorney Roy Black and constitutional lawyer Floyd Abrams.

``Fox News Sunday'' - Topic: Race relations in America. Guest: Minister Louis Farrakhan, Nation of Islam. Topic: What is the future of the GOP and Speaker Gingrich? Guest: Ralph Reed, executive director of the Christian Coalition.

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Tom Lykis' Radio Show Attacks Art Bell

From: Erik <Beckjord@transbay.net>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 18:59:38 GMT
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 08:53:19 -0500
Subject: Tom Lykis' Radio Show Attacks Art Bell

To lists:

FYI, liberal talk show guy Tom Lykis, also syndicated, spend hours attacking Art Bell and Courtney Brown on his network yesterday.

I am told many, many other radio stations did, including several that replayed the ENTIRE COURTNEY BROWN BLATHER for ten hours straight. The followed it by more hours of the Art Bell expose of Brown.

Now, I have stood up for free speech, (on BF networks), but I will draw the line as said in the previous message. There are limits.

Death is a good limit.....

EB

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AUFORA: Mass suicide reactions

From: David Watanabe <davew@aufora.org>
Date: Sat, 29 Mar 97 23:57:40 -0700
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 10:03:15 -0500
Subject: AUFORA: Mass suicide reactions

AUFORA News Update
Saturday, March 29th, 1997 <http://www.aufora.org/>

Some reader reactions regarding the Rancho Santa Fe mass suicide:

>From Bunky60@aol.com :

"Seems that the only times UFOs make it into the news are as part of some misguided individual's mixed up cosmology. Not everyone interested in the phenomena is unhinged, I wish the media would get it."

>From dlmoo@comsys.net :

"My take is this, if there was a UFO next to the comet, and if the aliens were watching the news coverage of the mass suicide, they would be looking at each other and shaking their heads saying, 'What the hell is the matter with them?'"

>From equinox@buffnet.net

"There needs to be a large warning sign posted on the entry to UFO studies; 'The study of the UFO phenomenon is NOT a substitute for religious belief, if you need emotional or spiritual fulfillment you will not find it here'"

"Your article helps bring some focus and needed criticism to a field that is overwhelmed by Space Brothers, Higher Steps on the Evolutionary ladder and the X-Files. It may be boring to ruthlessly examine the evidence but ultimately it will prove much more fruitful in finding the truth."

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NOT a comet!?

From: "Jane S. Derry" <derryj@galesburg.net>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 06:35:44 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 11:15:32 -0500
Subject: NOT a comet!?

Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 12:06:54 -0800
To: minnie@pe.net
From: minnie@pe.net (Gary/Robyn Goodwin)
Subject: UPDATE! NEW HST IMAGES AND DATA

Dear Friends,
Well it's finally here! Some vendication for my "wild" and "unscientific" ideas! Hal Weaver and friends have released new HST photos and data that are no less than MONUMENTAL!

The "olivine" connection was the clue. Hale Bopp is not a comet. At least in the traditional sense. It resembles a planet more than a comet! And the scientists are stumped! (But not us!)

Please come and see my new update. You will truly be as shocked as I was to see the astronomers take a giant step "this way", as I was!

In the coming weeks I will make excerpts and comments from the studies available on the page.

<http://www.pe.net/~minnie/shechinah.html>

Thank you all again and again and again for the support and the success of the Truth About Hale Bopp!
gary d. goodwin

Again, please let me know if you would like to be removed from this list.

Loving people unconditionally is not for the weak of heart! How many of you can truthfully say that you love your neighbor? How many even know your neighbor's names? When is the last time you even spoke to your neighbor, face to face? Think about it! ;D

E-Mail address; derryj@Galesburg.net
MY UFO PAGE address; <http://www.Galesburg.net/~derryj/ufo/>
GREAT SEX IN A BOTTLE!!! <http://www.maidman.com/rvma/derry>

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Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 11:49:17 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 11:49:17 -0500
Subject: Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

From: "David" <grack@anv.net>
To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 06:37:59 -0800
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

On 30 Mar 97 at 8:38, UFO UpDates - Toronto wrote:

> Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 14:59:58 -0500
> From: Jerry Washington <skyeking@aye.net>
> Organization: Kentucky/MUFON
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Cult

> You know...I wouldn't worry too much about the long term effects that
> mass suicide might have on the cause of UFology. After all, it happened
> in California, and with apologies to the Golden State--a place I used to
> call home, flakes are a dime a dozen out there. All this hoopla, all
> this media attention, it too shall pass. Just as soon as the next
> scandal, mass murder, or plane crash occurs. That, very simply, is the
> nature of the world in which we currently live.

> Jerry Washington
> SD Kentucky/MUFON

I think Jerry has made more sense in one paragraph than all of the news stories and mailinglist comments combined. When all is said and done, this will be just another page in the forgotten history of the times we live in. Let's get on with the important stuff now, and forget about this week's sideshow.

[Glen Parrack]

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Re: Yester-years lads todays 'experts'?

From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 04:02:07 +0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 11:37:37 -0500
Subject: Re: Yester-years lads todays 'experts'?

> Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 12:04:20 -0500
> From: armen victorian <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
> Subject: Yester-years lads todays "experts"?
> To: "Errol Bruce-Knapp" <updates@globalserve.net>

> Weeks back in response to a short mail, commenting on Mr. Mantle's
> joint effort with a German 'Ufologist', in the shape of a
> forthcoming book on Roswell, in which I wished them both good luck,
> Mr. Mantle by seizing the moment provided the readership with a short
> resume of his contribution to the "UFO filed", and raising the
> question of whether I am in the same "advanced " league as he is!!

> In the course of perusing old papers to lighten up the paper weight in
> my archives I stumbled upon the following letter from Mr. Mantle, that
> I reproduce here in its entirety. The purpose of this exercise is not to
> undermine Mr. Mantle's 'contribution' to the field, but rather to remind
> such 'experts' not to loose sight in self-esteem.

> The letter is dated Feb. 1, 1989. Mr. Mantle's address [then];

> 1 Woodhall Drive,
> Healy Lane,
> Batley,
> West Yorkshire.

> Dear Henry" [using my pen name]

> Just a few lines to say thank you for your help with the
> Jane Morrison case. I learned quite a lot from you last
> Sunday and I look forward to your further involvement with
> this case.

> To say I was impressed with your handling of the case is an
> understatement but the way you handled her proved beyond any
> doubt that you have a great deal of experience with abduction
> cases. I hope that you will allow me to work more closely with
> you in future so that I too can learn more about abductions
> and how to investigate such cases more competently. Perhaps I
> could be your apprentice of sorts.

> I have one or two other bits and pieces in my files that I
> will get copied for you in the next few weeks and I would value
> your opinion on them. They are all abductions or missing time
> cases from some time ago but they are interesting nonetheless.
> I am also looking forward to the regressive hypnosis session
> you have planned and I will be glad to assist you in any way
> possible. My colleagues David Clarke and Andy Roberts have
> also asked me to inform you that they too are only too willing
> to assist you in any way they can and that your name will be
> kept strictly confidential at all times.

> That's all for now. I'll speak to you again soon.

> All the best, [signed] Philip Mantle."

> Ms. Morrison's case was a fake. Mr. Mantle based on his own comments had
> spent two years on the case. Mr. Andrus from MUFON asked me initially to
> contact Mr. Mantle [then UK MUFON Representative] to assist him with this
> case. I still have the two year's "hard" work Mr. Mantle had put into the
> case, as a file, that he submitted to me for study.

>
> A journey into this case provides ample food for thought for those who
> after studying a book or two by popular figures in UFO field are suddenly -
> overnight - experts. More importantly, the fate of those who for one reason
> or another, are desperately seeking help to remedy problems that more often
> than not stem from a number of factors other than "Alien" involvement is
> further marred by such "experts".
>
> Armen Victorian

Dear Henry,

Shall I delve into my file and allow readers of this list some insight into your own character. No, I would not do that. I think it is fair to say that we humoured you a great deal when you were Henry Azadehdel or Doctor Henry as you liked to be know, but as we know you are not a doctor of physics as you originally stated.

I've never claimed to be ab 'expert' in anything and the Jane Morrison case is not a fake as far as I'm concerned. I did have her visit a real doctor, a man with a PhD, a psychologist of excellent standing, and he gave her a clean bill of health. I rest my case. What lies behind Jane's experience I do not know and thak you for publisher her real name which I had always kept confidential even in our book which dealt with the case.

The only people who marr this subject are those who make false claims that are fraudulent (like your PhD which was non-existant) and a whole host of othe things Henry. If I were you I'd stick to writing for the Birdsall's UFO Magazine as it is where you go well together.

Regards.

PM.

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Cult Was Armed?

From: Grant Robert Cameron <gcameron@cc.umanitoba.ca>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 03:11:10 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 10:28:04 -0500
Subject: Cult Was Armed?

It has recently been reported that the Heaven's Gate had purchased 40 acres of land near Manzano, New Mexico where they lived prior to going to Rancho Santa Fe. On the 40 acres the group built a compound. It is reported that "the walls they constructed are made out of old tires packed with dirt and stacked upon each other."

Combine that picture with the following fact. Even tho' the media has made many claims about the Heaven's Gate group using the Internet to recruit members, a simple search will find that other than the Heaven's Gate Page, members of the cult seemed almost to be non-existent on the net except for some members that were in computer groups asking computer questions related to their business.

The group placed one cryptic message on the Usenet in 1996 which was posted to 100 different groups. The Star-Trek group had the same message placed three times.

However in 1995, Marshall Applewhite himself, went on Usenet looking for recruits. The article is entitled " Undercover Jesus Surfaces Before Departure " and is placed by Doe@Ti.Lah. The date of the posting is 1995/09/26.

It is at first evident from Applewhite's posting that the cheese has slipped off the cracker, as he starts the posting by saying " I, Jesus--Son of God..." What, however, is most revealing is his description of how the " laying down of the bodies " is to occur.

In the 70s the original concept was that an actual craft would come and transport the group away. In the end we can see the peaceful way they chose to take their trip to the " Kingdom of Heaven. " In 1995 the explanation of the exit was much different.

As most people know Waco was mentioned on the Heaven's Gate Web site. Now check out the following quote from Applewhite's 1995 post

B. How is this " laying down of our bodies " to occur? If you DO recognize me and choose to look to me for guidance, I would recommend that you purchase firearms, get comfortable using them...In this day and time the authorities make no bones about their "need" to protect the public from " dangerous radicals like us." They will aggressively attempt to require us to abide by their values and their rules (which are of this Luciferian world and its society -- as difficult as that might be to believe). They won't hesitate to trump up charges or suspicions in order to search us or to take us into custody so they can " judge for themselves " whether or not we are some kind of threat. There is no need for us to be submissive to their wishes (such as their search or custody questioning) when we know we have not broken any of God's laws...Our choosing to not " be submissive " -- couple with " being armed "--pretty much addresses the " laying down of our bodies" question.

Now the compound with walls made of dirt and tires makes sense.

Applewhite, however, places a maybe to this saying in part ...If my father does not require this " disposition " of us -- he will take us up into his "cloud of light" (spacecraft) before such a confrontation need occur.

It appears that something happened to change Applewhite's mind, as I believe only one gun was found among their possessions.

If you search this article in DejaNews archives, be sure to check the thread on Applewhite's original post to get the responses posted by others. It is safe to say he was thrashed, and some of the responses are actually quite funny.

In another paper Applewhite called the reaction to the posting as mixed, which further proves the lights were on but no one was home. More accurately, at this point Applewhite stated there "were too many weeds in the garden" to save it.

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Arthur Bray?

From: "Joe Daniels (UFO JOE)" <ufojoe@cron-2.mco.on.ca>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 02:16:57 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 11:50:43 -0500
Subject: Arthur Bray?

I'm trying to do a few biographies on Canadian UFO researchers and authors. Does anyone know the date that Arthur Bray died and the cause of death.

I'm also trying to find out what John Musgrave is doing now that he has left "Ufology". Did he move back to the USA? Anyone know why such a dedicated researcher left the field?

Thank you for your time.

[From UFO Joe Daniels <http://cron-2.mco.net>]

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>dedicated researcher left the field?

Joe,

As far as I know, and as of last summer, Bray was in secluded retirement. He hand over his UFO archive to Ottawa University. Several of us were there last year spending fortunes on the photo copy machines. <G>

Bray apparently doesn't want "to be bothered" any more with ufology and researchers.

As for Musgrave, there were a couple of brief messages regarding him and the fact that he lives in Vancouver now, a week or so ago.

ebk

[November 22nd, 2003: Arthur Bray contacted me pointing out that the above post from me contained misinformation. I apologise to Arthur Bray and suggest that the reader go to:

<http://members.rogers.com/vlourenco/mufon/bray01.htm>

for, as he wrote me, "the truth of the matter". --ebk]

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Re: Yester-years lads todays 'experts'?

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Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 13:58:53 -0500
Subject: Re: Yester-years lads todays 'experts'?

Re:

> Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 04:02:07 +0000
> From: Philip Mantle <el51@dial.pipex.com>
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> Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Yester-years lads todays 'experts'?

> I've never claimed to be ab 'expert' in anything and the Jane Morrison
> case is not a fake as far as I'm concerned. I did have her visit a real
> doctor, a man with a PhD, a psychologist of excellent standing, and he
> gave her a clean bill of health. I rest my case.

Philip,

Without wishing to interrupt such an entertaining spat, I'm interested to know why, in your opinion, a psychologist's positive assessment of someone's mental health represents proof that their story is true.

Rob Irving

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Re: Beckjord's comments

From: Don Allen <dona@totcon.com>
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Fwd Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 13:55:25 -0500
Subject: Re: Beckjord's comments

>Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 18:55:37 GMT
>To: ufobfmuseum@value.net
>From: DONZON@aol.com (by way of Erik <Beckjord@transbay.net>)
>Subject: Re: Courtney Brown and 39 SUICIDES

>To Erik Beckjord:

>Your statement dated 3/27/97 2:15:51 PM:

>> Imnsho, the garbage foisted on the Net and the World by Brown,
>> and later, by Ed Dames, about the Hale-Bopp "object" was seemingly
>> seized on by the computer freaks in that web-site-making cult in San Diego,
>> and the end result has been:

>> DEATH.

>> Thanks Art Bell, for letting these idiots on, to pass on their
>> fako-messages. The three of you can share the blame.

>Erik, that is an extremely irrational and irresponsible statement to make.
>The deaths of the UFO cultists cannot be blamed on the airing of information
>by Art Bell and the support of Courtney Brown and many other responsible
>people. Those people were in a long-lived cult that had for many years been
>convinced they needed to leave their earthly bodies for their own salvation.
...

>I suggest you put out a public apology to the people you mentioned above and
>I dare you to forward this letter to the same lists you posted your
>condemnation letter.

>Don Waldrop (DONZON@aol.com)
>Director, MUFON Los Angeles

Public apology?? I don't believe Art Bell deserves any apology for Beckjord's blunt comments. They're long overdue, in my not so humble opinion. It appears to me that the ones largely responsible for foisting loads of UFO-related conspiratorial garbage on the Net have indeed been Art Bell, Courtney Brown and Ed Dames. My call is that Eric nailed it precisely.

Don't believe me? Go read back archives of the I_UFO list, one of the looniest, most gullible conferences that promotes most of this crap without the first bit of critical scrutiny.

You want to talk about real irresponsibility, what about the "This Week" (without David Brinkley) segment that just aired this morning that featured a blatant fraud and UFO poser, Lee Shargel, giving his comments about Bo & Peep ? Compared with his "dolphinoid aliens left a mark on my chest" statement to Sam Donaldson, his fellow interviewee, Brad Steiger, looked the embodiment of sanity.

Sheesh!

Art Bell is not after Truth, he's only in it for ratings. Courtney Brown got caught with his pants down since his RV's were all wrong and Ed Dames is only hyping himself for marketability.

None of these three have any integrity whatsoever. I am never afraid to call a spade a spade and won't be apologizing

Re: Beckjord's comments

to anyone for doing so. There isn't a Politically Correct
bone in my entire body.

Don

"That curmudgeon from down South"

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Strange Universe - Phoenix area broadcast

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Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 10:00:12 -0500
Subject: Strange Universe - Phoenix area broadcast

Suddenly with a very bad timing the show Strange Universe will not air in Phoenix as scheduled. Instead "Married With Children" will take its place. I have heard that this is because of "Cox Communications" here in the Phoenix area.

Strange Universe has devoted the entire show on the Arizona sightings and all of the sudden Cox has pulled the show off the air in Phoenix area the night this episode is supposed to air.

Is this a coincidence or a cover-up in Phoenix. We are asking all residents in the Phoenix area or worldwide to call Cox Communication and complain about cancelling the show in Phoenix.

Cox Communications
Customer Service 602-277-1000
P.O. BOX 37937
Phoenix, AZ 85069-7937

Another example of media black out and trying to shut down or kill off the story. If 48 hours covers this story will it get cancelled from Cox too?

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Tales from the dark side of 'flying saucer'

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Subject: Tales from the dark side of 'flying saucer'

Forwarded from the Forteana list. Thought this might be of interest given the recent worries that all ufologists will find themselves tarred with the "cultist" brush:

Seen in The San Francisco Examiner on 31 /March 1997

The UFO Field
by
Keay Davidson EXAMINER SCIENCE WRITER

The "UFology" movement has attracted so many questionable characters selling so many strange tales that embarrassed veteran UFO investigators have distanced themselves from the field.

Last week's mass suicide of UFO cultists is simply the latest example of the increasingly bizarre evolution of the "flying saucer" field.

In the 1950s, the weirdest UFO tales involved handsome aliens who befriended ordinary people, took them on interplanetary tours of Mars and Venus, expressed faith in God, and pleaded for peace on Earth.

Now, the movement resembles a nonstop episode of the bleak, paranoid TV series "The X-Files."

Reading UFO books, magazines and Web sites, one would think that thousands of Americans have been kidnapped from their beds, hauled aboard saucers and medically examined by aliens; that laser-wielding UFO-nauts land in pastures and carve up cattle; that space beings try to create "hybrids" of humans and aliens; that a UFO crashed in Roswell, N.M., in 1947; and that the U.S. government keeps the alien crash victims' pickled bodies at a secret military base in Nevada.

"You see enough of this, and you get more skeptical," grumbles veteran investigator James Moseley of Key West, Fla., whose long-lived, gossipy newsletter 'Saucer Smear' has made him the master chronicler of UFology.

After more than three decades in the field, "I don't believe any of the (UFO) landings. I don't believe in Roswell," Moseley said. "Certainly people are seeing things in the sky that we can't explain, but I don't think we have any proof" they are aliens.

"I don't think the government does, either," Moseley added, thereby violating one of the cherished canons of UFology: that the government knows the "truth" about saucers but is keeping it secret to "prevent panic" or for some other mysterious reason. "The government . . . is so horrendously incompetent and disorganized that they are incapable of covering their own tracks, much less a mystery of this magnitude."

Another victim of disillusion is Stanford-trained physicist Irwin Wieder of Los Altos.

Over a decade, Wieder spent his spare time investigating a celebrated UFO photo taken in Oregon in 1966. When he discovered that the photo had a mundane explanation and that the photographer - a seemingly credible man with a doctorate and a respectable military background - "was not reliable," Wieder largely soured on the field.

"There's an awful lot of New Age people in the (UFO) field," Wieder said Friday. "There are still some serious people working in UFOlogy . . . but the bulk of them, unfortunately, are not."

When Wieder published his negative findings in 1993 in the Stanford-based Journal of Scientific Exploration, he ruefully admitted in print that for years he had "remained oblivious to an abundance of evidence that should have signaled something was wrong (with the photo). If anything can be learned from this, it is that UFO researchers need to be more diligent in applying the principles of scientific research."

Now, Wieder studies mainly ball lightning, a frontier subject in atmospheric physics where the investigators "are far more serious, more scientific than the average UFO researcher."

He says he believes that this extremely rare, controversial form of lightning - which appears as slow-moving, glowing "balls" - may account for some UFO reports.

The last few years have been rough on the most acclaimed UFO "event" of the last half-century - the alleged "crash" of a saucer at Roswell, N.M., in July 1947. This tale has excited so much interest that it played an important part in last year's mega-cosmic movie blockbuster, "Independence Day," and in many TV shows and books.

The 'Saucer' was a Balloon

In 1995, under congressional pressure, the U.S. Air Force declassified documents that revealed the true identity of the 'saucer': It was fragments of a special balloon launched to detect possible radioactive debris from covert Soviet nuclear explosions.

Worse for UFO buffs was the discrediting of a top Roswell investigator, Donald R. Schmitt. Schmitt had co-written a book about the Roswell case and was "director of special investigations" for the most cautious pro-UFO group, the Center for UFO Studies in Illinois, founded by the late astronomer J. Allen Hynek. Schmitt's writings carried special credibility because he claimed an illustrious background in law enforcement.

Then, Gillian Sender, a reporter for Milwaukee magazine, discovered that Schmitt had no background in law enforcement, nor was he working on a doctorate in criminology, as he claimed; he hadn't even finished college. Instead, he was a mail carrier in Hartford, Wis., population 8,000. Schmitt admitted he had "made false statements about certain things."

Schmitt's co-author, Kevin Randle, split with Schmitt and charged in 1995: "I went out on a limb for this guy . . . and he sawed the limb off."

The scientific community ignores UFOs, Randle complained at the time, "because they don't want to be associated with a field full of kooks and nuts. And the fact is, it is full of kooks and nuts."

In San Francisco, another famed UFOlogist is wrestling with the field's wild twists and turns. In the mid-1960s, astronomer-computer expert Jacques Vallee wrote an acclaimed book, "Anatomy of a Phenomenon," that critics called one of the few intellectually interesting books on the subject.

But a few years ago a bitter letter attributed to Vallee popped up in Moseley's World Wide Web edition of Saucer Smear.

"My decision to withdraw from the (UFO) field is consistent with the observation that serious, constructive scientific work is impossible in present conditions," it said. "Over the last few years ufology has squandered close to one million dollars . . ."

in absurd, unscientific procedures centered on abduction 'research', the Roswell fiasco . . . and various field investigations of the Roswell and Gulf Breeze type. I cannot afford to remain associated with any of this, so it is time to go away quietly."

The Gulf Breeze, Fla., case generated many sightings and photographs in Florida in the 1980s. The case climaxed when someone discovered a small model of a UFO hidden inside a home formerly owned by the prime witness, who was then accused of using the model to fake his photos.

Vallee, who is traveling, couldn't be reached for comment. But his wife, Jeanine Vallee, said the letter "sounds just like him. I know he probably did (write) that. As he just said in the letter, the (UFO) field has changed so much and there's not so much research; things are going off the deep end."

Vallee's publisher, Richard Grossinger of North Atlantic Books in Berkeley, said Vallee hadn't so much abandoned the UFO field as distanced himself from parts of it.

"He doesn't want be associated with so-called inquiries into alien abductions and cattle mutilations," Grossinger said.

This has been reported via the Fortean Times On-line Reporting service at <http://www.forteanimes.com>

Nothing in this post is necessarily the opinion of John Brown Publishing or Fortean Times. On a bad day, it might not even be mine.

"It was like groping your way through a thick fog. The beams of your headlights showing the fog back at you. It was like that, yet it wasn't." Lionel Fanthorpe, "The Asteroid Man"

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UFO ROUNDUP

Volume 2, Number 13
March 30, 1997
Editor: Joseph Trainor

39 UFO SECT MEMBERS FOUND
DEAD IN SAN DIEGO

Thirty-nine members of a UFO sect called Heaven's Gate were found dead Wednesday at their rented mansion, Rancho Santa Fe, in San Diego County, California.

The group had rented the home last October and were led by Marshall Herff Applewhite, 66, aka Father John, aka Do (pronounced Doe), formerly "Bo" of "Bo and Peep," aka "the Two," itinerant UFO apostles who first became prominent in the 1970s. (See Newsweek magazine for October 20, 1975.)

Applewhite's consort, Bonnie Lu Truesdale Nettles, aka "Peep," died of liver cancer in 1985.

The victims ranged in age from 26 to 72. All but four have been identified. Among the victims were Thomas Nichols, brother of actress Nichelle Nichols, who starred in TV's original Star Trek, and David Van Sinderen, son of a former chairman of the Southern New England Telephone Co. (SNET).

The official cause of death has not yet been determined, but Det. Lt. Jerry Lipscomb of the San Diego County Sheriff's Dept. said there was no suspicion of anything but suicide.

"Overdose and suffocation, self-inflicted," Lipscomb said, "Nothing in this investigation that would suggest anything but." (See the New York Post for March 29, 1997, page 3)

Dr. Brian Blackbourne, San Diego County medical examiner said toxicological tests on five of the victims showed that three had lethal levels of phenobarbital. "Since the lethal level is 6 grams, it would take 50 tablets of 135 milligrams each to commit suicide." (New York Post, March 29, 1997, page 2)

Yet puzzling discrepancies remain in the official version concerning the original discovery of the crime scene.

On Tuesday, March 25, Richard Ford, aka Rio DiAngelo, a former member of the group, received a videotape in which the 39 members, including 18 women and 21 men, said farewell, announcing their intent "to shed their physical containers" and be lifted up to a UFO reported to be following the comet Hale-Bopp. Also receiving a tape was Rev. Rick

Strawcutter, pastor of a nondenominational Christian church in Adrian, Michigan.

(Editor's Note: The Hale-Bopp "companion," aka "the Saturn-like object" or SLO and the "Hale Mary," was first spotted in November 1996 by amateur astronomer Chuck Shramek. Professional astronomers dismissed Shramek's claim, contending that the object was an eighth-magnitude star, SAO 141894, that had been photographed out of focus. However, other observers sighted and photographed "an anomalous object" an estimated 2,000 kilometers behind the comet until January 10. Also, the SOHO satellite, which photographed the solar tsunami that day, caught an image of an oval-shaped object above the sun. A week later, a NASA press release described the SOHO image as "a proto-comet." There have been no further sightings of the Hale Mary or any other anomalous object since January 10.)

The following morning, Wednesday, March 26, Ford told his employer, Nick Matzorkis, 34, of Beverly Hills about the tape and expressed fears that Applewhite's group may have committed suicide. The two men then drove to San Diego, arriving at about 11 a.m.

"DiAngelo (Ford), who left the cult five weeks earlier, entered the palatial Spanish-type home where his former computer-whiz comrades lived and worked. Matzorkis told him to be out in ten minutes."

"' I didn't want to sit there so I took a five-minute drive and a five-minute drive back and he still wasn't in front of the house,' the businessman recalled."

"I'm wondering, 'What's happening? Is he dead in there, too? Then I finally saw him walk out. He was white as a sheet.'"

"'You trying to tell me there are dead bodies in there?' Matzorkis asked."

"'Yes.'"

"'Where are they?'"

"'They're laying in the beds and cots.'"

(See the New York Post for March 28, 1997, page 6)

Incredibly, after viewing the dead, Ford did not telephone the San Diego County Sheriff's Dept. for over an hour. "Only after he leaves the mansion of mass suicide does he call the local cops at 1:34 p.m."

"DiAngelo (Ford) returns with Matzorkis to L.A. closely listening to news radio and hears nothing of what he tipped the cops to."

"He then becomes such a responsible citizen that he calls the Beverly Hills Police Department at 3 p.m. and they referred him to the San Diego Sheriff's Office, which said it knew nothing." (Steve Dunleavy's column, New York Post, March 30, 1997, page 6)

Arriving at the crime scene at 3:30 p.m. were Deputy Sheriff Robert Brunk and Deputy Sheriff Laura Gacek. From the moment, the officers pulled up to the manion, Deputy Brunk "knew something was wrong. The drapes were pulled, the windows were closed and the outdoor lights were burning in the sunshine." (New York Times, March 30, 1997, page 1)

During the CNN news conference at 7 p.m. Pacific time, Deputy Brunk said he found the front door locked, circled the house, found the windows all closed, and found a side door unlocked. He also said, "I was the first to

enter the building."

Deputy Brunk then "sensed the unmistakable stench of death. Dreading his instincts and hoping against hope, he radioed his partner, Laura Gacek, and waited." (New York Times, March 30, 1997, page 1)

When Deputy Gacek confirmed the odor, the officers entered the darkened room, spotted "the bodies, all white and ages 18-24" who "bore no signs of trauma." (See USA Today, March 27, 1997, page 1) At the news conference, Deputy Brunk said he and Gacek then left the premises and radioed for backup.

According to San Diego Sheriff's Commander Alan Fulmer, "deputies wearing surgical masks 'encountered a noxious, pungent odor,' and two were sent to the hospital for blood tests. A hazardous materials (Hazmat) crew was on the scene." (USA Today, March 27, 1997)

At the news conference, Deputy Brunk said he and Gacek were given a blood test. The results of the blood test were not released.

Nor were the results of any chemical tests performed by the Hazmat crew at the crime scene.

A videotape aired on KCOP-TV shows a deputy in a yellow jacket wearing a respirator, not a surgical mask. (See USA Today for March 28-30, 1997, page 1)

An AP photo of the house shows an open window on the right-hand side (facing the front door), just around the corner about 40 feet (12 meters) from the door. (See the Boston Herald for March 28, 1997, page 3) The window's white drape is clearly visible.

"The foul smell deputies encountered when they entered the house was not nerve gas but the odor of decomposing bodies, officials said."

"'There were no gas fumes in the house. The only smell coming out of that house was that of dead bodies,' said Cmdr. Alan Fulmer." (See the New York Daily News for March 28, 1997, page 3)

APPLEWHITE GROUP LINKED TO BLAVATSKY, TWAIN

Heaven's Gate, the UFO group headed by Marshall Herff Applewhite, had links to 19th Century occultists, including Madame Blavatsky and novelist Samuel Langhorne Clemens, better known as Mark Twain.

The house at 18241 Colina Norte is just down the street from the San Dieguito Reservoir, a favorite spot of Mrs. Katherine A. Tingley, a disciple of Madame Helena P. Blavatsky. Mrs. Tingley moved to San Diego in 1896 and founded an ashram of the Theosophical Society at Point Loma. The center opened February 25, 1897, with a ceremony attended by several prominent people in San Diego, including the mayor. (See the San Diego Union for February 26, 1897)

Like Applewhite, Mrs. Tingley believed that a major cataclysm would sink most of California and end Western civilization. She predicted that San Diego would survive to become the capital of an island nation called "Nueva California."

She also had an interesting vision of alabacore tuna swimming through the drowned halls of the Assembly building in Sacramento.

Another one of Madame Blavatsky's disciples had a vision in India in 1907 of San Diego in the year 2100 as "a gleaming white city and capital of the New Age world."

Interestingly enough, in 1907, Samuel Langhorne Clemens, aka Mark Twain, wrote a short story entitled "Extract from Captain Stormfield's Trip to Heaven," in which the hero leaves Earth for "an extended excursion among the heavenly bodies" on the tail of a comet.

In the story, the hero has his passport on him, plus five dollars and three 25-cent pieces for the fare.

Many of the Heaven's Gate victims had their passports on their persons and \$5.75 in their hands. (See New York Post, March 29, 1997, page 6)

In a strange twist, the comet Hale-Bopp has the same initials as Helena Blavatsky.

Also, the acronym for Evolutionary Level Above Human (ELAH) spells HALE backwards. (See the Boston Herald for March 29, 1997, page 3)

ORANGE GLOBES CONTINUE TO BE SEEN IN ONTARIO

The Southern Ontario CSETI working group, led by Jennifer Jarvis, spotted three orange-sphere UFOs over Lake Ontario at 8:14 p.m. on Saturday, March 22, 1997.

The group had gone to the lakeshore at Oakville, Ont., near Port Credit to skywatch when "three orange orbs, lights, but not emitting light" appeared over the lake midway between Oakville and St. Catharines, Ont. on the south shore.

"These things were brilliant orange-to-yellow, hovered, and did not fade out. They submerged," Jarvis reported. "All three went below the surface of the water."

Despite rainy weather, the group continued its vigil throughout the week, periodically spying the same type of orange-sphere UFO. On Wednesday, March 26, 1997, one orange globe reportedly "returned signals" from the CSETI group before submerging.

Jarvis's group went to Grimsby, Ont. on Saturday, March 29, 1997 to triangulate the UFOs' position over the lake.

On Thursday, March 27, at 7:40 p.m., Peter K. left his house in Oshawa, Ont., 30 miles (48 kilometers) east of Toronto to look for the comet Hale-Bopp and saw "the most unusual aerial display I ever hope to see. Two objects coming from the southwest to the northeast at very high altitude. Only lasted 4 or 5 seconds before they disappeared into the light pollution on the northern horizon."

At 8:10 p.m., Peter went outside again, saw some cirrus clouds moving in, went to the other side of the house to look eastward and spotted three orange-sphere UFOs. He then called his girl friend Sonja in Bowmanville.

At 9:52 p.m., he went outdoors once more and saw "ten of these things. Saw two flying west to east, followed by a formation of four (two pairs) at much lower altitude. Spectacular! Saw another pair going east to west and a few singles going south to north and north to south." (Many thanks to Jennifer Jarvis and Errol Bruce-Knapp for this story.)

MYSTERIOUS EXPLOSION
JARS SOUTH YORKSHIRE

On Monday, March 24, at 10:06 p.m., a deafening explosion was heard in the skies over South Yorkshire, not far from the Derbyshire line in Britain.

Detectors at the Seismic Unit at Edinburgh University, Scotland, picked up vibrations from the explosion, which they likened to "a sonic boom that could have only been made by the Concorde, a military jet at low altitude, or a bolide."

Witnesses at Marjorie Hill, South Yorks. claim to have seen a UFO hovering above the peak, "shining light beams at the hillside" at the time of the explosion.

The explosion sparked rumors of an airplane crash. A search of the area, including six RAF Tornado jet interceptors, turned up no wreckage, and the search was called off on Tuesday, March 25.

By then, however, rumors of "a saucer crash and retrieval" had spread throughout Britain. One story told of a glowing orange triangle hovering over Wigan, Lancashire. But Tim Matthews, head of the Lancashire UFO Society, disputed that report.

Matthews said LUFOS observers saw no "flying triangle" take off from the Warton British Aerospace research facility at Preston that night, and his group received no calls about UFOs at Wigan or anywhere else in Lancashire. (Many thanks to John Hayes, Graham Birdsall and Tim Matthews for this story.)

OHIO ROCKED BY A WAVE OF
ORANGE GLOBE SIGHTINGS

On Wednesday, March 26, 1997, at 8 p.m., Jesse W. and his friend, Josh M., were out looking for the Hale-Bopp comet on Cheltenham Drive in Mount Healthy, Ohio when they "saw a large white light 50 to 60 degrees above the horizon." The UFO was "surrounded by 'smaller' lights" and "a red light was seen on the side" of the UFO. They watched the display for five minutes until the UFO flew away to the north.

Also at 8 p.m., David S. was working at a warehouse in Wilmington, Ohio when co-workers called him outdoors to witness a strange display in the sky. Looking east toward Hillsboro, Dave saw "a large orange fireball, which disappeared and then reappeared. It would fade as another reappeared, almost in perfect configuration with each other, assuming the shape of a boomerang."

Dave's co-workers had been watching the display since 7:30. At precisely 7:40, they told him, four fighter jets had appeared in the northwest sky. The jets had flown southeast, straight towards the orange lights. "As the lights would 'come on,' the jets would fly into the general vicinity as if playing a game of cat-and-mouse," Dave reported. The orange globes appeared eight times between 7:30 and 8:45 p.m.

At 9:15 p.m., John B. and his girlfriend were in Loveland, Ohio and saw "several lights which held stationary and then accelerated at rapid speed. There was also a main object and smaller objects in triangular formation. The main object was 'absolutely huge.'" The UFOs flew away to the north.

Veteran UFO investigator Jerry Black received an anonymous tip from Wilmington, Ohio airport that two F-16s from the Air National Guard base in Springfield would be on "maneuvers" for the next few hours.

On Thursday, March 27, 1997, Kenneth Young of Tri-States Advocates for Scientific Knowledge (T.A.S.K.) telephoned the Ohio Air National Guard at Springfield. A sergeant told Young that eight F-16s from the 162nd Fighter Squadron had engaged in "night intercept air combat exercises" over Clermont County. The orange globes seen, he reportedly explained, were "military flares," which are used to "divert enemy aircraft sensors and heat-seeking missiles" during combat. (Many thanks to Kenny Young of T.A.S.K. for this story.)

ORANGE GLOBE HOVERS OVER DUKE UNIVERSITY

On Tuesday, March 25, at 11 p.m., student Brian Eddowes walked out of the Lilly Library on the East Campus of Duke University in Durham, North Carolina. As he stepped into the quad, he spied a bright light in the western sky, hovering over the Union Building.

"I noticed an orangeish light about 30 degrees above the horizon," reported Brian, who was with six other students in the quad at the time. "It was motionless, and for some reason I took time to observe it. Suddenly it changed shape and dropped really low, and then after 10 seconds, changed shape again to a series of red and blue lights...the way to describe the UFO lights was there did not appear to be any 'glare' about them and no noise at all."

Brian said the lights flew away in the direction east-northeast. (Email interview)

UFO STARTLES WOMAN IN OAKTON, VIRGINIA

On Saturday night, March 15, 1997, Ms. Kathleen N. spotted two "large bright lights" just outside her window in Oakton, Virginia.

"The lights passed by my house as I looked out the window," she reported. "Then I became curious and popped up to see where the lights were heading."

"As I looked out the back window, the lights had suddenly turned and were coming back across my backyard, at above the trees. I was astonished. Then I went out onto the porch and looked up. To my amazement, I saw many rows of smaller white lights with a few red lights in the middle. I could not see a craft, but it seemed like I was looking up (at) the underneath of a craft with lights on the bottom."

"The two bright lights had moved quickly, but these lights were moving slowly. It moved in a straight line above the trees. As it flew away, I noticed a low-level hum and a swoosh." (Email interview)

JUMBO SAUCERS HAUNT SKIES OVER SAO PAULO STATE

On Tuesday, March 4, 1997, at 9 p.m., a very large silver-gray domed saucer flew over the city of Piracicaba, in Sao Paulo state, Brazil. Hundreds of people watched the immense, disc-shaped UFO, estimated to be 100 meters (330 feet) in diameter, move slowly over the city. Eyewitnesses described the UFO as "an immense flattened disc with a small dome and flashing multicolored lights."

At 11 p.m., two hours after Piracicaba sighting, another jumbo saucer of the same description was seen by dozens of people in Santa Gertrudis, S.P.,

a small city near Piracicaba. From beneath the UFO, "several small objects were seen to emerge." These objects flew around for 20 minutes and then reentered the giant saucer, which flew away towards the west.

On February 26, 1997, at 11 p.m., five male Brazilian students driving home in Ribeirao Preto, S.P. "saw a light come down and hover in front of the car they were driving." The UFO then took up position behind the car and pursued it into the city. The high-speed chase lasted five minutes. Afterward, the UFO rose quickly and flew away at high speed. (Muito obrigado a Eduardo Castor Borgonovi para eses casos.)

AION MEMBERS SPY ORANGE
GLOBE NEAR PUNTA ARENAS

Ufologists from Agrupacion de Investigaciones Ovniologicas (AION) set up a research project in Punta Arenas, Chile on Monday, March 24, 1997.

On Thursday, March 27, 1997, several AION members "spotted some lights make strange movements" north of the southern Chilean city. "One of the UFOs split into two. Then behind these lights appeared a UFO about 40 meters (125 feet) in diameter, full of strong lights, hundreds of them, flashing like the globe in a discotechque." The UFO dropped smaller orange spheres and then flew away after five minutes." (Muchas gracias a Luis Sanchez para ese informacion.)

>From the UFO Files...

1977: A PILOT VANISHES

The western end of Lake Ontario, now being investigated by the Southern Ontario CSET working group was the site of a baffling aircraft disappearance nearly 20 years ago.

"On December 22, 1977, Craig Carlisle, an American pilot, took off from the airport at Oshawa, on the north side of Lake Ontario, in a twin-engine Cessna, N404SA. His destination was Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, by way of Buffalo, New York, and the first leg of the flight was over the western end of Lake Ontario."

"According to Major Al Ditter, spokesman for the Canadian Forces Base at Toronto, the aircraft left Oshawa at 9 p.m. and in less than half an hour was at midpoint in its flight over the lake. At this point, the controllers at Toronto's International Airport handed control of this flight over to the Buffalo controllers."

"However, there was a problem. The Buffalo controllers could not find any such flight on their radar screens and they informed Toronto Control of this fact. When the Toronto controllers checked their screens, they discovered that they too had lost the aircraft's blip. In the minute or so it had taken to transfer the flight, the plane had suddenly vanished."

"After two days of searching this thirty-by-forty-mile stretch of water without any success, the search was called off...Aircraft number N404SA had been added to the long list of others that have mysteriously vanished without a trace." (See GATEWAY TO OBLIVION by Hugh Cochrane, Avon Books, June 1981, pages 67 and 68)

That's it for this week. We'll try to play catch-up with our UFO sightings and, more importantly, run an important announcement from John Hayes in next Sunday's issue. See you then.

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Newsday article, Sunday 3/30/97

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 00:35:16 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:00:51 -0500
Subject: Newsday article, Sunday 3/30/97

Hi all,

Paul Vitello is a Pulitzer Prize winning news journalist. He also happens to be my wife's cousin and someone I have been very close to for almost thirty years. He called me on Saturday and asked me if it was okay to talk about our relationship within the context of an article about the suicides in San Diego.

It's a fine article as far as news 'features' go, but it also provides some insight into the complexities that are introduced into relationships when a family member proclaims the they are being abducted by aliens. My family loves me, and it has been as difficult for them as it has been for me. I mention a this for the benefit of those who labor under the false illusion that the only reason that people 'go public' is for "attention" or 15 minutes of fame.

Not true. The price that I (we) have paid, (and continue to pay) for living up to the higher dictates of my (our) conscience is not something easily assessed. It has cost me, and my loved ones dearly.

All for the sake of telling the truth.

Enjoy the article.

John Velez

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Newsday, Sunday 3/30/97

It's a Struggle, Staying Grounded

By Paul Vitello

Someone I know became convinced recently that he was abducted by aliens from outer space.

I have known him since I was a teenager. Besides being a smart and cheerful man, he is as kind as St. Francis of Assisi and as funny as a late-night comedian. People who know him smile at the mention of his name.

But when he gets started on this abduction story, it is not cheerful or funny; it is scary. The first time he told it to me, we were standing in the middle of a backyard party, with people all around, and a warm evening breeze in the air - and I suddenly felt my skin turn cold.

It was not just because the story he told was chilling, or because I could see the fear in his face as he described new scars on his body and on those of others like him who have been abducted, or as he bravely told of his decision to help 'researchers' collect military radar and videotape evidence of the many recent visitations on earth by extraterrestrials.

I felt clammy, mostly, at seeing a person I thought I knew transformed before my very eyes into someone I couldn't really ever know.

If he hadn't actually been taken by the aliens, he might as well have been: He sees the central reality of his life as an alien abduction; I see it as his having a good and healthy life in America. Therein is what they call in Washington an informational disconnect.

There is a leap - and I don't know in what direction, or how far - between my friend's story of abduction and the story related posthumously by the 39 members of the so-called Heaven's Gate cult, who committed suicide last week outside San Diego in order to return to their "Father's Kingdom." They saw themselves, apparently, as some kind of angels sent to help transport us to the next stage of our evolution.

My buddy has not cut himself off from family and friends, as they did. He enjoys the pleasures of this Earth, which they apparently did not.

He has designed Web sites, as they did, and he is in his 40s, like many of them were; but otherwise he doesn't seem to share a lot with these people who timed their deaths so they could hop a ride on an alien space vehicle they presumed to be floating in the tail of the comet Hale-Bopp.

One of them said in a video prepared for viewing after their deaths: "Maybe they're crazy, for all I know. But I don't have any choice but to go for it because I've been on this planet for 31 years and there's nothing here for me."

My friend, by contrast, likes it here. He is terrified of what the Heaven's Gaters were willing to die for: being taken away.

In the end though, I guess, what makes him really different is that I happen to know him. I have worried about him. I have stood close enough to see that his grip on his "reality" is every bit as white-knuckled as my grip on mine. I would miss him if he went away to space.

What he has in common with the Heaven's Gaters is that he believes in this alien stuff. And I wish he didn't.

You don't have to know someone who thinks he's an alien-abductee to know and be worried about - and increasingly impatient with - the vast and growing number of people who believe there are extraterrestrials among us, or extraterrestrials coming soon, or who believe in angels, or the power of crystals, or the veracity of mediums and psychics, or the imminence of the apocalypse.

They are not all crazy, though some are. Some argue that the early Christians were considered a cult, too. The majority seem able to avoid sharing their excitement with people they know are beyond convincing.

It is a big business. Every third village and every second shopping mall has a store where you can buy the crystals, the pyramids, the angel-o-meters, the Tarot cards, and the books that explain how to use them all. Magazines on the racks in these stores have articles ranging from the relatively benign ("8 Ways to Make Your Kitchen a Sacred Space") to the relatively looney ("A New Look at the Pyramids on Mars"), with lots of communications in between from our brethren in outer space:

"I have come here at the behest of our beloved Creator, whom you know as Sananda," says one un-bylined alien writing in the September issue of a magazine called SEDONA Journal of EMERGENCE! "We have a different name for him, but it would be not pronounced in your language, for you do not have the same intonation as we do . . ." And ya da ya da ya da.

The editor of a magazine called Angel Times issued a statement to Reuters news service casting doubt on the claim of the Heaven's Gate people to be angels. "My position is that God's angels can materialize in human form to deliver a message or for your protection as a guardian angel. But then they dematerialize instantly," said Linda Vephula, the editor-in-chief. Therefore, they were not angels, she said.

The experts say it is anxiety about the millennium.

At the turn of the last century, the same kind of anxiety triggered a huge interest in paranormal phenomena. Literary figures such as Henry James and Arthur Conan Doyle were believers, as were large segments of the British upper class.

What we are going through now is a turn-of-the-century - times 10 - with the Internet churning people's anxieties.

"I counsel a lot of young people, and I have to tell them to slow down, to keep their feet on the ground. They're ready to, you know, get to the next level," said Daniel Akner, a professional psychic and believer in extraterrestrials who manages a New Age store called Instant Karma, in Rockville Centre.

"But, just prior to these suicides, I have to tell you, I was thinking

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Sunday, March 30, 1997

Hm. I don't much like that Sunday up there. I even had a day when I wasn't at my day job this week, but I couldn't get this done in time. It takes literally hours. I had slotted a period of time when I was going to get it done to get it out on time, but that went away for an unavoidable (and appropriate) reason. I'm considering taking a vacation from this, or at least scaling it way back to just highlights for a few weeks. I love doing it, and I get very positive feedback, but it is time and energy consuming at a horrific rate. Let me think about it. For instance, Bufo's WEIRD WORLD has been severely curtailed since I've been doing this, and I have so much to cover there. I feel I should write a piece on Applewhite's group: there is quite a bit that hasn't been covered, and that I think it would be useful for people to know. Well, let's get on to it for this week, and go from there.

FICTIONAL NOTES:

This is where I briefly cover items which are fictional but which I feel are worth mentioning, either because of the impact they have had on the field or vice versa. I don't list weekly shows, just special items. If you want info on the weekly fictional shows, see Rebecca Keith's excellent CNI NEWS MEDIA WATCH at <http://www.cninews.com>.

PERIODICALS

FORTEAN TIMES, FT 97, APRIL 1997. Edited by Bob Rickard and Paul Sieveking. This is a terrific issue! The cover is a great pulp-style, Doc Savage-type illustration of a giant snake nearly swamping a canoe. I hope we see more from Julia Christie! The insides hold-up to the outsides. The major articles include: DID NASA MOON THE WORLD? which is responses to their recent cover story by David Percy claiming that the moon landing was a hoax; LICKED BY THE MOTHER TONGUE by Mike Jay and Joscelyn Godwin is a well-researched piece on St-Yves d'Alveydre's linking of a society from the hollow Earth and the search for a universal ancient human language. I've only skimmed it so far, but I'm really looking forward to it; SNAKES ALIVE! is the cover story, about giant snakes in the Amazon, by Jeremy Wade (who was actually on location in the Amazon). The Bronx Zoo has had a long-standing major reward for a living snake more than 30 feet long...but how would you get one back home? "Abnormal normal" features include the incomparable STRANGE DAYS round-up of seird stories. You can see photos of the Virgin Mary appearance in Clearwater, Florida, and of the "NunBun", the cinnamon bun that looks like Mother Teresa. I also found a piece explaining Herodotus reference to giant ants fascinating. James Easton has the "Forum" this time, writing about the Roswell autopsy film. Rebecca Keith, who does Media Watch, joins FT as a ufology correspondent (congratulations!). Loren Coleman writes about horned serpents, and how they might be dinosaurs. Patrick Huyghe, who dared to put my interview with Louis Stern on the Anomalist website (thanks for all the great response I've gotten on that one!), clocks in with a piece on the "Butterfly Effect"...does everything affect everything else? Richard Seary writes about Elvis down under. Karl Shuker looks at the arguments that some

bats are primates. Letters, ads, reviews...this is a really terrific! One copy, U.S. \$4.95. Your big bookstores (yes, in the U.S., too) should have it. Subscribing would be nice...tell them Bufo sent you. Go to the website...<http://www.forteantimes.com>.

UFO REALITY, #6, February/March 1997. Edited by Jon King. This is a big, glossy, British UFO magazine, with an emphasis on government cover-up. It can also be counted on for lots of UFO photos and intriguing interviews.

This issue's articles includes: THE BIG INVASION (detailed report on recent UFO wave in Israel); a report from the 1st PACIFIC UFO CONFERENCE by Paul Inglesby; A CONVERSTION WITH GEORGE WINGFIELD, an interview by Jon King; MILITARY UFO PROGRAM EXPOSED (specifically, black triangles) by Tim Matthews; MANCHESTER NEAR AIR MISS INCIDENT UPDATE; GULF BREEZE: FACT OR FICTION? by Chis Fowler; DELTAVOLANT, a history of black triangles, by William H. Watson; and IS THIS JUST HAPENING IN WILTSHIRE? about interrogation of UFO investigators, by Roy Hale. Regular features include Newsbytes, Mystery Pics, TUMI, book reviews, Jon King's X-FILE DOCUMENT (this time, about back-engineered tech in England, among other things), letters, and a nice "UFO Connections" listing of groups and researchers. One copy, 2.50 pounds UK, \$4.95 US, \$5.50 Canada, \$6.96 Aus. In England, contact UFO Reality, PO Box 1998, Glastonbury, Somerset, BA6 8YB. In the U.S., contact Orion Marketing, 1807 Cold Springs Road, Liverpool, NY 13090. Please tell them Bufo sent you!

RADIO AND TELEVISION

RADIO: END OF THE LINE with Jeff Rense. They are moving to a new network this week in a well-deserved step-up: congratulations, Jeff! Check the website for station info (at <http://www.endoftheline.com>). Since I'm this late with this one, I do have the listings for this week, so see each day.

SYNDICATED TV:

COULD IT BE A MIRACLE?:

--week of 3/24, precognitive dream saves child; ghost spreads news about disease

--week of 3/31, electrocution prevented by prayer; pregnant Mom saved by mysterious force...this week is also supposed to feature a story based on experiences of researcher Donna Higbee, perhaps now best know for her work on Spontaneous Human Invisibility...what, you haven't seen it ;) ?

NOVA: not exactly syndicated, but check your local PBS station. Many are running the KIDNAPPED BY UFOS? episode that provoked quite a stir last year...it certainly isn't balanced journalism.

PSI-FACTOR (see <http://www.psifactor.com> for stations and airdates and other info)

--week of 3/24, tomb's curse kills archaeologists; disabled plane landed by mysterious forces?

--week of 3/31, No details available

Monday, March 31

SYNDICATED RADIO, ART BELL'S COAST TO COAST: (see website at <http://www.artbell.com> for time and stations)

SYNDICATED TV, MONDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: GULF BREEZE UFOS (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area.)

RADIO: END OF THE LINE (see <http://www.endoftheline.com> for more info): David Icke on "UFOS, world government, and mind control"

LOCAL TELEVISION, SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WASHINGTON, 3:00 PM: JOURNEY: Randolph Winter presents recent video footage of UFO contact in Florida, showing materializing and dematerializing UFOs and a helicopter Brenda Roberts produces.

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC, AND MIRACLES (#4); The Roswell Incident, full episode special

Tuesday, April 1

RADIO, END OF THE LINE (see <http://www.endoftheline.com> for more info): Stanton Friedman, nuclear physicist/ufo investigator/government cover-up expert on the Roswell Incident

SYNDICATED TV, TUESDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC AND MIRACLES (#5): ORIGIN OF THE UNIVERSE; CHICAGO GHOSTS; and PAST-LIFE REGRESSION
5:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, TRAVELERS: about the weird stuff (haunted houses, psychics, etc.) in Salem Massachusetts.
8:00 PM, ABC, THE MYSTERIOUS MAN OF THE SHROUD: about the Shroud of Turin
9:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE:
9:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, ANCIENT PROPHECIES (survey of prophets and the year 2000, including the events at Fatima, Edgar Cayce, Nostradamus, etc.)...hosted by David McCallum.

Wednesday, April 2

RADIO, END OF THE LINE (see <http://www.endoftheline.com> for more info): Michael Lindemann gives his weekly UFO/ET update)

SYNDICATED TV, WEDNESDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

12:00 AM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE:
10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC, AND MIRACLES (#6): MATH & MYSTICISM; WYOMING PRISON GHOST; READING AURAS
6:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, ANCIENT PROPHECIES (survey of prophets and the year 2000, including the events at Fatima, Edgar Cayce, Nostradamus, etc.)...hosted by David McCallum.
7:00 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS
9:00 PM, THE LEARNING CHANNEL, ANCIENT PROPHECIES (survey of prophets and the year 2000, including the events at Fatima, Edgar Cayce, Nostradamus, etc.)...hosted by David McCallum.
11:00 PM, CBS, DAVID LETTERMAN: Dan Aykroyd guests
11:01 PM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, SIGHTINGS

Thursday, April 3

RADIO, END OF THE LINE with Jeff Rense (see <http://www.endoftheline.com> for more info): very controversial UFO researcher Lee Shargel...should be a hot one!

SYNDICATED TV, THURSDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MAGIC, MYSTERIES AND MIRACLES (#7): HAUNTED HOLLYWOOD, PART 1; TAROT READING; MARIAN VISIONS (of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
6:00 PM, A&E, ANCIENT MYSTERIES WITH LEONARD NIMOY: BEFORE THEIR TIME: ANCIENT TECHNOLOGY (not clear if this is really "weird" or not, but appears to be
9:00 PM, A&E, ANCIENT MYSTERIES WITH LEONARD NIMOY: BEFORE THEIR TIME: ANCIENT TECHNOLOGY (not clear if this is really "weird" or not, but appears to be
9:00 PM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: ARE ALIENS TRYING TO CONTACT US?

Friday, April 4

LOCAL RADIO, 8:00 PM (Pacific Time) WGBB 1240 AM, New York: THE JOYCE KELLER SHOW: the host is a psychic who helps callers. Phone number is 516-955-1240

NATIONAL RADIO, END OF THE LINE with Jeff Rense (see <http://www.endoftheline.com> for more info): Jordan Maxwell on "Occult symbols, cults, and UFOs)

SYNDICATED RADIO, ART BELL'S COAST TO COAST: 11:00 PM (see website at <http://www.artbell.com> for stations): Malachi Martin, an expert on exorcisms and a fascinating speaker

SYNDICATED TV, FRIDAY, STRANGE UNIVERSE: (see website at <http://www.rysher.com/strangeuniverse> for stations and playtimes in your area)

12:00 AM, THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL, ARTHUR C. CLARKE'S MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSE: ARE ALIENS TRYING TO CONTACT US?
10:00 AM, THE SCI-FI CHANNEL, MYSTERIES, MAGIC AND MIRACLES (#8): HAUNTED HOLLYWOOD PART 2; ASTROLOGY; KAMBUCHA MUSHROOM
8:00 PM, NBC, UNSOLVED MYSTERIES: UFO sightings, paranormal phenomena recur around a particular family, and Men-In-Black

This is Bufo saying, "If =everything= seemed normal, that =would= be weird!"

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Re: Tales from the dark side of 'flying saucer'

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 97 08:47:36 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:25:34 -0500
Subject: Re: Tales from the dark side of 'flying saucer'

>Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 11:44:02 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Joe McNally <fortean3@easynet.co.uk>
>Subject: FWD: Tales from the dark side of flying saucer research

Regarding James Moseley's comments on UFOs. I don't think he is exactly the caliber of researcher that carries weighty opinion. If he thinks the government is not covering-up anything regarding UFOs, he has his head in the proverbial sand.

The mass suicide event might put a temporary damper on things, but it will only be temporary.

Sincerely,

Bill Hamilton

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Re: Strange Universe - Phoenix area broadcast

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 97 08:59:17 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:29:44 -0500
Subject: Re: Strange Universe - Phoenix area broadcast

>Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 00:04:45 -0500
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
>Subject: Strange Universe Phoenix program cancelled!

>Suddenly with a very bad timing the show Strange Universe
>will not air in Phoenix as scheduled. Instead "Married
>With Children" will take its place. I have heard that
>this is because of "Cox Communications" here in the Phoenix
>area.

Not to worry. The Sunday issue of the Arizona Republic printed
"Married With Children", but todays paper printed it as "Strange Universe"
and the cable company had no change in schedule so we are going to
confirm today that it was a misprint. BTW, they still list the
show at the 1:30 PM playing time.

Bill Hamilton

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Re: Yorks/Lancs UK UFO Event

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Date: 31 Mar 97 10:01:07 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 11:07:07 -0500
Subject: Re: Yorks/Lancs UK UFO Event

>Date: 29 Mar 97 13:45:31 EST
>From: Andy Roberts <101322.751@CompuServe.COM>
>To: UFO Updates <updates@globalserve.net>
>Subject: UK UFO Event

Andy wrote;

>How sweet! Having attended a few of his groups meetings I can
>vouch for the fact that they are hotbeds of ufological rumour
>and desire, but you post seems to suggest (perish the thought)
>that Martin had more of an involvement?

Martin's involvement, as far as I can gather, was observing
'ground troops' and this blue substance. An involvement he's
largely rescinded, now saying that he didn't see anything.

>His group have a major UFO fest on April 5th in Sheffield
>which promises to have the UK's very own Budd Hopkins, Eric
>Morris.

Eric? Well he's got an interesting story to tell about an
'Alan Jones'. I can't repeat it here, but I'll obtain some
copy on it.

As far as this all goes, I suspect that Graham has more info,
as a UFO Magazine team talked to Jeffries recently.

Graham?

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Re: Credibility

From: **Steve Neeley** <stneeley@mail.bright.net>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 11:12:09 -0500
Subject: Re: Credibility

>Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 11:43:51 -0500
>From: Jerry Washington <skyeking@aye.net>
>Organization: Kentucky/MUFON
>To: updates@globalserve.net
>Subject: Re: Credibility

>Dear Errol:

>I passing this message on to you from my good friend Fran Ridge of
>PROJECT LUNASCAN and the UFO FILTER CENTER...

[snip]

>I have been saying this for years: THE SERIOUS PORTION OF THE UFO
>COMMUNITY NEEDS A SPOKESMAN! I assumed that MUFON would have one eons
>ago, then later assumed the Coalition would have one. The UFO community
>misses the boat every time an event occurs, good or bad. Someone, who
>knows the subject well, should have made a statement regarding this
>event. If this was done, I never saw any mention of it on the news, nor
>heard anything about it on the internet. We need a person with the
>caliber and charisma of a Dr. James McDonald, someone who knows the
>subject and does not come off as a "believer" or fanatic. This is one of
>the prime reasons why I do not belong to MUFON any longer. If NICAP
>still existed, I would be a member TODAY.

[snip]

>Francis Ridge
>Director, UFO Filter Center

The notion that MUFON speaks for the UFO community is being debated.
For the record, MUFON are seen to be debunkers by many actual sighters
or experiencers, including myself.

I turned to them originally for help with the repeated sightings of
LITS and triangles in NW OHIO in 1994-95.

They were virtually no help at all. After recieving and signing
for 3 of my LITS photographs Mr. Walt Andrus now refuses to return
them or even acknowledge their whereabouts.

At 08:16 AM 3/30/97 -0500, you wrote:

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Re: Strange Universe - Phoenix area broadcast

From: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 97 07:28:37 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 10:55:16 -0500
Subject: Re: Strange Universe - Phoenix area broadcast

<---- Begin Forwarded Message ---->
From: S.Catam@ix.netcom.com
Date: Fri, 28 Mar 1997 18:46:34 +0000
Reply-To: S.Catam@ix.netcom.com
To: bhamilto@pcshs.com
Subject: Re: STRANGE UNIVERSE AIRING

Dear Friends:

I wanted to take this moment to remind you that we are dedicating an entire show to the recent wave of sightings in Arizona, and the response from people at the GULF BREEZE UFO conference last week. It's the first time we have done a show like this, and I am pleased with the outcome. It will air on Monday Night, March 31st. Please tell all your friends to watch.

STRANGE UNIVERSE is up for renewal, and our fate will be decided in the next two weeks. The powers that be will decide if we are going to continue, and if so, what our show will look like. NOW IS THE TIME FOR YOU TO E-MAIL ME YOUR POSITIVE RESPONSES AND REQUESTS.

Also, if any of you have seen my "greatest hits presentation" that I have done at MUFON meetings, THE PROPHETS CONFERENCE, GULF BREEZE, the UFO EXPO West, please feel free to include your response in the E-mail. Thanks.

Let's hope that we can work together more closely than ever, especially in light of the tragedy in Rancho Santa Fe and the obvious backlash that will be coming from that situation. Ironically, I was moderating a panel in Gulf Breeze the night of the suicides and we talked about the irresponsibility of people going on shows like Art Bell and making grand apocalyptic announcements!

Have a Happy Easter Weekend. Best Wishes, Scott Catamas

Producer-STRANGE UNIVERSE

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Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

From: "Julianne Presson" <earthwrk@cyberport.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 12:10:05 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:00:45 -0500
Subject: Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

> Date: Sat, 29 Mar 1997 14:59:58 -0500
> From: Jerry Washington <skyeking@aye.net>
> Organization: Kentucky/MUFON
> To: updates@globalserve.net
> Subject: Cult

> You know...I wouldn't worry too much about the long term effects that
> mass suicide might have on the cause of UFOlogy. After all, it happened
> in California, and with apologies to the Golden State--a place I used to
> call home, flakes are a dime a dozen out there. All this hoopla, all
> this media attention, it too shall pass. Just as soon as the next
> scandal, mass murder, or plane crash occurs. That, very simply, is the
> nature of the world in which we currently live.

> Jerry Washington
> SD Kentucky/MUFON

Hi Jerry,

As we all know their are flakes (and some very lost and sick people) everywhere. Did you get a look at the "supposed" aborted ET Meeting by "The Team"? Yes, you guessed it is those who are selling the HB companion and the ET mass landing stories that never seem to happen that are spreading this story to prop up the prediction of a landing now for at least four years in a row.

The mailing list/echo where this garbage is being posted has now decided they need to put a disclaimer in their rules to protect themselves. Like it will stand up in court, I think not.

As for the suicides, it is all too easy to forget these folks had families even if they had not had contact with them for many years. The pain and grief the families will go through is not a passing thing. Some have complained about the goulish new coverage when the families had not even been notified.

Let us all pray that no one else will be swayed by the propaganda on a few mailing lists will influence anyone to do something so drastic. Some of the things that are being posted about this suicide (like the one's saying it is all a cover-up to detract from the so-called ships that 'might' be hiding behind the comet) are really nuts. Like it was the secret UFO cover-up people who killed them or they were implanted and programmed by the government to kill themselves. One person in a mailing list has even posted a message stating if anything happens to them it will be because of mind control or an implant. Anyone who believes that needs to find a round room and look for the corners.

What in Gods name is happening to people who are supposed to be intelligent people???

Julie

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'Mr. Mantle's "Humour"'

From: **armen victorian** <106105.3217@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 09:58:24 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 11:04:13 -0500
Subject: 'Mr. Mantle's "Humour"'

I was humbled to hear that Mr. Mantle "humoured" me, as he states in his response.

His comments concerning the involvement of a "Psychologist" in Ms. Jane Morrison's case, raise more questions, than answering the points raised.

In reciprocating Mr. Mantle's "humour", perhaps I should add that Ms. Morrison's residence was put under surveillance, due to the comments she had made, when she broke down crying, failing to answer pointed questions. The only frequent visitor to Ms. Morrison's house, in the space of two weeks when I commissioned our colleagues, was not any "alien", but Mr. Mantle himself - who popped in and out often, enlivening his relation further, more so in unsocial hours.

In reproducing Mr. Mantle's letter, I left one line deliberately out, which I now produce with explanation of the nature of its contents;

"PS: I think I left my video in your car so I'll collect it when I see you next".

I guess this was yet another phase of Mr. Mantle's humour. The video concerned was obtained, without Mr. Harry Harris' knowledge from Mr. Harris' investigation into another well-known "abduction" case. Since I was in touch with Mr. Harris at that time, I was asked by Mr. Mantle to review this video, and see whether I could render any opinion to be used in criticising Mr. Harris' investigations in any manner possible - to put it mildly. Being aware of Mr. Mantle's humorous approach I provided Mr. Mantle with no information. It was obvious from the outset that Mr. Mantle was more interested in other matters rather than an objective research - to promote self-esteem.

Furthering Mr. Mantle's humorous approach, I should perhaps also add that at that time Mr. Mantle was in the employment of a firm, and a union representative within that firm. Utilising his position, he often used to use firm's fax and telephone lines for his private interest - UFOs. Evidence to that effect, does exist in our files, and this matter at that time was brought to the firm's management attention, pointing the fact that such use of company facilities could be legally questionable in the sense that the company would be claiming incurred costs, as company expenditure, whilst balancing the annual expenditure and the taxes.

It is precisely this type of "humour" which perpetuates scars in the community. Gullible members of public, desperate for help from ordeals of "alien" nature, become unwitting guinea-pigs for unqualified referees - which in turn fill pages of pulp - and attract yet more gullible audiences.

Armen Victorian

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Alfred's Odd Ode #120

From: **Alfred Lehmborg** <Lehmborg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 12:54:28 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:00:38 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #120

Apology to MW #120 (For March 30, 1997)

Give a kid who hates =91em a Pez candy.
Have him run a hundred meters out, and stop.
Have him hold up the candy so it masks what=92s behind,=20
As what=92s behind, you=92ll find, can take you down a drop!

Now quick as wink, like down a drain in a sink
Faster than light through the candy!
(Straight down the jaws, and just missing the claws)
(Of a life-force that thought it was dandy).

We are not confined =96 we=92ve left our galaxy behind! =20
(The stars zoom by too quickly to perceive.)
(In front a hot blue is too bright to suit you).
(To the rear a deepest red is not believed).

(In the middle a rainbow, so lush it=92s a pain-bow)
(A searing orange gives way to yellow, then through green.)
(Blue then begins, and the indigo spins)
(Into violet, *rich* beyond dreams).

Let me step down the gain, so as to ease the eye pain
Of seeing the universe so raw and open like a wound.
. . .Now, see you new galaxies fly by like bee=92s,
(You punch through the ether sans sound.)

Now . . .STOP! A lot of light years are behind us.
To the front a lot of light years are there still. . .
(Above, and behind frankly sucks at your mind)!
(To the right and the left =96 <sickening> thrill)!

Now back to the front, you can check if you want,
The gravity lens in Abell, 2218.
(It is there that a chasm puts weak knees in a spasm)
(The Grand Canyon . . . *to exponents of dreams*).

Ever been to the Canyon? Ever stood on the lip?
Do you remember that feeling of space?
Try as you will, you never could fill
That huge, and that glorious place!

Now take that grand feeling, so big you are reeling,
And move to the exponents place.
Then start adding nines until God would go blind
And that=92s what you=92re feeling with me out in space!

(The galaxies are twirling their singular swirling.)
(They dance a stellar tango outside thought.)
(They swoop and they crash, they are born, and then dashed)
(In a mind warping crunch where the firmaments wrought.)

Anything can happen out here, as it happens,
The laws of physics may, may not, apply.
We=92re a long way from home, and still not alone,
Our *watcher* came along for the ride. <*>

I=92ll leave you with _it_, must go back in a bit.
I left some shirts going in the dryer.=20
Treat _it_ with respect as it checks your intellect;

Though an _it_, you=92d say it functions a *little* higher.

Ask what it=92s writing, it=92s all done but the fighting.
Your paradigm=92s crushed, and misused.
You find that your ethos is useless as echoes --=20
Based as it was . . . on abuse.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

See =96 It brought you right back, no foolishness, no funny business.=20

For a snap shot of where we were, go to the Hubble page, and look-up :
HST-WFPC2 Gravitational Lens in Abell 2218 (PF95-14 ~ ST Scl OPO ~ April
5, 1995 ~ West Couch <UNSW>, NASA.=20

It=92s only black and white, but it=92s as real as a hot kiss at the end of
a very wet fist!

--=20

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from
afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, while burning at the
fundamentalist's stake, and winking at the watcher.

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What Marcel really thinks

From: **BOB SHELL** <76750.2717@CompuServe.COM>
Date: 31 Mar 97 08:05:52 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:00:54 -0500
Subject: What Marcel really thinks

Since we have been discussing what the government does and does not know, and the Mogul balloon hypothesis, I thought it might be useful to go to the one source that no one has tried to discredit, Jesse Marcel, Jr. I do not believe that anyone doubts that he saw and handled some of the actual Roswell debris.

Recently a statement was privately circulated which seemed to suggest that Marcel was favoring the Mogul balloon explanation:

I personally do not believe that the US Air Force is making a conscience effort to 'cover up' the details at what happened at Roswell so far as the facts are known to them. I do not believe that Capt. McAndrew is involved with a cover up or even Col. Weaver. The Air Force Records are very persuasive in concluding that the debris recovered at Roswell was indeed the remnants of a Mogel device. I have a problem in some of the details however. The remnants of a Mogel device do indeed come close to looking like the material I had examined years ago--BUT-- there are essential differences that have not been explained adequately and maybe all it takes is a little closer comparison with what I saw and what the Mogel device actually looked like. I am told that the flower figures were imprinted on Scotch Tape which was used to affix paper backed foil to bulsa wood beams and that Mr. Moore of the MOgel project drew diagrams of just that. The debris I saw and I am absolutely sure of this because of the excitement generated by my dad did not really look like the Mogul debris. What I saw was NOT paper backed metal foil. The foil was metal on both sides. I fully admit that I did not 'bend staple or spindle' this said foil. I did not witness the so called 'metal with a memory' characteristic that some other people said they saw. The beams I examined were NOT bulsa wood but were metal which had the same color etc as did the foil. The symbols did not look like flower petals to me but had more geometry attached to the configuration. They were certainly not on Scotch Tape but could be found only on the inner surface of the beam. The largest vertical dimension would have been no more than 3/8 inch in length. This is very much smaller than the tape would have been. In fact if one did not hold the beam up so that light would have reflected on it I doubt if it would have been noted. The colors when held up to reflect the light source which was an incandescent bulb were rather striking in the metallic violet hue reflection. The black or brownish plastic (Bakelite) could have been anything.

I would like to see actual remnants of a Mogel device to compare with what was on our kitchen floor that night. If it was a Mogel balloon device, so be it that is what I saw--I would again like to see if possible just what a Mogel radar target etc. would have looked like. If it fits the description, so be it.

So far there are just too many discrepancies for me to come out squarely on the Mogel device and AirForce side

for me to say Damn, that is it. Problem solved!!!

Sincerely, Jess

When I received a copy of this I thought it best to go to the source, so I contacted Dr. Marcel directly to ask if it was true that he was now favoring the balloon hypothesis and had accepted the "Air Force line", and particularly the veracity of Capt. McAndrew, as was being suggested.

Here is his reply in full:

Dear Bob;

I don't want to convey the impression that My stance has changed about the Roswell debris.

I have felt and certainly still feel that the debris recovered in Roswell was a portion of an extraterrestrial probe. My thoughts about the Air Force involvement may stem from the fact that I am a trusting individual and am trying to 'make excuses' for the Air Force and in particular Capt. McAndrew. I want to believe that these guys are really not in the loop to know what actually happened and they are going on a belief system that they will move heaven and earth (including distortion of fact) to foster that belief system. As far as Capt McAndrew goes, he will do whatever to promote the Mogel balloon recovery theory and I want to believe that this is because he is not knowledgeable about the true story, but maybe I am giving him too much. He also made the statement to me that if I divulged certain aspects of our conversation he would deny making such statement.

I guess the bottom line is that I would like to trust people but that illustrates how unworldly I am. The truth of this matter will have to come out and hopefully it will be in my lifetime.

Please touch bases with me at any time.

Sincerely Jess Marcel.

I hope this clarifies his position.

Bob

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Re: Tales from the dark side of 'flying saucer'

From: EdKomarek@aol.com
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:13:55 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:40:00 -0500
Subject: Re: Tales from the dark side of 'flying saucer'

>Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 11:44:02 +0100
>To: UFO UpDates <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Joe McNally <fortean3@easynet.co.uk>
>Subject: FWD: Tales from the dark side of flying saucer research

[snip]

>"You see enough of this, and you get more skeptical," grumbles
>veteran investigator James Moseley of Key West, Fla., whose
>long-lived, gossipy newsletter 'Saucer Smear' has made him the
>master chronicler of UFOlogy.

>After more than three decades in the field, "I don't believe any
>of the (UFO) landings. I don't believe in Roswell," Moseley said.
>"Certainly people are seeing things in the sky that we can't
>explain, but I don't think we have any proof" they are aliens.

[snip]

Jim Moseley is a good friend of mine. He is a complex individual and very intelligent. However he gave up on trying to find the truth long ago and enjoys himself in the UFO social scene. Pricking both debunkers and ufologists alike. Very good at pointing out that we are all human. The one's that he likes the most to prick are those on both sides of issue that think too much of themselves and too little of others. If you don't have a sence of humor you won't get along with Jim and he will get you every time.

I appreciate him very much and what he has done for ufology. Of course I try my best to get the drop on him first and tie the joke on him before he gets me. We have a lot of fun. If you have been in this field long enough, you know you can't be serious, serious and survive so much absurdity.

Ed Komarek

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Billy Meier - Another 'Guru's' Finale

From: koch@wad.berlin.fido.de <Joachim Koch>
Date: 30 Mar 97 19:55:00 CET
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:51:08 -0500
Subject: Billy Meier - Another 'Guru's' Finale

Hello!

It seems that we can drain another quagmire to prevent future desasters in case "some Pleiadians" command to "leave the containers".

We can achieve this by exposing the gurus of this world by bringing bright light into these dark corners of our reality and spreading the information about these beings all over the planet - and beyond.

As does Luc Buergin in the latest issue of the German UFO-KURIER (NO. 30) with his article:

"Kalliope Meier bricht ihr Schweigen" (Transl.: "Kalliope Meier breaks her silence")

Almost a year ago, Swiss author and UFO researcher Luec Buegin reported his doubts about the case of Billy Meier. He caused a real flood of controversy. I have read what was published about Meier's reaction - again nothing other than the well-known unpleasant verbal injuries.

This is the why his former wife (about to be divorced) now has decided to break her silence after twenty years of being together with Billy Meier and of helping to lie to countless people. In an exclusive interview with Luc Buegin, for the first time ever she admitted that the alledged contact experiences of Billy Meier

are entirely fictitious.

In the seventies she had seen negatives she prevented from being burnt where she easily could see (UFO)models. In the interview she explains that the lid of a plastic vat was used as an "UFO". In the UFO-KURIER there is a photograph of such a lid on page 15.

Mrs. Meier reported that, for example, in 1995 the Swiss newspaper 'Neue Zuericher Zeitung' report about Billy Meier and presented a photograph with Billy Meier in front of a plant which was put in such a lid.

Some of Meier's "mothership's" were the outdoor lamps at their house. Mrs. Meier reports of a woman, Mrs. G., who arrived one day at he Meier's home. Her hair style looked like the one of the female "Extraterrestrial" who was later presented on a photograph. That day, all the others were told to go away for some time. For the golden coloured suit of Mrs. G. Billy Meier used a foil which one can buy in every Swiss warehouse.

During the last months Mrs. Meier was severely attacked by her husband in his articles and was , of course, named a liar etc..

This will happen to Luec Buegin (again) and we exspect threatening letters to the UFO-KURIER and to others. There will surely be some statements in the newsgroups the next time.

There is a link to the UFO-KURIER in our web page where you can ask for further information.
The URL is:

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/Homepages/JKoch1>

Once you are on the homepage please click: "Wichtige Links". Then please click on: "Der UFO-KURIER".

There you can look for latest news or leave your email request for issue number eight.

Hope, you know a bit of German ... ;-)

Kindest regards

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The Cult Of The Two (1)

From: + UFO-ER + <yeloro@swbell.net>
Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 02:35:23 -0600 (CST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:00:42 -0500
Subject: The Cult Of The Two (1)

The Cult Of The Two

Part I

I first heard about the Heaven's Gate cult in January, 1994, only back then they were calling themselves "The Total Overcomers" or "The Overcomers". It was during a board meeting for the UFO organization I chaired that one member presented a flyer she had gotten from a friend about a group of people who were giving presentations about a "level above humanness" and UFOs. The board member also said she had seen them interviewed on the ten o'clock news by a local TV station.

No one on the board of directors had ever heard of such a group so we began to investigate. I contacted all the facilities where they had given their presentations in Dallas and got descriptions of the group and their claims. I left a message on the voice mail station they had set up and they soon returned my call. Two women spoke with me, one on each extension. As I was to later discover, they always spoke in pairs or twos. Whether this reflected some system of organization or in reverence to the title the leaders once used, "The Two", I do not know. Eventually I arranged for them to come to the town where I lived and talk about what their group.

I never told them I represented a UFO organization because I wanted them to speak just as if we were any audience they may be trying to reach with their message. Neither did the other two board members who came to the meeting acknowledge their involvement in the study of UFOs and related phenomena and we all pretended to be complete strangers.

Right on time, four of "The Total Overcomers", 3 females and one male, arrived at the clubhouse reserved for the meeting. I had brought some cokes, vegetables, chips and dips for refreshments after the meeting. The thin, lank "Overcomers" began eating the snacks as if they had not eaten in days! They were all above average in height, wore the same, very short hair styles, tennis shoes, the women wore no make-up, no jewelry and all dressed in baggy, shirts and pants. They took it upon themselves to arrange the seating in the room so that they sat in four chairs at the front of the room facing the audience.

Due to the impromptu nature of scheduling the meeting in just two days, only a few people showed up. Counting myself and the two other board members, there were a total of about ten to eleven people in attendance. I asked the four Overcomers if I could video tape the meeting and they agreed. One of the board members also audio taped the presentation for back up.

They told us they had been in the "classroom" for eighteen years and their "Elders" had decided they were ready to go out into the world and find the others who had been "implanted" with a certain "deposit of recognition" regarding that Kingdom Level's existence. They said they had been "separate from the world" - practicing "non-sexual, non-mammalian behavior" for the past 18 years. According to their handouts, "If you don't want *out* of the human kingdom, you don't want *into* the Kingdom Level Above Human."

They spoke for a long time about how religions have "unknowingly" become victims of slavery to Luciferian forces or "space races" as they called them and who represent themselves as "gods" but are nothing more than technically advanced humans "clinging to human behavior" from previous civilizations. They said these beings use the "discarnate" (spirit) world to keep humans preoccupied with their addictions and travel in "primitive UFOs". ("The Next Level-the *true Kingdom of God* has the only truly advanced space-time

travel vehicles, or spacecrafts," according to their flyer.)

The four Overcomers described the "Level Above Human" as a PHYSICAL Kingdom Level above the human kingdom "with souls, minds and *bodies* - not just spirit". They claimed that beings from the "Level Above Human" would come down in their ships and take "crews" who had been taught to transcend their humanness and give them "new" bodies which would be better suited for survival in the "Kingdom Level Above Human". They described human physical bodies as only *containers* (like "suits of clothes") for souls which are our "true identities".

Two of the Overcomers, the man and one woman seemed to do most of the talking but said none of them were "leaders" of the group. They spoke of how the "24 Elders" had been teaching them to overcome their humanness. They said sometimes they would get up in the morning and their classrooms would be totally rearranged. The Elders, they explained, said this "program" was to keep them from becoming fixed on anything remaining the same and to teach them to accept the unexpected. They spoke of the "Elders" with great fondness and affection.

During the entire 2 hour 16 minute meeting, all four Overcomers sat very straight in their chairs, hands folded in their laps and their feet either crossed or flat on the floor. If one crossed his/her feet, the others eventually mimicked this stance. Usually they all sat with very proper posture, hands folded in their laps and both feet flat on the floor.

Near the end of the meeting they accepted questions from the audience. Those in attendance were very open and expressed genuine interest in the philosophies described by the four speakers. At one point, the male Overcomer said most people of the world had been programmed or "brainwashed" to believe Luciferian lies. I asked him how he knew his "Elders" had not brainwashed THEM into believing in the "Level Above Human" as mind control is a very subtle process. For the first time, he reacted with intense emotion and yelled, "HOW DARE YOU!!" A very visible "ripple" could be seen flowing through all four speakers and they all looked very pointedly at the male. He seemed to blush for a second then sat back in his chair while the female speaker to his left calmly resumed the conversation with me. He had reacted as a "human" and they all seemed to disapprove of this.

They said that only adults could come with them and if anyone wished to join them, they had to leave with them right then. I asked them their names and they each told me names different from the ones they had told me on the phone. I asked them why they kept changing their names and they said because there were family members trying to locate members who had joined them and these people did not want to be found. When asked if they had a mailing address, they would only give a P.O. Box in Richardson, Texas. They said the telephone number used on their fliers was a temporary voice mail and would soon be disconnected.

We thanked them for their time and they climbed into a late model economy car and left. The next day I called and spoke with them further. Two days later, when I called, the phone was disconnected. I wrote a review of the investigation and posted it on a UFO bulletin board on Prodigy. A couple of days later, the man and one woman from the group who gave the talk called and expressed anger about my post on Prodigy. I asked them how they had read my post and they said they "monitor" all UFO bulletin boards. I told them I had a right to my opinions and they said, "We'll be WATCHING you!" I asked them if they were threatening me and they repeated that they would be "WATCHING" me. I said that was fine with me as I would be "WATCHING" them too!

During the investigation of this cult, I was in daily contact with Dr. Karla Turner, a researcher in Arkansas (she passed away in January, 1996) and Barbara Bartholic, a researcher in Oklahoma. As I described the group and some of their philosophies to Barbara, she said it sounded a lot like an old UFO group led by a man and woman from the seventies who called themselves "Bo and Peep", or "Him and Her" or "The Two".

Barbara said they had once invited her to witness the "landing" of the UFOs who they believed were coming to pick them up and take them to the stars. She and a camera crewman from a local TV station arrived to film the event. The night was very stormy and the rain was coming down in torrents. Barbara said many "strange phenomena" occurred but no UFOs or ships ever landed and the group moved on. Before they left, she did manage to interview several members including Applewhite. That tape still exists.

Acting on Barbara's tip, I began researching everything I could find on "Bo and Peep". Dr. Turner also communicated with various researchers and investigators around the country and they began sending me all kinds of old newspaper clippings and information about the cult until I had a file almost an inch thick!

Dr. Turner tried everything she could to locate the group and attend their next lecture. When they were scheduled to appear at a New Age church in Arkansas, she went to the church, several miles from her town, but the Overcomers (who were then calling themselves "The Level Above") had cancelled and did not show up. Dr. Turner was beside herself with frustration. Then at the Ozark UFO Conference in Eureka Springs in April of 1994, she discovered the group had just appeared next door at the "Lone Star Bar" (a make-shift bar for conference attendees and researchers) that Saturday night and she had just missed them once again. She was hopping mad because she seemed to come so close but not close enough. But the next day they showed up at the conference and she finally got her chance to interview the group.

To Be Continued.....(Much more to the story.)

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Hell's Gate

From: **Pat Parrinello** <pparri@republic.net>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 14:28:27 -0500
Subject: Hell's Gate

RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif. (Reuter) - The bodies of 39 men and women, cloaked in purple shrouds, were found in a million-dollar California mansion in what police Thursday said appeared to be a mass suicide.

Cmdr. Alan Fulmer of the San Diego County Sheriff's Department told an early-morning news conference the cause of death was directly attributable to the cultists use of Microsoft Corporation's popular web-browsing software Internet Explorer.

The religious group designed computer web pages that were "best viewed with Internet Explorer 3.0"

Fulmer said that "when they discovered that Internet Explorer was not going to fully support Java, they had no choice but to kill themselves." He continued "only the seriously disturbed or religiously fanatic would design web sites for Internet Explorer". An unidentified officer added "they should have been using Netscape like all sane people do."

Police said there was no sign the deaths were related to Saturday's incident in Quebec when five members of a doomsday cult called the Solar Temple died in a blazing house in an apparent ritual suicide pact.

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Re: Credibility

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <updates@globalserve.net>
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 14:21:46 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 14:21:46 -0500
Subject: Re: Credibility

>Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:08:30 -0600
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: joel henry <jhenry@wavefront.com>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Credibility

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>this purpose (I know you already are kept busy with this group).
>It might make a good forum for the leaders to communicate without
>mixing in unwanted issues.

>Joel Henry

Joel,

I would be most happy to set up such a side-list.

Perhaps you could write-up the raison d'etre for
such a List, mail it to me with the E-Mail addresses
of people you would like to see involved, and I'll
add addresses that I have and do a 'mailing' - as
the first message on the new List.

Local leaders who would like to become involved
should send me their addresses.

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From: joel henry <jhenry@wavefront.com>
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 12:08:30 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 14:14:12 -0500
Subject: Re: Credibility

>Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 07:11:59 -0500 (EST)
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <updates@globalserve.net>
>From: Steve Neeley <stneeley@mail.bright.net>
>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Credibility of MUFON

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>>I have been saying this for years: THE SERIOUS PORTION OF THE UFO
>>COMMUNITY NEEDS A SPOKESMAN! I assumed that MUFON would have one eons
>>ago, then later assumed the Coalition would have one. The UFO community
>>misses the boat every time an event occurs, good or bad. Someone, who
>>knows the subject well, should have made a statement regarding this
>>event. If this was done, I never saw any mention of it on the news, nor
>>heard anything about it on the internet. We need a person with the
>>caliber and charisma of a Dr. James McDonald, someone who knows the
>>subject and does not come off as a "believer" or fanatic. This is one of
>>the prime reasons why I do not belong to MUFON any longer. If NICAP
>>still existed, I would be a member TODAY.

>>Francis Ridge
>>Director, UFO Filter Center

I agree with you, a spokesman would be very helpful. Unfortunately, there would have to be one for every group, perhaps even every state (MUFON group) because nobody can seem to get together and agree on anything. I am a member of MUFON (Minnesota) not because of MUFON National, but because of Minnesota MUFON. We do what we can IN SPITE of problems elsewhere in the MUFON/UFOlogy community. I know other groups do as well. There needs to be a more open door policy on the sharing of info. I publish all reports and investigations on the Minnesota MUFON UFO web page as I get them. The only case I would not is if the witnesses do not wish me to. That has not yet occurred. I think the MUFON Symposium in July in Michigan should be utilized to get all the directors together and hammer out agreements to get a more unified and effective situation established. Those who agree with me and are in a position to do so should plan now to help make it happen. Walt Andrus is only one man. We cannot expect him to make all the decisions. I believe a more democratic approach is required here. We should probably start talking about it now so when the symposium comes we will be prepared. And informed.

>The notion that MUFON speaks for the UFO community is being debated.

Obviously it does not. This is very clear to me.

>For the record, MUFON are seen to be debunkers by many actual sighters
>or experiencers, including myself.

I hope you are not lumping Minnesota MUFON in that generalisation. We try to be as open minded as possible, but feel the need for a certain amount of healthy skepticism to keep us from being "hoaxed".

>I turned to them originally for help with the repeated sightings of
>LITS and triangles in NW OHIO in 1994-95.

>They were virtually no help at all. After receiving and signing
>for 3 of my LITS photographs Mr. Walt Andrus now refuses to return
>them or even acknowledge their whereabouts.

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state orgs. I suggest in the future, some kind of contract be submitted and signed for evidence items so the people who get them can be held accountable for their return. Policies are only empty promises.

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Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

From: "Steven W. Kaeser" <steve@konsulting.com>
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 15:10:46 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 15:42:14 -0500
Subject: Re: The San Diego Suicides and 'UFO Cults'

>From: "Julianne Presson" <earthwrk@cyberport.com>
>Date: Sun, 30 Mar 1997 12:10:05 -0700

>The mailing list/echo where this garbage is being posted has now
>decided they need to put a disclaimer in their rules to protect
>themselves. Like it will stand up in court, I think not.

>As for the suicides, it is all too easy to forget these folks had
>families even if they had not had contact with them for many
>years. The pain and grief the families will go through is not a
>passing thing. Some have complained about the goulsh new
>coverage when the families had not even been notified.

The fact that these individuals had family and friends is a fact that shouldn't be ignored, but I'm not sure the members of "Heaven's Gate" were very concerned about them. As far as the broadcast media is concerned, suicides are generally not considered newsworthy, unless its a famous person or the situation is unique. This, like the infamous Jonestown incident, qualify as "unique". I am concerned about the coverage being given this story because of the inferences being drawn, but not necessarily because of the coverage itself. There seems to be a need to connect this group to the Internet, since that makes it a better story, but there is no indication any of their members were recruited through the "net". Indeed, it appears that most of them were members of this group long before the Internet became a major communication media. But a major thrust of many reports is the connection between the "Internet" and "Cults", and none have done a very good job of defining what a "cult" is. All in all, (IMHO) the cutback that the broadcast media went through in the 1980s is beginning to show itself in the intelligence level of the questions being asked, and the thrust of the stories being told. Some news organizations are just beginning to correct some of the errors they had made since the beginning of this event.

>Let us all pray that no one else will be swayed by the
>propaganda on a few mailing lists will influence anyone to do
>something so drastic. Some of the things that are being posted
>about this suicide (like the one's saying it is all a cover-up
>to detract from the so-called ships that 'might' be hiding
>behind the comet) are really nuts. Like it was the secret UFO
>cover-up people who killed them or they were implanted and
>programmed by the government to kill themselves. One person in a
>mailing list has even posted a message stating if anything
>happens to them it will be because of mind control or an
>implant. Anyone who believes that needs to find a round room and
>look for the corners.

P.T. Barnum has been quoted as saying that "one is born every minute", and I think he was being too conservative. I joined "UFO Update" because I grew tired of wading through the nonsense that some of the other "lists" seem to foster.

>What in Gods name is happening to people who are supposed to be
>intelligent people???

Being intelligent does not necessarily mean that you have "common sense", which tends to be more of a problem (IMHO).

Steve

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'AM Live' ABC Channel 6 Philadelphia

From: jvif@spacelab.net (John Velez)
Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 16:56:24 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 31 Mar 1997 17:14:28 -0500
Subject: 'AM Live' ABC Channel 6 Philadelphia

Hi Errol, hi all,

On Tuesday, April 1st, at 10AM 'AM Live', Philadelphia's channel 6 (ABC Network) will host a one hour discussion on the suicide tragedy in San Diego and how it has affected others in the UFO community.

Guests will be Budd Hopkins, Don & Vicky Ecker, and John Velez. The program can also be seen in the adjacent states (to New Jersey) of Delaware and (parts of) Pennsylvania.

Hope you can catch it. And for those who can't, if you have friends or acquaintances in the area, have them tape it for you!

See you guys out there,

John Velez

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