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Re: Roswell - Tourist Trap? - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 14:33:13 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 09:43:26 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell - Tourist Trap? - Randle

>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Roswell - Tourist Trap? [was: 2002: Year Of The Mothman?]
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 08:30:13 -0400

>>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 14:45:36 -0600
>>Subject: Re: 2002: Year Of The Mothman?
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>>Subject: Re: 2002: Year Of The Mothman?
>>>Date: Sat, 29 Dec 2001 20:17:00 -0400

>><snip>

>>>I must object to calling Roswell a tourist trap. Prices for >>>everything are very reasonable. Entry in to the museum is free.

>>>Fine steaks at reasonable prices at the Cattle Baron, there is a >>>Walmart and lots of friendly people.

>>There are tourist traps and Tourist Traps. Roswell may not have
>>the high prices characteristic of a bona fide Tourist Trap, but
>>it has many of the trappings of a lower case tourist trap,
>>nonetheless. It's a classic case of a small town with a stagnant
>>economy taking advantage of its newfound claim to fame. Not that
>>there's anything wrong with that. If I were on the Roswell
>>Chamber of Commerce board, I'd probably do the same thing.

>Dennis, I am pleased that Roswell has been demoted to a tourist >trap instead of a Tourist Trap!! Personally I find Houston, Las >Vegas and Phoenix to be much more uncomfortable in the summer >than Roswell... perhaps because of its altitude.

Stan, Dennis, List, all -

I think here I would have to vote for Las Vegas. It really is no more uncomfortable in the summer than Roswell, you can get all sorts of wonderful food for very little money (let's hear it for 50 cent shrimp cocktails) and you can gamble there. Gamble on the Apache reservation up around Riodoso just isn't the same.

>Perhaps you didn't notice the letter on the museum wall about >the fact that the Corn Ranch land was not accessible by vehicle >in 1947 from a member of the McKnight Family who then owned what >is now called the Corn Ranch?

Pretty funny, this. An affidavit signed by a man who wasn't there in 1947 and who never lived there. Signed by a man who said that he never heard any family stories about these activities and concluded, therefore, they had never happened.

Pretty funny that an Army that could cross Europe, often without the benefit of roads, that fought in the jungles of the South Pacific and took the Philippines back from the Japanese, couldn't cross a dry arroyo in 1947. I thought those jeeps could Re: Roswell - Tourist Trap? - Randle

navigate just about everything. I thought the six by six trucks that had drive to all axles could navigate just about everything. While it might be true that the ford we all used in the 1990s wasn't there in 1947, there are areas of the arroyo that could be defeated by four and six-wheel drive vehicles.

Also pretty funny that the museum, which tried to get Corn to participate in some kind of exploitation of the site... Corn gets to pay for the improvements, pay for the insurance, is responsible for all the financial arrangements and then can give half or three-quarters of the money to the museum... suddenly is no longer interested in the Corn site. When he refused, they found a new site, based on what Jim Ragsdale told Max Littell.

Not to mention the Ragsdale story that originally took place on the Corn ranch, as defined by both maps and photographs, was suddenly out west of Roswell near Boy Scout Mountain. Pretty funny that those who were actually in that area in 1947 said that nothing crashed near them, but the museum went right along selling the Ragsdale tale.

Pretty funny that Ragsdale tells of a jewel encrusted throne inside the saucer that he originally said he never approached. He claimed that he pulled the gold helmets from the bodies of the crew and then buried those helmets out there. I can think of few metals that would be as useless as gold as a helmet. The last thing you'd want are helmets made of a soft metal that was very heavy.

The point here, however, is that a letter signed by a man who didn't live on the ranch in 1947, hanging in a museum that had tried to gain a financial benefit to a ranch it didn't own, isn't worth much in the final analysis. Especially when it is remembered that the same museum is promoting a story, as told by Ragsdale, that is contradicted by his earlier statements, has virtually no corroborative evidence, and fits none of the few facts that anyone has been able to establish.

KRandle

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Kaeser

From: Steven Kaeser <<u>steve@konsulting.com></u>
Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 15:31:22 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 09:47:18 -0500
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Kaeser

>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 10:48:37 -0600

>>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg</u>@houston.rr.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 08:17:40 -0600

>>Date: 30 Dec 2001 13:24:06 -0800
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>>From: sqquishy@altavista.com
>>>Subject: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>>>As a part of those studies for the President, Marcia Smith
>>>brought on board Daniel Sheehan... Sheehan reported that
>>>Ms. Smith told him that President elect Carter had
>>>requested all the UFO files, from then Director of Central
>>>Intelligence George Bush, and was told that he as
>>>President would have no need-to-know for this particular subject.

>>Smith appears not to remember it this way.

>This story has been told in many different venues for months >now... why wouldn't this suspicious denial have surfaced >before? I smell one of your rats Mr. Oberg.

Actually, I think that Sheehan's story has remained very constant, but he seems to have stopped promoting it of late. During the summer he was queried about the specifics of this episode and IMO he has de-emphasized much of what had been touted previously during the Greer event in DC.

>>>Sheehan has also reported on many occasions that Marcia
>>>Smith got him access to the classified portions of the
>>>USAF Project Blue Book files, which he was able to view in
>>a basement vault in the Madison Building in Washington.
>>>While viewing these files, Sheehan reported that he viewed
>>>a number of photos of a crashed flying saucer in a
>>>snowbank, being investigated by USAF members.

>>Oh, the old 'underground vault' and 'crashed saucer photos'
>>again - how many people have we heard jumping on this
>>look-how-important-I-am story?

>Mr. Sheehan doesn't need underground vaults and crashed >saucer photos to look important. He has Watergate, Wounded >Knee, Iran-Contra, Karen Silkwood, and Harvard's Dr. Mack to >do all that. And it remains that Jimmy Carter, perhaps the >best example of an American President in (at least) the 20th >and 21st centuries, was told by the father of Forest Gump JR >that he did not have a "need to know" regarding a >subsequently _obvious_ collection of UFO evidence, and >reported a UFO himself at one time as the Governor of a >State. Carter _would_ have a reason to get to the bottom of >the aggregate conundrum, wouldn't he, and he might employ >such a mechanism as has been reported. Your trademark >ridicule is once again seen for what it is, a distraction >from the issues at hand with derisive smoke and mirrors and >the usual baseless character assassination. BUSTED!

Sheehan's involvement in the cases you've mentioned is not at issue. His anecdotal commentary that doesn't appear to fit the facts is certainly open to discussion. I would like to pursue the claim that he went to the Madison building to view UFO information (in a guarded room), which doesn't make a lot of sense. As far as the building itself is concerned, the cornerstone was laid in 1974 and Pres. Ronald Reagan participated in dedication ceremonies on November 20, 1981. I don't seem to recall if Sheehan narrowed down the time frame as to this visit to the Madison, but I think Carter performed the bulk of his inquiry into the subject during his first term, rather than the second. The Madison was only two years into construction when Carter's second term began.

During Sheehan's visit to DC during the 'Disclosure Project Briefing' I had the opportunity of meeting him at an area restaurant. He is a very interesting person and I would be most interested in hearing more details. Unfortunately, his visit to the Madison wasn't even mentioned that evening, in spite of his discussion of his Carter/UFO involvement.

Steve

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Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Hall

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 20:46:55 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 09:54:40 -0500
Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Hall

>From: Ktperehwon@aol.com
>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 16:12:07 EST
>Subject: The Measure Of Dick Hall
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>Dear Fellow List Fiends -

>Second, I had hoped to have ended this thread with my last >posting, but Dick found it necessary once again to overstep the >bounds of good manners and good sense with the following >posting:

Karl,

When people threaten me with a lawsuit, after saying all sorts of insulting things about me all over the place (as in Moseley's filthy rag which you equate with sensible, rational UFO research), I think this is something the List should know about. "Manners" be damned.

>>- Dick

>So I'm left with no choice but to respond. Rest assured that >this is my final word (here) on this matter. Note that, as Errol >has reminded me, legal and ethical considerations prevent me >from quoting directly from private communications I've received >from Dick and Don Berliner, so I am constrained to paraphrase. I >assure List members that my paraphrasing accurately represents >both the tone and substance of these communications. If Dick and >Don think otherwise, they need only post their unexpurgated >messages to me on UpDates. Now then...

>On 28 Dec, I sent this off-list message to Dick:

>"MR. HALL - Quoting from your 27dec01 post to UFO UpDates, >which I've retained for future reference if necessary:

>"'Among the more honorable Roswell researchers has been Kevin
>Randle [I most definitely agree - KTP], who (like all of us) was
>surprised to learn that his colleague Don Schmitt was somewhat
>ethically deprived (as is Pflock when it comes to purloined
>tapes).'

>"Look who's calling whom ethically deprived! Don't push it, >buster, or you'll find yourself on the short end of a very >unpleasant and expensive legal action. - Most sincerely, KARL >PFLOCK"

>To this Dick replied (same date) with a childish

[read 'well->deserved']

>retort of the
>sort most of us left off of in junior high school, but which
>those of us who know the private, real Dick well have come to
>expect from him at the slightest provocation.

You know almost nothing about me privately. But when I am

struck, I do strike back as you are learning.

>To which I oh-so-maturely responded (same date): "How very >mature of you..."

>Obviously, what's at issue is Dick's subtle attempt to raise >questions in list members' minds about my integrity: "as is >Pflock when it comes to purloined tapes." Here's what's behind >this sleazy and baseless canard:

[See my comments below]

>(1) When I was conducting my Roswell research under a grant from >the Fund for UFO Research, Fred Whiting, then an officer and >board member of the Fund, loaned me the Fund's collection of >uncut videotape interviews with Roswell witnesses and >"witnesses" so that I would have the benefit of full knowledge >of what these people had to say and how they said it.

>(2) On February 29, 1996, I returned ALL tapes to the Fund >through Dick Hall, then chairman of the Fund.

>(3) More than three years later, on June 15, 1999, in response >to a request from Tom Tulien and Jan Aldrich for a listing of >the materials in my UFO library and research files for inclusion >in the Proceedings of the Sign Historical Group UFO History >Workshop, I sent Tom and Jan a very hastily written e-mail >message summarizing my holdings. With reference to my Roswell >materials, I wrote: "...includes complete set of all uncut >videos of Roswell witnesses and 'witnesses' done by and for >FUFOR." I hit the Send button without reviewing what I'd >written. Had I taken a couple of moments to check my words, I >would have caught my error and rewitten thus: "includes research >notes taken while viewing...," etc. Haste makes waste (and >worse!).

>(4) On Sept. 11, 1999, I recieved a remarkably intemperate - no, >downright nasty and threatening - letter (dated Aug. 31) from >Don Berliner, Dick's successor as Fund chairman. Don advised >that he'd been told I had a complete set of the Fund Roswell >interview tapes and was planning to make copies available to >Sign Historical Group Workshop participants. He then ranted that >I had no right to the tapes and that Fred Whiting had no >authority to loan them to me and had done so without the >knowledge of his Fund colleagues. (Hmmm... I had a Fund grant to >investigate Roswell, but it was inappropriate to make available >to me important primary research materials possessed by the >Fund?)

>He went on to tell me that if I didn't immediately return all >copies of the tapes, the Fund would take legal action against >me. To underscore the Fund's resolve, he pointed out that such >action had been taken against Steven Greer for distributing >copies of a UFO Research Coalition publication.

>Don and I know each other fairly well and have even worked >together on some aspects of Roswell. Yet instead of approaching >me like a colleague, inquiring if the information he had was >accurate - it wasn't in any respect - and, if so, noting that it >appeared that I'd forgotten the tapes were Fund property and to >please return them, he assumed the worst and acted the bully.

>(5) On Sept. 11, '99, I replied to Berliner in part:

>"For the record: (1) Fred Whiting, in his capacity as an officer >and member of the board of the Fund, loaned the Fund Roswell >witness/'witness' tapes to me as research material for use >during my Fund-supported Roswell investigation. Clearly, this >was entirely proper and appropriate to the work I was doing on >behalf of the Fund. (2) On February 29, 1996..., I returned all >Fund tapes to the Fund via Dick Hall at the Fund post office box >address. (3) With the return of the Fund tapes, I no longer had >any Fund property of any sort in my possession and have not >since. I regret my haste in preparing information designed to >facilitate cooperation and information sharing among colleagues >led to this misunderstanding and trust this letter and its >enclosures, as well as my action today to straighten things out >with the SHG folks [e-mail correcting the reference to the >tapes; see corrected information on p. 197, Proceedings], will >bring this matter to a close. >"It is unfortunate you chose to be so confrontational and >threatening in your initial communication to me. School->yard-style bluster and threats of legal action are hardly the >way to begin addressing such an issue with a colleague or, for >that matter, anyone else. However, since you chose such a >course, I feel it is incumbent upon me to put you on notice that >I will not hesitate to take legal action against you personally >and, if appropriate, the Fund and its officers and board should >it come to my attention that you or anyone associated with the >Fund have made any utterances of any kind in any context calling >into question my honor, integrity, and professionalism with >respect to the Fund tapes and my use of them. I regret the >necessity for the foregoing statement, but I've suffered enough >blackguarding at the hands of ufological paranoids, fools, and >opportunists [believer & debunker alike], and I'm not about to >take any such from you without exacting a heavy price."

>This is where the matter stood until Dick chose to insinuate it >into his ad hominem attack on me here on UpDates, thus >precipitating my "have a care" message to him.

Spoken by the master of ad hominem!

>There is no doubt that Dick Hall is fully aware of all of the >foregoing. He knows damn' well there was nothing underhanded or >in the least out of line involved. His and Don's problem is that >I, a Fund grantee, had arrived at the "wrong" conclusions about >Roswell.

>I leave it to List members to decide for themselves how Dick and >I measure up ethically.

This self-serving statement is false and distorted in so many particulars that I intend early in the New Year to respond in detail. However, I don't want to shoot from the lip so I will first review the files of documents and correspondence, which I don't have time for right now.

Within the next few weeks I will post a notice to the List that my rebuttal is available, and will send an e-mail copy to anyone who is interested off-list. We can air this bit of dirty laundry that way in semi-private.

The simple truth is that the set of videotaped interviews with Roswell witnesses were quite unethically 'purloined' by Whiting and Pflock behind the backs of members of the Fund for UFO Research Executive Committee, without either our knowledge or consent. We didn't even know about it until after Whiting had resigned from the Fund and we asked him to return the tapes to us. This was not done in the context of the Fund's support for Pflock's research nor in the time scale claimed by Mr. Pflock, as I hope to demonstrate.

More later. Let's get on with some constructive exchanges.

- Dick Hall

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Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 21:05:28 +0000
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 09:56:01 -0500
Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall

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>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 16:12:07 EST
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>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>I leave it to List members to decide for themselves how Dick and
>I measure up ethically.
For my part I accept that certain people can never "just get along" and
to me, this looks like a typical case of "bad blood".
Another thing to remember is:
If you plead lily white, no one will ever believe if you, plead to a
lesser crime, and you just might get away with it.
Just my tuppence worth.
--In an infinite universe, infinitely anything is possible.
 Sean Jones

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 15:14:59 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 09:57:46 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99</u>@hotmail.com>
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 17:33:01 +0000

Dick, List,

Pardon me; my razor-sharp mind isn't what it once was.

The individual I've been referring to as Kent Lorenzo is in fact Lorenzo Kent Kimball.

I'm not sure his original web site is still up, but you can find most of the info below:

http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/CaptKimball.htm

Sorry for any confusion.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Velez

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Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:00:11 -0500
Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Velez

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>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 16:12:07 EST
>Subject: The Measure Of Dick Hall
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>Dear Fellow List Fiends -

>First, an apology to all for having started this virtual >shouting match with an mildly intemperate taunt directed at Dick >Hall. I can only plead "all too human." The simple truth is >that, while I have great respect and admiration for Dick Hall's >contributions to ufology and, ironically, agree with him on far >more ufological issues than I disagree, I can't stand the man >personally. Obviously, he feels the same about me. It's >unfortunate personalities have to get in the way of collegial >discussion of important substantive issues. I'll do my best to >avoid contributing such unneeded and debilitating heat to this >list in the future (honest, Errol. I will!).

>Second, I had hoped to have ended this thread with my last >posting, but Dick found it necessary once again to overstep the >bounds of good manners and good sense with the following >posting:

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>>List,

>>Just to give you a little more idea about the man, as a result
>>of my December 27 post here, Karl Pflock has privately
>>threatened me with a lawsuit via e-mail. Birds of a feather
>>Pflock together: Karl, CSICOP, Klass, Moseley... skeptibunkers,
>>and the ethicallly challenged in general.

>>- Dick

>So I'm left with no choice but to respond. Rest assured that >this is my final word (here) on this matter. Note that, as Errol >has reminded me, legal and ethical considerations prevent me >from quoting directly from private communications I've received >from Dick and Don Berliner, so I am constrained to paraphrase. I >assure List members that my paraphrasing accurately represents >both the tone and substance of these communications. If Dick and >Don think otherwise, they need only post their unexpurgated >messages to me on UpDates. Now then...

<snip>

Hello Karl,

>I leave it to List members to decide for themselves how Dick and >I measure up ethically.

<LOL>

No contest Karl. You're not even in the same league as Dick

Hall. I don't know what yardstick you would have us use in order to compare you to Dick Hall in _any_ way, but it would have to be an awfully 1-o-n-g ruler to to be able to span the distance between you and him.

In terms of "measuring up" (by any standards) it's Dick Hall. Hands down. What you really want to know is this: ufologically speaking... his is longer than yours Karl! <LMAO>;)

Regards,

John Velez, Listerion looking for a long enough ruler.

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From: John Velez <<u>iohnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 17:32:04 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:03:42 -0500
Subject: Re: SDI Wrap-Up Of 2001 With Mr. M.J. Woods - Velez

>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 13:38:39 -0600 >Subject: Re: SDI Wrap-Up Of 2001 With Mr. M.J. Woods >From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5@houston.rr.com></u> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 02:01:13 -0500
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: SDI Wrap-Up Of 2001 With Mr. M.J. Woods

>>There is a black, smoking hole in the middle of _my_ hometown, >>(I was born and raised on the island of Manhattan) that doubles >>as the largest mass grave in the US. To use it as a 'tool' for >>debate, or as it was used by the Disclosure organization is, to >>me, beneath contempt and a desecration of the memory of those so >>recently deceased. Where has your sensitivity gone? Don't tell >>me you cannot see how insensitive it is to use that tragic event >>the way that Greer's group (and now you by lauding it) is.

>How do you know Greer is trying to 'use' the 9/11 disaster as a >'tool' for debate? And why do you put quotation marks around the >word 'tool' as if you are quoting Greer actually saying that was >his intent? Maybe he's just expressing an opinion (albeit a very >biased one, IMO).

Hi Lan,

Because it was "Greer's" disclosure Project that published a 'flyer' on this List (and I'm sure many others) stating that: If more people had supported the disclosure Project's agenda that the WTC tragedy could have been avoided.

I find that reference/usage of the incident (in which thousands of innocents lost their lives) in order to raise support for his (tape selling, three ring circus campaign) agenda to be disgusting and low.

But hey, maybe you're right and Greer has no idea what is being broadcast on the web in his name/Disclosure Project. I wouldn't be at all surprised if he doesn't know. If he hasn't taken the time to check out his own witnesses, why should we expect him to know what his underlings, are up to.

You must have been away from the List the last several months or you'd know exactly what I'm referring to. This isn't the first time this issue has come up. I may have been the one who raised it on the List the first time, but many others wrote in in agreement. Check the UFO UpDates Archive.

>Greer's perceived linkage of compartmentalized technology that >has not been proven to exist to the terrorist attack is, in my >opinion, extremely tenuous. But it still makes a heck of a lot >more sense than the supposed linkage between the star wars >defense against ICBMs and nuts armed with box cutters and >plastic explosives in their shoes.

I don't particularly care about what kind of off-the-wall conspiracy theories Greer and his bunch are espousing lately. I just objected (vehemently) to his usage of the WTC tragedy in

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that context. Let him or anybody else speculate all they want to. I just wanted to voice my opinion that I thought his choice of one of this countries most painful losses/tragedies was in piss-poor taste and an opportunistic act. He/his people, used the incident as a 'tool' in order to raise support. It was a low thing to do and just plain inexcusable.

Understand now?

Regards and very happy new year to all,

John Velez

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Re: 'Dustbunny' Hunt? - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u> Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 19:12:35 -0400 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:05:54 -0500 Subject: Re: 'Dustbunny' Hunt? - Ledger

>From: Ingrid Hanson <<u>froggy@rio.com></u>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: 'Dustbunny' Hunt?
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 09:44:31 -0800
>Does anyone have any information about what finally happened

>with this?

>Inquiring minds are inquiring yet again....

>Ingrid

I believe an invasion of Electroluxes fouled the experiment, however Johnny V. will know best about this.

Don

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Re: New Year Agenda - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u> Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 19:33:53 -0400 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:10:49 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Ledger

>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 11:28:04 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99@</u>hotmail.com>
>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 17:33:01 +0000

><Big ol' snip>

>Dick,

>I'll keep my remarks as brief and cheery-minded as possible.

>You've called for an open, objective investigation of Roswell. >(With which I concur.)

>I assume that means that each witness is to be analyzed and >weighed with the same set of scales.

>So when I use Kent Lorenzo as an example, it's not to suggest
>that one Roswell witness who claims nothing untoward happened
>there should trump two who claimed a spaceship with little
>bodies crashed. It's to ask where Lorenzo is in all the books,
>monologues, and videotaped interviews ufology has made over the
>last several years. Where are all the other eyewitnesses
>interviewed by Roswell investigators who had nothing
>extraordinary to say about it?

>Where, in other words, is the vaunted objectivity and balance?

>I realize that "Roswell Witness Says Absolutely Nothing >Happened!" doesn't make for much of a headline; but if that's >truly half of the story, I sure haven't seen it promoted that >way in most of the Roswell material I've read and looked at.

>How many other Roswell witnesses haven't been heard from because >they didn't have any tale to tell? Lorenzo was, I believe, the >second commanding medical officer at the hospital at the time. >Had bodies been brought in, he would almost undoubtedly have >been aware of them.

>As near as I can tell, however, Roswell investigators have yet >to beat a path to his door.

>Kent Jeffrey's long report may indeed have had its flaws. But >when he says he talked to a number of 509th veterans who said >nothing untoward took place, I have to take him at his word. Did >fellow ufologists ask him who his contacts were so they could >conduct follow up interviews? Or was he effectively hounded out >of the field?

>Ufology's track record on Roswell is pretty self-evident: you >can do almost anything and remain a member in good standing ->just don't criticize Roswell. Re: New Year Agenda - Ledger

The only problem I have with the above Dennis is that suppose this had been a mass murder during a bank holdup in Roswell. There were ten people in the bank and 3 holdup men. Six people were killed in the bank. The three robbers escaped into the street and were seen by 4 witnesses. Subsequently during a massive shootout down the road with the police - or more likely the sheriff and his deputies - the three robbers were killed. It's reported in the paper - carried on the radio news - mass murders and a big shootout.

Years later the case still fascinates writers and criminalogists due to the bizzare and intensive circumstances. Other than getting a little local color and reactions to this terrible crime from those who were not witnesses to the event - does it mean because they were not interviewed extensively by the writers and criminologists that there would not be a balanced analysis done of why it happened and what happened?

I'm not sure I see the value here. Taken to its logical extension would this then mean that the robbery and killing of the bank people and the crooks did not happen because most of the townspeople didn't see it happen?

Roswell is certainly interesting if for the singular reason that it seems to piss so many people off-both pro and con. I'm happy right here on the fence.

Regards and a Happy New Year everyone,

Don Ledger

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 18:27:16 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:12:58 -0500
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Lehmberg

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg@</u>houston.rr.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 13:32:27 -0600

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 10:48:37 -0600

>>So you've spun it. But unlike Fox's Bill O'Riley (at _least_ a
>>man unashamed of his apostrophe)

>You've lost me. What apostrophe am I accused of being ashamed >of?

It's a joke, Mr. Oberg. Polish your monocle and switch out your cigarette holder. The serious stuff was emulsified in the acid bath of your careful and completely non-referenced snippage. Not a great way to start the new year...

Lehmberg@snowhill.com
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Thank You So Much

From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com</u>> Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 19:29:57 EST Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:15:05 -0500 Subject: Thank You So Much

Heartfelt thanks to all of you who wrote on List and off. I am overwhelmed.

And most grateful.

Jim

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Re: New Year Agenda - Kimball

From: Paul Kimball <<u>Redstarfilm@aol.com></u> Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 19:45:32 EST Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:26:15 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Kimball

All:

I just finished producing and directing a documentary on the life and times of Stan Friedman for Space and Bravo, two television networks up here in Canada.

Among the many people we interviewed (and kudos here to Kevin Randle and Don Ledger for their insights, which form an invaluable part of the film) was Karl Pflock.

Having met and interviewed the man (at length), and read his book (as well as extensive research in general about the Roswell case), I feel obliged to state, given some of the recent posts about him, that I was impressed by his candor and willingness to be open in front of the camera, even when the questions were rather pointed.

He struck me as a conscientious researcher, with a genuinely open-minded point of view (which is not to say I agreed with him - I remain, to coin one of Stan's phrases, a "healthy agnostic" on Roswell), and a refreshing refreshing willingness to admit to his mistakes.

Most important, his recent book challenges us all to take a closer look at the Roswell case, and re-examine our own opinions. Whether you agree with Plock's conclusions or not, that is most definitely a good thing, and a positive contribution to the debate, especially for those of us who remain fascinated "lurkers".

To paraphrase Stan once again, everyone should avoid attacking the person, and focus instead on the data (rule #3 for debunkers, I think).

With respect,

Paul Kimball Redstar Films Limited

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Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <<u>Lehmberg</u>@snowhill.com> Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 19:22:01 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:28:20 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg >From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com</u>> >Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 14:12:12 EST >Subject: Re: New Year Agenda >To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net >>Date: Sat, 29 Dec 2001 16:44:51 -0600 >>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda >>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> >>>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99</u>@hotmail.com> >>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net >>>Subject: New Year Agenda >>>Date: Thu, 27 Dec 2001 23:37:54 +0000 <snip> >>In other words... do you and Roswell have _any_ honorable
>>critics? Or just pond scum? >What did pond scum ever do to you to deserve an insult like >that? >David Rudiak >Proud, card-carrying member of the Pond Scum Anti-Defamation >League Yeah - people can say what they like about pond scum, but it trumps a skeptibunky red tide. Lehmberg@snowhill.com ~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected! "I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: Is Menzel To Be Re-Published? - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 21:18:34 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:31:48 -0500
Subject: Re: Is Menzel To Be Re-Published? - Maccabee

>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 11:41:18 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: Is Menzel To Be Re-Published?

<snip>

>>Others might theorize that his 'agenda' (I dislike that word) >>was motivated by something related to national security, too >>many people watching the skies and reporting secret US missile >>tests or whatever as UFOs, while our adversaries lapped up >>whatever crumbs of info were thus made available.

>>Still others suspect darker motives.

>>Still, it seems inconceivable that a man of science could say
>>"talking to witnesses was a waste of time"... that from Jerry
>>Clark's UFO Encyclopedia, Vol. II L-Z pg.387, as quoted by
>>Gross.

>Hi Larry,

>Certainly as well Menzel's [shady ?] intelligence connections >have to be explored. As you say Menzel's 'high school physics' >approach to the UFO inigma back in those early years was a major >turn-off for me when reading his book. One would have expected >better of the man [shades of Condon]. I must confess the man >really puzzles me, though before Stan Friedman brought out >Menzel's connection to the intelligence community-I'd simply put >him down to just another scientist unwilling to give the >phenomenon a serious look.

>Imagine also my surprise to discover in Vallee's 'UFO Chronicles >of the Soviet Union: A Cosmic Samizdat' that at the absolute >height of the cold war in the early 60's that Menzel was being >published in Pravda as a serious debunker to the UFO question, >in support of the Soviet government's official anti-UFO line.

>How weird is that?

Not so weird when you realize that Menzel was well respected in the former Soviet Union. As I recall, he was in Russia on an eclipse expedition in the 1930's and probably established a lot of contacts.

For what it's worth, the fact that he was respected in the FSU meant that his debunking of saucers carried considerable weight there. In other words, if he were part of a cover up, he was the optimum guy to convince the Soviets _not_ to look seriously at the UFO phenomenon.

Best in the New Year

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New Year

From: Bruce Maccabee

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Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 21:47:25 -0500

Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:33:35 -0500

Subject: New Year

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy</u>@altavista.com> Date: 31 Dec 2001 19:21:39 -0800 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:38:45 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg@</u>houston.rr.com>
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 08:17:40 -0600
>To: <u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Oberg

>>Date: 30 Dec 2001 13:24:06 -0800
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: sqquishy@altavista.com
>>Subject: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>>As a part of those studies for the President, Marcia Smith
>>brought on board Daniel Sheehan... Sheehan reported that Ms.
>>Smith told him that President elect Carter had requested all the
>>UFO files, from then Director of Central Intelligence George
>>Bush, and was told that he as President would have no
>>need-to-know for this particular subject.

>Smith appears not to remember it this way.

Well, Jimmy. Here's your chance to rewrite history. You can correct my distorted version of history based on what Marcia confided to you. The 'Bush told Carter' story is a major tale in Ufology, and even people at the Carter library are aware of it. I will write them and tell them you are about to enlighten the world with the truth.

>>Sheehan has also reported on many occasions that Marcia Smith
>>got him access to the classified portions of the USAF Project
>>Blue Book files, which he was able to view in a basement vault
>>in the Madison Building in Washington. While viewing these
>>files, Sheehan reported that he viewed a number of photos of a
>>crashed flying saucer in a snowbank, being investigated by USAF
>>members.

>Oh, the old 'underground vault' and 'crashed saucer photos'
>again - how many people have we heard jumping on this
>look-how-important-I-am story?

This neither you, nor I, nor Marcia can say for sure, as none of us was there. The question you and Marcia can resolve is did Marcia obtain access to classified Blue Book files for Mr. Sheehan. If not what is her version of the story.

>>Marcia Smith knows exactly what the future of space is.
>>Unfortunately, it doesn't appear that she told the listeners of
>>NPR.

>Smith does not appear to remember it this way, that Sheehan is >telling it.

Which leads to your homework questions:

- 1) Did Marcia bring Sheehan on board to help do a report of UFOs and a report on ETI?
- 2) Did Marcia ask Sheehan to contact the Vatican library for their UFO files?
- 3) Did Marcia get access to classified Blue Book files for Mr.

Sheehan?

- 4) What is Marcia's version of the story about what George Bush Sr. replied when asked about UFOs by Jimmy Carter?
- 5) How many times did you talk to Marcia about this, and when were these conversations?
- 6) Most importantly, for those who may read this at the Carter library where are the files for all these events??

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>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 14:12:12 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
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<snip>

>Poor Kent Lorenzo. Dennis regularly drags him out as his >personal poster boy for Roswell witnesses who supposedly >disprove anything happened. But all the man basically had to say >was , "I wasn't aware of anything happening."

David,

See my most recent post, prior to this one. Lorenzo Kent Kimball, and others like him, is your problem, not mine.

He was the second medical officer in command at Roswell. If bodies had been brought in he would surely have been aware of them. The fact that he wasn't aware of anything happening speaks volumes - you just don't like what you hear.

>Put Dennis in charge of a criminal investigation and have him >canvas a neighborhood for witnesses. He finds 5 people who claim >to know something and 30 who were watching television and say >they didn't hear or see anything.

>That would be the end of the investigation on Dennis' beat. >There was no crime. The 30 no-nothings would trump the 5 >possible know-somethings. Those who claim to know something must >be mistaken, liars, or loonies. That seems to be the logic at >work here.

Yeah, and put you in charge of Roswell and we'd have just the same sort of ridiculous situation we currently have - crash sites and recovered bodies everywhere, with no end in sight, and 'witnesses' like Dennis, Anderson, Kaufmann, Rowe and others probably going unchallenged. Certainly you would never have cared whether they were being truthful or not.

Again, see my previous post. I never said or implied that Kimball's testimony trumped that of two other witnesses. I asked: how many other witnesses similar to Kimball have been ignored or overlooked by Roswelll proponents simply because they didn't have an extraordinary tale to tell?

It was Aldous Huxley who said that "the unexciting truth is often eclipsed by the exciting lie." Is that what's happened with Roswell? I don't know. What I damn well do know is that you and other so-called Roswell investigators are a helluva lot more interested in those witnesses who support your sensational case than in those who don't.

Excuse me for calling attention to the latter - as you never would.

<snip>

>There _is_ a document of unimpeachable provenance that _proves_ >something 'toward' happened at Roswell. It's called the Ramey >telegram. It states unequivocably that there were "victims" and >then it goes on to discuss that something "in the 'disc'" was >going to be shipped.

>So there were 'victims' and there was an object Ramey calls a >"disc". How does a Mogul balloon crash produce "victims"?

>Furthermore, can you explain why Ramey would be calling the >crash object a "disc"?

>Think carefully Dennis. This is an intelligence test. If your >typical, knee-jerk, skepti-bunky response is that a Mogul radar >target was the "disc", then you have to explain why Ramey talks >about something "in the 'disc'" being shipped. Radar targets >didn't have any insides.

You think carefully, David. Ramey isn't calling anything anything. If you assume he's the recipient, and not the sender, of the teletype in hand. But maybe you think it's the other way around?

As I've said before: your Rorshach reading of the text in his hand is your reading. Others on your side of the argument beg to differ. Let's see a consensus - it doesn't have to be unanimous. But I'm not going to get into a discussion about it with you based on the Rudiak reading of it and the Rudiak reading alone. I've already said that you're welcome to your personal interpretation and that I think there may yet be much to be revealed in the teletype.

>Even Top Secret documents, if they existed, with similar denials >would prove nothing if the sender and/or reciprient lacked the >proper clearances. Because of compartmentalization, even if all >the parties had Top Secret clearances, this does not mean the >parties would be privy to all Top Secret information.

Blather. What you're really saying is that no document would dissuade you of your version of Roswell. Rudiak's "out", in other words.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Uninvited White Things On My Lawn - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 00:45:08 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:46:11 -0500
Subject: Re: Uninvited White Things On My Lawn - Mortellaro

>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 08:52:48 -0800
>From: Larry Hatch <<u>larry@larryMatch.net></u>
>To: Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Uninvited White Things On My Lawn

>Dear sirs and Mmes:

>All sorts of uninvited hack restaurant reviews and gawd knows >what else wind up on my poor unmowed California lawn.

Dear Hatcher, List and Errol,

I must admit that I can sympathise... sympathize. Uh, where wuz I? Oh, the uninvited thingies on _my_ lawn are not hack restaurant reviews. They are, however, 'what else!' Once, when I wuz about four, this round thing with lights on it, and windows (I think) all 'round, and not "... a woman's face in every one... " as in Dylan's Ballad of Frankie Lee and Judas Priest. I did, howsumever, almost die of thirst as did Mr. Priest did.

The moral of this story, the moral of this song, is that them bastards, should never be where they don't belong. Which is also true of a number of other duds... dudes... around these hear parts. Here parts.

Merry Happy. I know I am. In spite of mom being a hunnert miles away in that stinky, filthy, dirty, rotten, unsafe and generally miserable place called (Eeeek!) New Yawk, which I hate with a passion, she is with me.

Unfortunately so are the bastards and the left over Grappa and other assorted ketones. (hic! - Excuse me).

>Its awful really, and mostly my fault for being lazy and too >cheap to hire decent assistancias.

Hey, we gots the same type-a hep here. What a co-inky-dink. Hmmm. Wuner why?

Oil well...

Jim

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Re: New Year Agenda - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u> Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 09:15:49 EST Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:52:05 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Randle

>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 11:28:04 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99@</u>hotmail.com>
>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 17:33:01 +0000

Dick, Dennis, All -

This has gone on a little too long now. Let's all step back for a dose of perspective.

Dennis wrote,

>Dick,

>I'll keep my remarks as brief and cheery-minded as possible. >You've called for an open, objective investigation of Roswell. >(With which I concur.)

>I assume that means that each witness is to be analyzed and >weighed with the same set of scales.

>So when I use Kent Lorenzo as an example, it's not to suggest
>that one Roswell witness who claims nothing untoward happened
>there should trump two who claimed a spaceship with little
>bodies crashed. It's to ask where Lorenzo is in all the books,
>monologues, and videotaped interviews ufology has made over the
>last several years. Where are all the other eyewitnesses
>interviewed by Roswell investigators who had nothing
>extraordinary to say about it?

First, I have talked to Lorenzo, especially after he erected a website that suggested that he was a good friend of Jesse B. Johnson, who I suggested had been the base pathologist. Yes, Don Schmitt looked him up in the Compendium of Medical Specialties and said that Johnson had studied to be a pathologist. Lorenzo said not so, at least in 1947, so I looked him up and found that Johnson had, in fact, been a pathologist but that he had taken his training after he was released from active duty. I reported these facts in The Roswell Encyclopedia.

>Where, in other words, is the vaunted objectivity and balance?

>I realize that "Roswell Witness Says Absolutely Nothing
>Happened!" doesn't make for much of a headline; but if that's
>truly half of the story, I sure haven't seen it promoted that
>way in most of the Roswell material I've read and looked at.

I considered writing an article about the "busted" leads which would incorporate all those people we talked to who had nothing to say, but then, really, where is the story? A witness who saw nothing, heard nothing and did nothing is not a witness.

>How many other Roswell witnesses haven't been heard from because >they didn't have any tale to tell? Lorenzo was, I believe, the >second commanding medical officer at the hospital at the time. >Had bodies been brought in, he would almost undoubtedly have >been aware of them.

This really makes very little sense. Roswell witnesses who had no tale to tell? What then, makes them witnesses? Yes, they might have been assigned to the base, but if not involved in the recovery (Mogul or otherwise), and they have nothing to contribute, then what should we report. I thought we had made it clear that the majority of the soldiers assigned to the base saw nothing and heard very little.

I don't know what a second commanding officer might be other than an executive officer and the information I have, from both the yearbook and the telephone directory suggests that Lorenzo was neither. That doesn't negate what he says, only that he was one of many medical personnel assigned to the base in July 1947.

>As near as I can tell, however, Roswell investigators have yet >to beat a path to his door.

So, I looked at his website and talked to him on the telephone. I followed up with additional questions and moved on. I reported what he said as it related to Jesse B. Johnson. What more would you have me do?

>Kent Jeffrey's long report may indeed have had its flaws. But >when he says he talked to a number of 509th veterans who said >nothing untoward took place, I have to take him at his word. Did >fellow ufologists ask him who his contacts were so they could >conduct follow up interviews? Or was he effectively hounded out >of the field?

Here's where this really breaks down. Yes, Kent talked to a number of pilots and others who were assigned to the 509th in July, 1947. Yes, he, and I talked to people who were there and who said they had heard nothing about the UFO crash, the little bodies, or anything else (which is quite foolish since part of the story was on the front pages of both the daily newspapers in July 1947, but let's forget that).

The problem is, if the event took place and it was truly classified, then those who were not involved would not be expected to know anything about it. You simply do not discuss classified material with those who are not cleared to hear it. Yes, you can talk all you want about senators and politicians compromising classified material, but we're talking about a special unit that dealt with highly classified material all the time. If a specific pilot was not involved and now claims the event didn't happen because, if it had, he would have heard about it, that just doesn't wash. No, there is no reason to believe that he would have heard about regardless of who he was, who his friends were, or what security clearances he might have held.

I speak from experience here. I watched people get into trouble for "talking out of school" and we weren't dealing with any earth- shattering secrets. This refrain, that had it happened, I would have known, is false and anyone who had dealt with classified material and security clearances knows that.

I have tried to report on all the relevant materials so that those who have not had the opportunities I have can look at Roswell and make a rational decision. I reported that every member of Blanchard's staff that we interviewed (or others interviewed) who commented on this said that something unusual happened with the exception of Colonel Robert Barrowclough. I reported what he said in his hand- written note to Kent Jeffrey, and that he said nothing happened.

But it really comes down to this. Kent Jeffrey reported on what he was told by officers who were either not involved in the recovery, or who were not there in the proper time frame. Interviewing the former chiefs of ATIC, who started their activities in 1957 and not in 1947, does nothing to tell us what went on ten years earlier. Interviewing officers who were in Roswell but heard nothing of the tale tells us nothing about what might have happened, especially when the members of Blanchard's staff, the men who were involved, with the one cited exception, say something else. I have reported on the destruction of the Glenn Dennis tale, on the destruction of the Jim Ragsdale tale, the shifting nature of some of the stories, and have exposed any number of those who were inventing the stories. The only reason that everyone knows that Curry Holden's wife thought his story of the Roswell crash was something that he "invented" at his advanced age is because I reported what she said to me. And I reported what his daughter said to both Mark Rodegheir and to me.

I haven't reported, for example, on what a four-star general told me because he didn't know of anything that happened in Roswell in 1947... and he really wasn't in a position to know anything either.

Just to jump on the other side, have you taken the Air Force to task for their "good faith" effort in explaining Roswell in their 1994 report? I notice that they don't quote from Brigadier General Arthur Exon, though they knew who he was because I told McAndrews. I notice that they mention nothing about Edwin Easley, and while they couldn't interview him, they had copies of my taped interviews but failed to mention that the provost marshal at Roswell said, repeatedly, he had been swore to secrecy. I notice that they mentioned nothing of what Lewis Rickett had to say, which contradicted Cavitt, but knew of him because I told them what he said and supplied them with tapes.

The point here is that I can line up as much information and indignation on my side of the fence as you can on yours. I can show duplicity on the part of the Air Force in their investigations, and I can point to a number of interviews with Charles Moore and the mogul boys that I have reported on.

This affair is not as one sided as you seem to indicate here. There is plenty of slop on both sides and many mistakes were made. (Need I point out here that I actually believed that Don Schmitt was telling me the truth about what he was doing and later found out differently?). So, to answer the questions, yes, I have talked to these people, and I have reported on those who had something relevant to say. I have not reported on those who saw nothing because they saw nothing. And I have been quick to expose those who were less than candid when I have learned the truth about them.

The point is that those who don't know anything don't know anything and for them to believe, because they were in the 509th in July, 1947, that they would have known something, is foolish. The circle of those involved was limited and security reared its ugly head. For every one that Kent can produce who said he heard nothing, I can point to another who has.

KRandle

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Re: SDI Wrap-Up Of 2001 With Mr. M.J. Woods -

From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5@houston.rr.com></u>
Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 09:33:44 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 10:54:13 -0500
Subject: Re: SDI Wrap-Up Of 2001 With Mr. M.J. Woods -

>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 17:32:04 -0500
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
>Subject: Re: SDI Wrap-Up Of 2001 With Mr. M.J. Woods

>I don't particularly care about what kind of off-the-wall >conspiracy theories Greer and his bunch are espousing lately. I >just objected (vehemently) to his usage of the WTC tragedy in >that context. Let him or anybody else speculate all they want >to. I just wanted to voice my opinion that I thought his choice >of one of this countries most painful losses/tragedies was in >piss-poor taste and an opportunistic act. He/his people, used >the incident as a 'tool' in order to raise support. It was a low >thing to do and just plain inexcusable.

The "conspiracy theories" regarding 9/11 that I've had the misfortune to read about implicate various combinations of Israel, George Bush, Al Gore, the ACLU, or (naturally) BIll Clinton. If Greer or his supporters have been promulgating such vicious unsubstantiated nonsense, then they would deserve to be condemned. But it appears to me that all they've been doing is saying that the tragedy could have been avoided if circumstances had been different in certain ways (related to their own views on the way things ought to be). If that makes them exploitative conspiracy theorists, then just about everyone in the country would be, too.

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Re: 'Dustbunny' Hunt? - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 11:05:33 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 11:39:08 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Dustbunny' Hunt? - Velez

>From: Ingrid Hanson <<u>froqqy</u>@rio.com>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: 'Dustbunny' Hunt?
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 09:44:31 -0800

>Does anyone have any information about what finally happened >with this?

>Inquiring minds are inquiring yet again....

Hi Ingrid,

I have told you privately, and posted to the List that; I am awaiting some kind of 'report' from Nick (which I never received) before I post anything to the web. What I do have is, scads of photos of dust.

Nothing unusual (like the little glass-like thingies that Levengood found) appear in any of the photos. Whenever Nick sends me a formal report on his own findings it will be posted. Putting up pictures of 'dust' without any commentary would not serve any useful purpose.

Regards,

John Velez

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Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com> Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 10:50:02 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 21:34:45 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

>From: Paul Kimball <<u>Redstarfilm@aol.com></u>
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 19:45:32 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>All:

>I just finished producing and directing a documentary on the >life and times of Stan Friedman for Space and Bravo, two >television networks up here in Canada.

Additionally, I think he may (arguably) be the single researcher to have had a substantive metaphoric ode (iidssm) written about him, by a poet of any stripe, highlighting his unique philosopher/warrior spirit, solid contribution, and monumental integrity. I'm glad to hear that he's continuing to get the recognition that he richly deserves.

>Among the many people we interviewed (and kudos here to Kevin >Randle and Don Ledger for their insights, which form an >invaluable part of the film) was Karl Pflock.

Certainly a wonderful opportunity for Mr. Pflock to appear reasonable, but moot, really. Truth is? There's just not a whole lot that can be said bad about Stanton Friedman.

>Having met and interviewed the man (at length), and read his >book (as well as extensive research in general about the Roswell >case), I feel obliged to state, given some of the recent posts >about him, that I was impressed by his candor and willingness to >be open in front of the camera, even when the questions were >rather pointed.

I'll bet he was the _soul_ of perspicacious good behavior. I've been told I give a good interview myself. <g>.

>He struck me as a conscientious researcher, with a genuinely >open-minded point of view (which is not to say I agreed with him

Perhaps he's an acquired taste, but over the years he's struck me to as close to the antithesis of your assessment as one could get and not be running hard the other direction... I understand that OBL (or UBL if you want to twist the knife like Rupert Murdoch) has a very ironic conscientious effect on people in direct contact with him that is cubed from what he might be able to transmit on television (a metaphor, and not a direct comparison... please). Perhaps Mr. Phlock is an adept at turning on a required charm... the result of his training, out there, at the farm. <g>.

>- I remain, to coin one of Stan's phrases, a "healthy agnostic"
>on Roswell), and a refreshing refreshing willingness to admit to
>his mistakes.

Astonishing. I'm looking forward to meeting him someday myself, but I'll be wearing a tinfoil helmet just to be on the safe side. <g>.

>Most important, his recent book challenges us all to take a

>closer look at the Roswell case, and re-examine our own >opinions. Whether you agree with Plock's conclusions or not, >that is most definitely a good thing, and a positive >contribution to the debate, especially for those of us who >remain fascinated "lurkers".

I'd agree whole heartedly with you sir, I really would, but that I have this nagging (not completely unsupported) suspicion in my artist's heart that Mr. Phlock is more interested in the cessation of the aggregate investigation (That Mr. Friedman has worked so tirelessly for) than he is a "closer look" you perceived. Fact is? There's no _real_ looking to begin with, you see (for very suspicious reasons), and any argument against the base validity of a very real and historically demonstrable ufological investigation is _the_ antithesis of what Mr. Friedman is about, IMO. In hyperbole, Friedman is for a ufological Manhattan Project and the spirited exploration of the extra-terrestrial! Pflock champions the militarization of space and a contrived view on what he labels foolish. Friedman looks up! Pflock looks over.

>To paraphrase Stan once again, everyone should avoid attacking >the person, and focus instead on the data (rule #3 for >debunkers, I think).

With respect, sir, that's pot kettle black, and the results of living in a glass house.

Looking forward to the documentary, and thank you sir.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com
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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: The Roswell Debate

From: Lawrence Fenwick <lawrencefenwick@interactive.rogers.com>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 12:31:40 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 21:40:02 -0500
Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate

As a long-time ufologist, 48 years, I am amused by the many comments pro and con the reality of the Roswell case.

What a waste of time and energy!

The only way in which we will ever resolve the debate is if the U.S. government and its military and intelligence components reveal the truth. Their obfuscation and disinformation tactics up to the present have given us no inkling as to when, if ever, this will occur.

The only way in which the impasse might be eliminated would be Congressional hearings. Despite the well-meaning work of Dr. Steven M. Greer and the Disclosure Project, Congress has not acted.

All we really can do now is be patient.

Some event may trigger disclosure concerning Roswell and other UFO information from the government's side. Whether it takes the form of Congressional hearings to do this or not, following this hypothetical event, I remain hopeful that something will occur.

Those who criticize Dr. Greer and his Project should take a look in the mirror at what they have done as individuals. I've done nothing to change the situation myself, even though I've helped probe over 200 reports, including my own four sightings.

We can investigate cases and compile statistics from now until Doomsday and nothing will change. Will all the data and case discussion be part of an official infomation disclosure? Who knows? Only group cooperation, timing, and action can make a difference.

Comments about and constructive criticism of my statement are welcome.

Larry Fenwick

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Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 13:05:21 EST
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Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 11:28:04 -0600
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>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
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>Dick,

>I'll keep my remarks as brief and cheery-minded as possible.

>You've called for an open, objective investigation of Roswell. >(With which I concur.)

>I assume that means that each witness is to be analyzed and >weighed with the same set of scales.

But notice his argument is about "witnesses" who say they know nothing. He wants them "weighed with the same set of scales" as those who say they know something. Huh? Normally people who don't know anything aren't even considered "witnesses."

>So when I use Kent Lorenzo as an example, it's not to suggest
>that one Roswell witness who claims nothing untoward happened
>there should trump two who claimed a spaceship with little
>bodies crashed. It's to ask where Lorenzo is in all the books,
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>last several years. Where are all the other eyewitnesses
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>Where, in other words, is the vaunted objectivity and balance?

Where are all the witnesses who reported something remarkable but are completely missing from the Air Force Roswell report? Can you find what Gen. Dubose had to say in there, or Gen. Exon? Where is Jesse Marcel's testimony, or that of his son? Where is Rickett's testimony or Provost Marshall Easley's?

Where, in other words, is the vaunted objectivity and balance?

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>How many other Roswell witnesses haven't been heard from because >they didn't have any tale to tell?

Probably lots, because they have nothing to say.

>Lorenzo was, I believe, the >second commanding medical officer at the hospital at the time. >Had bodies been brought in, he would almost undoubtedly have >been aware of them. You believe? You wouldn't be trying to inflate the credentials of your witness, would you?

Lorenzo said he was a Captain, U.S. Army Medical Administrative Corps, and the third-ranking medical officer, not the second. He described his position thusly: "My primary duty was Medical Supply Officer for the Base Hospital."

References:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m27-029.shtml http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/CaptKimball.htm

Now explain to us all why the third ranking officer, the medical supply officer, would "undoubtably have been aware" of any bodies that had been brought in?

Was he at the base hospital 24/7? Did the man never sleep? Was he never off-duty?

If people are unaware of something happening, that doesn't mean it necessarily didn't happen. Most human beings are not omniscient nor omnipresent. They could conceivably have been in a position to know, but circumstances may have been such that they didn't know. E.g., Lorenzo could have been off-duty at the time and at a completely different part of the base when the bodies supposedly came in.

>As near as I can tell, however, Roswell investigators have yet >to beat a path to his door.

Kevin Randle said he spoke to Kimball, and Kimball told him he didn't know anything. This is no different than police investigators canvassing a neighborhood looking for witnesses and ignoring people who say they were unaware of anything happening. It's the people who say they know something or were involved in some way that you concentrate on.

>Kent Jeffrey's long report may indeed have had its flaws. But >when he says he talked to a number of 509th veterans who said >nothing untoward took place, I have to take him at his word.

>Did

>fellow ufologists ask him who his contacts were so they could >conduct follow up interviews?

When conducting any sort of investigation, the most efficient use of one's time is spent interviewing in depth people who say they know something, not those who say they don't. This is a remarkably simple concept, yet it seems to be way over your head.

Sometimes even when principals say nothing significant happened, it can point to exactly the opposite conclusion. A classic case in point was Sheridan Cavitt who denied for years being involved or even at Roswell at the time. But then the AF tried to turn him into a star witness and suddenly he was magically at Roswell and involved. His testimony was a patchwork of serious internal contradictions that clearly pointed to him lying on many points, such as never meeting rancher Brazel or finding a balloon crash no bigger than his living room. This raised the question as to why he would need to lie unless he was still trying to hide something.

What you seem to be ignoring in your typical Stacian rant is that there are witnesses of merit who have said that something highly unusual happened at Roswell. Skeptical accounts frequently ignore such witnesses (e.g. AF Report), yet your wrath is hypocritically directed against accounts that fail to mention people who knew nothing.

>Or was he effectively hounded out of the field?

Jeez, get a grip! Kent Jeffrey took himself out of the field. Nobody "hounded" him.

>Ufology's track record on Roswell is pretty self-evident: you >can do almost anything and remain a member in good standing ->just don't criticize Roswell.

Your Roswell skeptical martyrdom routine is getting pretty darn

boring! It is also typical skepti-bunker hypocrisy. You guys love to dish it out, but you can't take it. When the criticism comes back at you, you place yourselves on the side of the angels and scream persecution.

David Rudiak

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <jkclark@frontiernet.net>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 13:08:11 -0600
Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 21:56:33 -0500
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Clark

>From: Steven Kaeser <<u>steve@konsulting.com></u>
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>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 15:31:22 -0500

>>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 10:48:37 -0600

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>>>From: sqquishy@altavista.com
>>>Subject: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>Sheehan's involvement in the cases you've mentioned is not at >issue. His anecdotal commentary that doesn't appear to fit the >facts is certainly open to discussion. I would like to pursue >the claim that he went to the Madison building to view UFO >information (in a guarded room), which doesn't make a lot of >sense. As far as the building itself is concerned, the >cornerstone was laid in 1974 and Pres. Ronald Reagan >participated in dedication ceremonies on November 20, 1981. I >don't seem to recall if Sheehan narrowed down the time frame as >to this visit to the Madison, but I think Carter performed the >bulk of his inquiry into the subject during his first term, >rather than the second. The Madison was only two years into >construction when Carter's second term began.

And what second term would that be? Jimmy Carter served one term, between 1977 and 1981, and was defeated in his re-election bid by Ronald Reagan in the 1980 Presidential election.

Jerry Clark

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'The Missing Times'?

From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5@houston.rr.com</u>> Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:42:30 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 21:58:27 -0500 Subject: 'The Missing Times'?

I just came across this web site on my way to looking up something else:

www.themissingtimes.com

It looks as if it might be an interesting book on the relationship of the news media to the UFO phenomenon. Is anyone familiar with it or the author?

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:14:48 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 22:00:03 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 09:15:49 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

<snip>

>The problem is, if the event took place and it was truly >classified, then those who were not involved would not be >expected to know anything about it. You simply do not discuss >classified material with those who are not cleared to hear it. >Yes, you can talk all you want about senators and politicians >compromising classified material, but we're talking about a >special unit that dealt with highly classified material all the >time. If a specific pilot was not involved and now claims the >event didn't happen because, if it had, he would have heard >about it, that just doesn't wash. No, there is no reason to >believe that he would have heard about regardless of who he was, >who his friends were, or what security clearances he might have >held.

>I speak from experience here. I watched people get into trouble
>for "talking out of school" and we weren't dealing with any
>earth- shattering secrets. This refrain, that had it happened, I
>would have known, is false and anyone who had dealt with
>classified material and security clearances knows that.

<snip>

>Krandle

Kevin,

Hasn't this situation ever struck you as, uh, well, a bit, shall we say...incongruous?

I mean, here's the most classified secret in the history of the world, the greatest moment in human life -- and only a handful of dedicated men sworn to secrecy know the truth. How then, pray tell, did the public at large ever learn of it?

This Band of Brothers doesn't know you, Friedman, Schmitt, Berliner or any other journalist or ufologist from Joe or Adam, and practically all you've got to do is show up in person, pen and paper or videocamera in hand, and they seem only too willing to spill the beans on the world's best kept (sic) Top Secret to a complete outsider.

I may be exaggerating a little for rhetorical effect, of course, but I've always been curious as to how you've managed to reconcile this apparent contradiction in your mind?

As for saying this tightly knit band wouldn't talk amongst itself, but apparently had little compunction against talking to a perfect stranger... well, we all like to have our cake and eat it, too.

I guess we should be thankful that, when the chips were down and

the press came calling, they really couldn't keep a secret, after all. Makes you wonder whether or not they served alcohol at all those reunions, doesn't it?

Dennis Stacy

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Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Pflock

From: Karl Pflock <<u>Ktperehwon</u>@aol.com> Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 16:27:04 EST Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 22:05:00 -0500 Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Pflock

Dick Et Al,

>Within the next few weeks I will post a notice to the List that >my rebuttal is available, and will send an e-mail copy to anyone >who is interested off-list. We can air this bit of dirty laundry >that way in semi-private.

A good idea, Dick, though I hope you will stick to the facts and refrain from the temptation to indulge in libelous statements such as those below. If both of us stick to the facts, then the air can be cleared. If not... Meanwhile, on advice of counsel, I'll be supplying you and Fred Whiting with copies of the relevant correspondence by snail mail.

>The simple truth is that the set of videotaped interviews with >Roswell witnesses were quite unethically 'purloined' by Whiting >and Pflock behind the backs of members of the Fund for UFO >Research Executive Committee, without either our knowledge or >consent. We didn't even know about it until after Whiting had >resigned from the Fund and we asked him to return the tapes to >us. This was not done in the context of the Fund's support for >Pflock's research nor in the time scale claimed by Mr. Pflock, >as I hope to demonstrate.

Sigh... Let's hope what follows ends this exchange here and the discussion will be continued in the semi-private manner Dick has suggested.

First, my Roswell-research grant from the Fund was approved in early April 1993.

Second, not long thereafter (proabably early in the summer of '93; I don't have any documentation to which I can refer at the moment), Fred Whiting loaned me the Fund's uncut Roswell witness videotapes for use in my Fund-sponsored work. I have no knowledge of whether any other Fund officer/board member was aware of this, but I have no doubt that Fred, who was the Fund's secretary-treasurer and a board member for something like 14 years, acted well within his authority as the custodian of the Fund's research materials.

Moreover, can anyone reasonably doubt that it was appropriate for me to have been given access to these materials, given that the Fund had given me a grant of several thousand dollars to do an in-depth investigation? Is it more reasonable to believe that Dick Hall and the other board members and officers would have preferred that I do only a sorta-in-depth job?

Third, that I had the tapes and used them during the period I was doing Fund-sponsored work is demonstrated clearly by the references in 'Roswell In Perspective', my interim-report monograph, published by the Fund in June 1994. See, e.g., footnote 3 to chapter 1 (p. 24).

Fourth, after I'd finished with the tapes they went into a box and were stored with the vast quantity of other Roswell materials I'd compiled. There they sat until I was reminded by Rob Swiatek, Fred's successor as Fund secretary-treasurer, that I still had them with a polite request that I return them. It Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Pflock

took me a while to get around to this, for which I have no excuse by a 'fatal' combination of laziness and being very busy.

Fifth, it's worth noting that, after Fred Whiting resigned his position with the Fund, it took many months and several reminders from Fred to his erstwhile Fund colleagues before they bothered to arrange to collect the Fund files, records, etc., in his possession. If I recall correctly, and I may not, it was Fred who pointed out to Rob that I still had the Roswell tapes.

So, okay, already. I'm guilty - of being lazy, too busy, and less than prompt. So alright, already. Slap the cuffs on, Dick Tracy!

>...Let's get on with some constructive exchanges.

Yes, let's - as for example Dick's very interesting UFO evidence review commission. This is an idea that has real merit.

Cheers and Happy New Year to all,

KARL

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 16:37:20 -0600 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 09:41:09 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

List,

Let me "trot" Lorenzo Kent Kimball out one last time. A Professor Emeritus of Political Science at the University of Utah, he died on June 10, 1999. Here's his obit:

http://www.apsanet.org/PS/sept00/kimball.cfm

Those who missed his appearance here can find it archived at:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m27-029.shtml

He was the third-ranking medical officer at Roswell in 1947, not the second as I stated earlier.

Still, some might find his remarks interesting...

Here's a small excerpt:

[David note-the-snide-tone Rudiak] "So because this one person saw no unusual activity at the base hospital - while he was on duty - or when he was on the golf course, or down at the base swimming hole or drinking hole, we are supposed to conclude that nothing at all unusual could have happened anywhere on the base at all hours of the day and night. That makes zero sense. Kimball, e.g., would have had no clearance to be down at the flight line or in the hangars, so anything going on down there would have been strictly off-limits to him."

[Kimball] My response: I am at a loss to understand how you can state that I had no clearance to the flight line or hangars. The fact is, I had a Top Secret clearance and was very often on the flight line and in many of the hangars for a variety of reasons, including participation in training programs, familiarization programs, and taking actual flights in different aircraft, including training missions. Also, staff meetings were held by Major Comstock for the express purposes of sharing information about what was going on not only at the hospital but on the base in general and to discuss any unusual problems. I did not perform my duties, and there were many, in a vacuum.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: The Roswell Debate - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 23:05:19 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:08:13 -0500
Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate - Mortellaro

>From: Lawrence Fenwick <<u>lawrencefenwick</u>@interactive.rogers.com>
>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 12:31:40 -0500 (EST)
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: The Roswell Debate

>As a long-time ufologist, 48 years, I am amused by the many >comments pro and con the reality of the Roswell case.

>What a waste of time and energy!

Dear Larry, List and Errol,

I take exception to your position in the most severe manner. If we adopt the same attitude as you suggest for Roswell, then we may as well adopt the same attitude about any past event for which there is minimal evidence. Which is to say, all the events we speak about here.

And if my mind is functioning properly (I think it is, as there are no drugs, booze or other substances in my body with the sole possible exception of Prilosec, Labetalol, Provachol and Tylenol - all of which work so hard to correct [in proper order] my stomach acid, blood pressure, cholesterol and the pain in my head from reading to many silly posts here)... where was I? Oh, if my mind is working properly and you are correct about Roswell, then we may as well cash this List in. Errol, tell everyone UpDates is passe'. Larry thinks researching Roswell is a waste of time. Which means so is any other gardamned event. Any one... as they all fit the character of Roswell by Larry's standards.

In fact, we should wait until the Government(s) tell us everything they know about UFO's and the abduction experience. Hah! That'll be what? When hell freezes over?

>The only way in which we will ever resolve the debate is if the >U.S. government and its military and intelligence components >reveal the truth. Their obfuscation and disinformation tactics >up to the present have given us no inkling as to when, if ever, >this will occur.

>The only way in which the impasse might be eliminated would be >Congressional hearings. Despite the well-meaning work of Dr. >Steven M. Greer and the Disclosure Project, Congress has not >acted.

>All we really can do now is be patient.

Good idea. I shall give up my own research into my own perceived experiences until someone tells me what they really are. Ah, nope! Dead wrong. Klass, OldBarge and their ilk already did that. It ain't nothin' but swamp gas or pelicans... black, white or the flat ones that some stupid astronaut saw which OldBarge thinks was pieces of pelican doodoo.

Sheesh!

>Some event may trigger disclosure concerning Roswell and other >UFO information from the government's side. Whether it takes the >form of Congressional hearings to do this or not, following this >hypothetical event, I remain hopeful that something will occur.

Me too. I hope that hell freezes over real quick. Or at least before I croak!

>Those who criticize Dr. Greer and his Project should take a look >in the mirror at what they have done as individuals. I've done >nothing to change the situation myself, even though I've helped >probe over 200 reports, including my own four sightings.

I oppose criticism of anyone who makes the attempt to make something positive happen, even Greer. Whilst not the man for the job, he's the only one that went out on that skinny branch some call a limb and did his thing. You didn't. Neither did I. And no one else I know of. We just write books and funny stories on UpDates, which Errol is canceling at my request. Forthwith.

>We can investigate cases and compile statistics from now until >Doomsday and nothing will change. Will all the data and case >discussion be part of an official infomation disclosure? Who >knows? Only group cooperation, timing, and action can make a >difference.

 $> \mbox{Comments}$ about and constructive criticism of my statement are $> \mbox{welcome}$.

OK. Done. See all of the above. And one more thing. Whilst I had my tongue positioned where it often is, firmly planted in my cheek, I do wish to say that everything I writ above... honest, Larry, everything... I meant. In spades. What a silly bunch of statements you made.

Unless of course, I misconscrewed the screwing... misconstrued the spewing I just did with my trusty Li'l LiilyPuts drive screwver. I am sure that someone will let me know if'n I did that again. Silly me.

And again, dogs both fart and burp. I again aks that Mr. Hatcher advise if there is anything he does to minimize either the noise or eliminate it entirely... the burping I mean.

Larry?

Jim

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My Name Is Sue... How Do You Do?

From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com> Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 23:25:14 EST Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:15:33 -0500 Subject: My Name Is Sue... How Do You Do?

Dear List, Errol,

On advice of counsel, I am suing everyone on this List who had called me a name. Any name. Although I am not a litigious person, I insist on people not calling me names. Those people who did call me names are all jerks anyway. Probably take Hero In and other assorted sgurds [there goes that pesky dyslexia again].

Once, when I was new to this List, some arrogant son of a pelican prat called me a name. I wanted so much to sue the bastard, but I thought better of it and decided to have him killed instead. A-hole!

So, in conclusion, I wish to inform Msrs Old Barf, Young Blood, Stacey Keesh, (and the person I cannot name) plus many, many others, that my consiglieri will be in touch with them. Wanna know who my consiglieri is? Huh? Non-other than the same man who was consiglieri to the GodFadda. _That_ lawyer. So, you stupid loons better not call me no names.

And in conclusion number two... this is addressed to you Mr. Carp... Flarp .. Fleck... whathehellever... if you write posts on this list and wanna sue me? Well, I'll have you all either kneecapped or whacked by one of my uncles... all of whom's members are made.

So back off numbskulls... dopes and other fools .. and no name calling.

As for me, I shall now resort to the same silly nonsense I have been listening to for too long, the silliness of Phrock and his ilk... and this is purely my opinion... stay the hell off this list of you can't take it. Otherwise, drop the litigious B.S. or consider another venue. I know of one... it's the "Nya, Nya, I'm gonna tell your mommy on you!" list. For babies like you.

Jim Mortellaro

Sour, pickled and pissed - I ran out of Gripple too early tonight and the stores are closed.

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Goldstein

From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 05:38:18 +0100
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:20:53 -0500
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Goldstein

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
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>>From: sqquishy@altavista.com
>>Subject: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>>As a part of those studies for the President, Marcia Smith
>>brought on board Daniel Sheehan... Sheehan reported that Ms.
>>Smith told him that President elect Carter had requested all the
>>UFO files, from then Director of Central Intelligence George
>>Bush, and was told that he as President would have no
>>need-to-know for this particular subject.

>Smith appears not to remember it this way.

>>Sheehan has also reported on many occasions that Marcia Smith
>>got him access to the classified portions of the USAF Project
>>Blue Book files, which he was able to view in a basement vault
>>in the Madison Building in Washington. While viewing these
>>files, Sheehan reported that he viewed a number of photos of a
>>crashed flying saucer in a snowbank, being investigated by USAF
>>members.

>Oh, the old 'underground vault' and 'crashed saucer photos' >again - how many people have we heard jumping on this >look-how-important-I-am story?

>>Marcia Smith knows exactly what the future of space is. >>Unfortunately, it doesn't appear that she told the listeners of >>NPR.

>Smith does not appear to remember it this way, that Sheehan is >telling it.

Jim,

I would like to know if a statement from Marcia Smith regarding how she remembers the Carter studies and Sheehan's involvement. I am in Europe and don't get NPR. How can those who don't get NPR see her statements regarding the future of space? Can a transcript be posted here?

Thanks,

Josh

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Re: Dead Aliens - Cameron

From: Cory Cameron <<u>kecksburg@cnwl.igs.net></u>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 19:06:33 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:26:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Dead Aliens - Cameron

>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 20:25:12 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>Subject: Re: Dead Aliens

>>From: Cory Cameron <<u>kecksburg</u>@cnwl.igs.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Dead Aliens
>>Date: Sat, 29 Dec 2001 23:46:04 -0500

>>>From: GT McCoy <<u>gtmccoy</u>@harborside.com>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Dead Aliens
>>>Date: Fri, 28 Dec 2001 23:18:48 -0800

>>>You wrote:

>>>Hello all.

>>>In a previous post I brought up the question - did the Alien >>>bodies ah, smell, after laying in the hot summer sun of Roswell?

>>>Apparently they did and were quite fragrant, as in fetid, >>>stinkaroo, gagging, etc.

>>>Brazel and possibly others, commented on the stench. Now the
>>>next question, even the most jaded pathologist can be overcome
>>>if the subject is sufficiently 'ripe'. Why in the 'Alien
>>>Autopsy' isn't anyone (cameraman included) heaving their
>>>toe-nails out?

>><snip>

>>I remember distinctly certain portions of the AA video where it >>appears that one of the so-called doctors seems to be breathing >>heavily, as if he or she is having difficulty coping with the >>situation. Now this doesn't coincide with vomiting, but I >>believe there is an argument to be made here.

>If you're referring to the AA footage other than the hoaxed >"tent footage.

>It's possible to see some movement in the helmet of one on the >suits worn by one of the "doctors" that would indicate >breathing, but remember the cameraman claims the air supply was >fed into these suits from an external source via tubes attached >to the suit legs, and though he himself claims he took off his >helmet he makes no comment of smells etc. Also if we accept his >account as true, _his_ event _is_ _not_ the "classic" Roswell >event of early July 1947, but an earlier event in May/June.

Thanks, didn't take the air supply theory into consideration. Indeed it would tend to explain away the situation.

Regards,

Cory

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>I considered writing an article about the "busted" leads which >would incorporate all those people we talked to who had nothing >to say, but then, really, where is the story? A witness who saw >nothing, heard nothing and did nothing is not a witness.

Kevin,

Really? Depends, doesn't it? See Kimball's comments below.

>>How many other Roswell witnesses haven't been heard from because
>>they didn't have any tale to tell? Lorenzo was, I believe, the
>>second commanding medical officer at the hospital at the time.
>>Had bodies been brought in, he would almost undoubtedly have
>>been aware of them.

>This really makes very little sense. Roswell witnesses who had >no tale to tell? What then, makes them witnesses? Yes, they >might have been assigned to the base, but if not involved in the >recovery (Mogul or otherwise), and they have nothing to >contribute, then what should we report. I thought we had made it >clear that the majority of the soldiers assigned to the base saw >nothing and heard very little.

It makes perfect sense, Kevin. If someone wants to insert alien bodies into the Roswell story, it's logical to drive them through the base hospital. (Even Glenn Dennis knew that much.) When someone who was at the hospital at the time says no such thing happened, it makes him a witness to the counterclaim that no alien bodies passed through Roswell. I don't see what's so hard to understand. At the very least, it means you have to find another path for the bodies. Or explain why a person in position to know, in fact didn't know.

As Kimball put it: "The primary reason I prepared the web site on Roswell was to provide what I thought was first hand information as to what did NOT take place at the Base Hospital in the summer of 1947."

>I don't know what a second commanding officer might be other >than an executive officer and the information I have, from both the >yearbook and the telephone directory suggests that Lorenzo was >neither. That doesn't negate what he says, only that he was one of >many medical personnel assigned to the base in July 1947.

Here's how Kimball put it: "Although I was 'only' a Captain at the time, it so happens I was the third ranking officer assigned

to the Base Hospital. The Commander was a Major - Jack Comstock, we had a Lt. Col. by the name of Harold M. Warne who was our Dental Surgeon. I was senior to all the Captains assigned by date of rank. As I noted above my access to the base facilities was anything but limited." Kimball had a Top Secret clearance.

>>As near as I can tell, however, Roswell investigators have yet >>to beat a path to his door.

>So, I looked at his website and talked to him on the telephone.
>I followed up with additional questions and moved on. I reported
>what he said as it related to Jesse B. Johnson. What more would
>you have me do?

I don't know. Maybe completely reconsider or disavow the source who told you (or was it Schmitt) that Johnson conducted the autopsy of an alien body at the base hospital in the first place? Give the late Kimball an entry in the next edition of the Roswell Encyclopedia?

Who knows? The year is young!

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Oberg

From: James Oberg <joberg@houston.rr.com>
Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 19:26:09 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:48:01 -0500
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Oberg

>Date: 31 Dec 2001 19:21:39 -0800
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>Well, Jimmy. Here's your chance to rewrite history. You can >correct my distorted version of history based on what Marcia >confided to you. The 'Bush told Carter' story is a major tale in >Ufology, and even people at the Carter library are aware of it. >I will write them and tell them you are about to enlighten the >world with the truth.

I was just offering my own evaluation, with future detailed exposition to be assigned a reasonable priority on my 'to-do' list. Much of the relevant testimony remains 'not for publication', since it seems to me those whose names have been used by Grant Cameron appear to think it's a useless and non-worthwhile exercise to try and change any minds, and my arguments that it could be worthwhile were not persuasive. Since faceless folks on the 'UpDates' mailing List do not dictate my own prioritization, I can't even predict when I'll be able to make an effort to successfully persuade the testifiers to do so in public.

Grant, that leaves you in control of the floor.

>This neither you, nor I, nor Marcia can say for sure, as none of >us was there. The question you and Marcia can resolve is did >Marcia obtain access to classified Blue Book files for Mr. >Sheehan. If not what is her version of the story.

Marcia Smith is the only one authorized to publish her views on this question, and if she thinks the issue is too unimportant and too argumentative - to enter, I respect her judgment based on 25 years of productive professional cooperation between us.

>Which leads to your homework questions:

>1) Did Marcia bring Sheehan on board to help do a report of UFOs > and a report on ETI?

>2) Did Marcia ask Sheehan to contact the Vatican library for > their UFO files?

>3) Did Marcia get access to classified Blue Book files for Mr. > Sheehan?

>4) What is Marcia's version of the story about what George Bush > Sr. replied when asked about UFOs by Jimmy Carter?

>5) How many times did you talk to Marcia about this, and when > were these conversations?

>6) Most importantly, for those who may read this at the Carter > library - where are the files for all these events??

>Grant Cameron

You seem to seriously misperceive your status vis-a-vis my own

schedule of activities, interests, and priorities. What can you do to motivate me to want to do any such research along these lines?

Jim Oberg

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Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:18:05 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:54:19 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 21:22:18 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 14:12:12 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

><snip>

>>Poor Kent Lorenzo. Dennis regularly drags him out as his
>>personal poster boy for Roswell witnesses who supposedly
>>disprove anything happened. But all the man basically had to say
>>was , "I wasn't aware of anything happening."

>David,

>See my most recent post, prior to this one. Lorenzo Kent >Kimball, and others like him, is your problem, not mine.

>He was the second medical officer in command at Roswell. If >bodies had been brought in he would surely have been aware of >them. The fact that he wasn't aware of anything happening speaks >volumes - you just don't like what you hear.

Dennis,

Hate to mention this, but if you truly understood how government and classified material is handled you would have realized that this is not correct.

For example most people would _assume_ that because the Vice President of the United States is number 2 man so to speak and he should/would know everything just because of his position. The fact is that the Vice Presidents only know what they have a need-to-know. Harry Truman as VP of the US had no knowledge of the Manhatten project, yet many people might 'assume' that he should have/would have known or have knowledge just because of his position. In one of the books on the Stealth project either Clarence Kelly or Ben Rich, they mentioned that the chain of command for this highly classified compartmentalized project was from the Skunk works, to a one Star AF general, to Secretary of Defense, directly to the President. Supposedly cut out of the chain on this was the Vice President, Joint Chiefs and a host of other military people that people would _assume_ would have knowledge.

The other great myths are just because a person has a 'Top Secret' security clearance, or is cleared for higher access, in fact means they are entitled to read and know everything about the project they are working on. This is totally bogus. Even with a clearance, you are only allowed to access document that it is determined that you have a need-to-know.

It is likely that many people at the Roswell air base (including highly decorated, higher ranking people, had absolutly no

knowledge about what happened because they did not have a need-to-know and were not told.

Bottom line is just because a miltary person doesn't know, doesn't mean it didn't happen. Likewise if a military person is 'quiet' about something it may mean he had no knowledge or it may mean he knew all about it and felt duty bound by his security clearances.

Also keep in mind that a so called lower ranking person and or lessor person on the chain of command totem pole may in fact know much more because they were cleared, where as higher ranking officers or leaders were not cleared. Just because a person is or was not cleared for a particular subject doesn't make the person bad or evil, he or she just didn't have a need-to-know and was not cleared.

Cheers,

Robert

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From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:38:59 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:56:40 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:14:48 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 09:15:49 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>>The problem is, if the event took place and it was truly
>>classified, then those who were not involved would not be
>>expected to know anything about it. You simply do not discuss
>>classified material with those who are not cleared to hear it.
>>Yes, you can talk all you want about senators and politicians
>>compromising classified material, but we're talking about a
>>special unit that dealt with highly classified material all the
>>time. If a specific pilot was not involved and now claims the
>>event didn't happen because, if it had, he would have heard
>>about it, that just doesn't wash. No, there is no reason to
>>believe that he would have heard about regardless of who he was,
>>who his friends were, or what security clearances he might have
>>held.

>>I speak from experience here. I watched people get into trouble
>>for "talking out of school" and we weren't dealing with any
>>earth- shattering secrets. This refrain, that had it happened, I
>>would have known, is false and anyone who had dealt with
>>classified material and security clearances knows that.

><snip>

>>Krandle

>Kevin,

>Hasn't this situation ever struck you as, uh, well, a bit, shall >we say...incongruous?

>I mean, here's the most classified secret in the history of the >world, the greatest moment in human life -- and only a handful >of dedicated men sworn to secrecy know the truth. How then, pray >tell, did the public at large ever learn of it?

When the CIA started the recon sat program as a highly compartmentalized program as I recall only 1500 or so people in the entire US Government were actually cleared on a need-to-know basis. Since that time that secret was leaked out here and there but as a whole it was kept secret.

>This Band of Brothers doesn't know you, Friedman, Schmitt, >Berliner or any other journalist or ufologist from Joe or Adam, >and practically all you've got to do is show up in person, pen >and paper or videocamera in hand, and they seem only too >willing to spill the beans on the world's best kept (sic) Top

>Secret to a complete outsider.

When I was working on my Cold War History research I had people who talked freely about classified things, and yet others who would get vague and or change the subject once I drifted into an area that was still classified or that they felt I was in a still classified area. Some people had no problem talking with a researcher long after the fact. Others did. One guy I spoke to told me about what I found out later was a highly classified project. He told me in two parts and let me 'make the connection' between the two parts. Because both parts (stand alone) were not classified _but_ if you mixed them it was highly classified. He didn't mix them, so he felt he wasn't disclosing classified information.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:54:47 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 12:59:08 -0500
Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Gates

>From: Karl Pflock <<u>Ktperehwon@aol.com</u>> >Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 16:27:04 EST >Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall >To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>Dick Et Al,

>>Within the next few weeks I will post a notice to the List that >>my rebuttal is available, and will send an e-mail copy to anyone >>who is interested off-list. We can air this bit of dirty laundry >>that way in semi-private.

>A good idea, Dick, though I hope you will stick to the facts and >refrain from the temptation to indulge in libelous statements >such as those below. If both of us stick to the facts, then the >air can be cleared. If not... Meanwhile, on advice of counsel, >I'll be supplying you and Fred Whiting with copies of the >relevant correspondence by snail mail.

>>The simple truth is that the set of videotaped interviews with
>>Roswell witnesses were quite unethically 'purloined' by Whiting
>>and Pflock behind the backs of members of the Fund for UFO
>>Research Executive Committee, without either our knowledge or
>>consent. We didn't even know about it until after Whiting had
>>resigned from the Fund and we asked him to return the tapes to
>>us. This was not done in the context of the Fund's support for
>>Pflock's research nor in the time scale claimed by Mr. Pflock,
>>as I hope to demonstrate.

>Sigh... Let's hope what follows ends this exchange here and the >discussion will be continued in the semi-private manner Dick has >suggested.

>First, my Roswell-research grant from the Fund was approved >in early April 1993.

>Second, not long thereafter (proabably early in the summer of >'93; I don't have any documentation to which I can refer at the >moment), Fred Whiting loaned me the Fund's uncut Roswell witness >videotapes for use in my Fund-sponsored work. I have no >knowledge of whether any other Fund officer/board member was >aware of this, but I have no doubt that Fred, who was the Fund's >secretary-treasurer and a board member for something like 14 >years, acted well within his authority as the custodian of the >Fund's research materials.

Of course everybody should realize that just because Fred was an officers/board member, secretary-treasurer, does not necessarly mean that he in fact "acted well within his authority." That remains to be seen. It could have easily required a full vote of the board to release research material. On the other hand at the time it may not have mattered to the board and everybody yawned.

I am curious if there was in fact a letter from Fred stating that he had spoke to the board and they approved.

>Moreover, can anyone reasonably doubt that it was appropriate >for me to have been given access to these materials, given that

>the Fund had given me a grant of several thousand dollars to do >an in-depth investigation? Is it more reasonable to believe that >Dick Hall and the other board members and officers would have >preferred that I do only a sorta-in-depth job?

Personally I can reasonably doubt. Just because you get a grant does not mean you automatically have access to any and all information in the hands of the people giving the grant. Even without the information a person getting a grant could do an indepth job.

Wasn't Stan Friedman given a grant by the FUND for research into the MJ-12 documents? If so was he given full and complete access to every particle of information and or videos in the hands of the fund as part of his research?

Cheers,

Robert

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From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 13:57:53 -0500 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 13:57:53 -0500 Subject: Archive News

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To all readers, a peaceful and prosperous New Year

Errol Bruce-Knapp

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From: Bruce Maccabee <<u>brumac@compuserve.com</u>> Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 14:20:18 -0500 Fwd Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 22:07:42 -0500 Subject: Symmetry 0 0 yrtemmyS

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Re: Bottom Line on Walter Haut - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 01:42:46 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:07:45 -0500
Subject: Re: Bottom Line on Walter Haut - Gates

>From: Wendy Connors projectsign@worldnet.att.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Bottom Line on Walter Haut
>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 15:27:10 -0700

>>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Sat, 29 Dec 2001 23:21:26 EST
>>UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Bottom Line On Walter Haut

><snip>

>>4) I predict that when the Oral History becomes public all the
>>researchers who didn't get a chance to view and see the
>>history will belittle and debunk everything in it for the
>>usual assortment of reasons, stories and so forth. We will be
>>treated to tales about how Walter's reasons (which may have
>>been totally heartfelt by him) were really wrong, misleading
>>and why he was a total liar.

>>5) Speculating about the contents of Walt's Oral history
>>interview is similar to a newspaper speculating and
>>theorizing about the contents of a classified document,
>>without actually seeing what was written in the document. The
>>bottom line is no matter what or who says what, the
>>information won't be available for awhile.

><snip>

>>While many people seem captivated with the idea of 'Well Walt
>>didn't tell the story earlier, so all this is age, or
>>misleading, or tall tale telling.'

>Robert,

>Perhaps your thoughts above are the forboding elements yet to >come. Many have certainly been vociferous enough already to >condemn in half-truths, etc, unshamelessly, in order for the few >to pompously prance in their own egotistical foppery in order to >convince themselves that they are the masters of that which no >other persons should be allowed to contemplate or bear witness.

Hi Wendy,

I truly hope it doesn't happen, but sadly I suspect it will.

>I am no longer sure the more congregate of crypto-aeronautics >deserve that which would be revealed, strictly from the previous >assasination of credibility, in regard to knowledge or >enlightenment that might be shared.

>Therefore, I am pulling in my public involvement with >crypto-aeronautics and will, from this point forward, keep my >work, research and discoveries private. Shared with only the

I wouldn't worry about keeping your discoveries quiet unless the principles involved (Walt) wishes that material is not

disclosed. At that point I wouldn't even publicly reveal the name of the person until after whatever time line they set.

>closest associates I trust. Most of my work and archives will be >available publicly only after my death and in the interim, by >invitation only. This will be my last post to UFO UpDates.

People are just ignorant in thinking they've 'interviewed everybody' so "I know everything". They may not know everything because the person may not choose to reveal everything.

Personally I would keep posting to UpDates....

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 01:20:14 EST Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:08:07 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Gates

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg@</u>houston.rr.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 08:17:40 -0600

>>Date: 30 Dec 2001 13:24:06 -0800
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u>
>>Subject: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>>As a part of those studies for the President, Marcia Smith
>>brought on board Daniel Sheehan... Sheehan reported that Ms.
>>Smith told him that President elect Carter had requested all the
>>UFO files, from then Director of Central Intelligence George
>>Bush, and was told that he as President would have no
>>need-to-know for this particular subject.

>Smith appears not to remember it this way.

This is the impression I have had. As I asked before when this story surfaced, as _anybody_ including the principles telling or repeating the story _ever_ gotten any kind of confirmation from Smith in the form of email, letters or whatever. I suspect what Smith remembers and what Sheehan remembers are two totally different storys.

>>Sheehan has also reported on many occasions that Marcia Smith
>>got him access to the classified portions of the USAF Project
>>Blue Book files, which he was able to view in a basement vault
>>in the Madison Building in Washington. While viewing these
>>files, Sheehan reported that he viewed a number of photos of a
>>crashed flying saucer in a snowbank, being investigated by USAF
>>members.

>Oh, the old 'underground vault' and 'crashed saucer photos' >again - how many people have we heard jumping on this >look-how-important-I-am story?

Last I heard Sheehan is backing off this story. If he in fact is, it will be another one on the Ufological junk heap.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Bottom Line On Walter Haut - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 01:50:18 EST Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:20:25 -0500 Subject: Re: Bottom Line On Walter Haut - Gates

>Date: Sun, 30 Dec 2001 17:42:13 -0600
>Subject: Bottom Line On Walter Haut
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

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>>Date: Sat, 29 Dec 2001 23:21:26 EST
>>Subject: Bottom Line On Walter Haut
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>The bottom line on Walter Haut, seems to be:

>>1) Haut gave an Oral history interview where he describes or >>discloses certain information that he knew about Roswell >>concerning bodies and other things. He has not previously >>disclosed them and the reasons for not disclosing them is >>also in the Oral History, apparently only available to >>researchers _after_ he is dead.

><snip>

>Robert,

>Hard to argue with the points you've raised.

>Still, it's curious as to why Haut was interviewed so many times >- by numerous leading ufologists yet! - and yet seemingly chose >to bear his soul only to Wendy Connors, the details of which are >only to be released after his death: no follow up questions >permitted.

It could be he felt he could trust Wendy more then any of these other researchers. As I mentioned he may have some heart felt reason as to why he has never said anything and to us the reason may be utterly meaningless. Who knows.

>Well, maybe this is the right way to handle things... and maybe >it isn't.

It apparently was the way he wanted to handle things so it was the right thing by his standards.

As I recall somebody on the List actually talked to Haut and he would only give them generalities as opposed to things he has already said. Point being is he didn't know the person and probably didn't trust them.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 04:54:14 -0600 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:24:15 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:14:48 -0600
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>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
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>>earth- shattering secrets. This refrain, that had it happened, I
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>>classified material and security clearances knows that.

...Carrying coal to Newcastle, I know, but as a career officer (retired) I can concur with Dr. Randle.

>Kevin,

>Hasn't this situation ever struck you as, uh, well, a bit, shall >we say...incongruous?

>I mean, here's the most classified secret in the history of the >world, the greatest moment in human life -- and only a handful >of dedicated men sworn to secrecy know the truth. How then, pray >tell, did the public at large ever learn of it?

I believe it likely that even that small handful (given the probable large number of that handful), if they were a remotely smart handful at all, would plainly realize "the most classified secret in the history of the world, the greatest moment in human life..." flatly _couldn't_ be kept. The trick would be to release it in such a way that the aggregate communication is corrupted, or otherwise discredited. In this way they can confuse and obfuscate the issue, maintain their unctuously plausible deniability, and hide in plain sight.

>This Band of Brothers doesn't know you, Friedman, Schmitt, >Berliner or any other journalist or ufologist from Joe or Adam, >and practically all you've got to do is show up in person, pen >and paper or videocamera in hand, and they seem only too willing >to spill the beans on the world's best kept (sic) Top Secret to >a complete outsider.

Oh come on! Put yourself in the shoes of the witnesses. You'd be busting to finally tell this story if you thought it might finally be safe to do so. And you know what, you paragon of the rigid and inflexible? You might even be prone to exaggeration of that story if you were the type of person that, while generally honest and forthright, was prone to it. This does not invalidate the core of the story that contains all the enigma, does not make the individual witness a liar, and does not prove your case.

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That contradiction is entirely of your manufacture. It does not exist because you have so smoothly proclaimed it so. And your rhetorical exaggerating is _required_ to have all this shake down into the neat little piles you arbitrarily require.

>As for saying this tightly knit band wouldn't talk amongst >itself, but apparently had little compunction against talking to >a perfect stranger... well, we all like to have our cake and eat >it, too.

Remaining are the "red headed captains" that strut and threaten about something that "never occurred" Remaining are continuing admissions that 'something' weird occurred at Roswell, and each new confabulation is stupider than the last. Remaining is the increasing heat of the noisy negativist's argument of inexplicable denial when confronted with refutations of these arguments. Remaining... but others could make better lists, have been making them all along, and will continue to make them.

>I guess we should be thankful that, when the chips were down and >the press came calling, they really couldn't keep a secret,

...and you wouldn't either, hopefully; some secrets just shouldn't be kept. Given the astonishing abuses of the black ops folks, who aren't working for themselves, remember, appeals to national security, convenient new definitions of patriotism, and 'needed' erosions of our civil rights... et al, take on a whole new aspect.

>after all. Makes you wonder whether or not they served alcohol
>at all those reunions, doesn't it?

Forgetting that that was absolutely uncalled for and remembering that with your lot _everything_ must go in the triple 'M' box (Mad, misinformed, or misinforming), drinking alcohol does not make the aggregate user a liar, does not make that user hallucinate, and does not drive the user crazy. Ironically, it seems the person NEEDING a drink is you.

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 07:54:27 -0600 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:26:57 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 13:05:21 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

David,

Your boorishness is a thing of beauty. It's so dependable and exquisite that I have no hesitation in recommending it as a model for would-be boors everywhere.

For a perfect example of same, I hope everyone has gone back and read the links you posted, one of which I had posted earlier. In case they haven't, here they are again:

>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m27-029.shtml
>http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/CaptKimball.htm

Read carefully the Q & A exchange between Rudiak and Kimball which I arranged, and then tell me who's the Gentleman and who's the Boor here.

Kimball was willing to cooperate with Roswell investigators. One would have thought that Rudiak might have been curious and courteous at a minimum. But when Kimball wouldn't say what Rudiak wanted to hear, the latter's instincts to shoot the messenger took over. Notice how easily he slips into his typical snideness. After Rudiak's second or third allusion to swimming pools and golf courses, Kimball has understandably had enough and responds as follows:

"The primary reason I prepared the web site on Roswell was to provide what I thought was first hand information as to what did NOT take place at the Base Hospital in the summer of 1947. You call me a 'pretty minor character [who] personally knew a very limited amount.' If by this comment you are saying I didn't know what was or was not going [on] in the base hospital you are dead wrong. You have belittled me and demeaned me by your gratuitous remarks about my time at the golf course, swimming pool, and drinking hole. I like to think I performed my duties well and conscientiously - at least well enough to be promoted and given more responsible assignments at higher levels of command and complete over 20 years of active service."

Elsewhere Kimball says:

"Although I was 'only' a Captain at the time, it so happens I was the third ranking officer assigned to the Base Hospital. The Commander was a Major - Jack Comstock, we had a Lt. Col. by the name of Harold M. Warne who was our Dental Surgeon. I was senior to all the Captains assigned by date of rank. As I noted above my access to the base facilities was anything but limited. [Kimball had a Top Secret clearance.] Your assumption that much of my time was spent on the golf course or in the swimming pool is nonsense. I included reference to these activities only to illustrate that life was pretty normal in the summer of 1947 in Roswell, New Mexico. We were not obsessed with aliens from outer space."

Kimball went on to become a Professor of Political Science at the University of Utah. Rudiak, by all appearances and available evidence, went on to become a Professional Boor.

When I recently reintroduced Kimball to this List I described him as the second medical officer in command. I was working from memory. When I went back and reread his testimony I recognized my mistake and immediately corrected myself here.

But in Rudiak's world there is no such thing as an innocent mistake, so naturally I was accused to trying to inflate Kimball's credentials.

Kimball's credentials speak for themselves, and I hope everyone will go back and read his original remarks.

Rudiak would have you believe that they are immaterial, when the exact opposite is true, a concept that continues to sail over his head. Whether one agrees with them or not, they have to be considered and weighed in the context of claims made that the base was in a state of high alert and that alien autopsies were conducted at the base hospital. Kimball simply says that if either or both of these events had happened, he would have been aware of it/them by virtue of his position.

Take them or leave them, but don't totally ignore them, as Rudiak would have you do. Kimball's remarks are clearly material, as any court-appointed attorney could tell you.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: 'The Missing Times'? - Henry

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>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:42:30 -0600
>Subject: 'The Missing Times'?
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I am familiar with Terry Hansen, author of '"The Missing Times'. Minnesota MUFON had him come last September for a lecture on the complicity of the media in the UFO coverup. This is an excellent book on an important element of the UFO coverup.

Joel Henry

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Re: New Year Agenda - Randle

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Dennis -

This is really a very good point and one that I've thought about quite a bit. The answer, in part, is very simple and in part, very complex. First, the simple answer. The situation in 1947 was different than it was some thirty or forty years later when we all began to search from some information. In 1947 these men were trained in keeping secrets and that they were not supposed to share classified information with those who were not cleared to hear it. In, oh let's say, 1990, some of these same men, who had been out of the service for more than forty years, assumed, incorrectly, that much of what they knew was no longer classified and told what the knew. Pappy Henderson, for example, when he saw an article about the case in one of the supermarket tabloids, told his wife, "Well, since it's in the newspaper, I guess I can tell you about it now." His belief that it having been compromised permitted him to discuss it was, technically, wrong but it did provide him with an excuse for telling his wife a secret that, according to what she told me and Stan, he had been dying for years to tell her.

Others just didn't say much of anything. Patrick Saunders, for example, when I talked to him, made light of the situation and talked of (and here I hesitate to mention it only because of the recent discussions on this list), "Little green men". He meant it in the most derogatory way, suggesting that nothing had happened in Roswell, yet, he bought many copies of my books (thanks Colonel Saunders) and on the flyleaf wrote, "This is the truth and I never told anybody anything." He sent these to close friends and family, as a way of suggesting that the core story, of a crashed object and dead pilots, had some validity. This way he didn't violate his oath and didn't really reveal anything himself. I was lucky to get a copy of one of those statements, sent to me by a friend of Saunders who thought I should see it.

Edwin Easley was always very careful in what he said, telling me over and over that he had been sworn to secrecy. What he told me were the things that he didn't see as that important, such as Mack Brazel being held in the guest house on base, or the general deployment of his soldiers, but little in the way of detail about the actual events.

Sheridan Cavitt never revealed much at all, except to tell us things that were contradictory about his involvement and where he was in July, 1947. Interestingly, when I asked him what rank Rickett had been in 1947, Cavitt, said, "Well, our ranks were classified, but I guess it doesn't matter now," which, of course, was correct. Since Rickett was retired and would not be involved in anymore CIC investigations, it didn't matter that I learned he had been a master sergeant.

And, here, the only time I saw Cavitt get annoyed as he denied everything, was when I posed a question to him about the field he had walked and he asked, "Bill Rickett tell you that?" Rickett told people about what he had seen, and this annoyed the hell out of Cavitt. Rickett, by the way, should have known better, but I think, given what had happened to him during his life, was a little less reluctant to tell what he had seen.

So, it wasn't as if we all showed up at the reunions and these guys began to spill their guts. It was a process of learning what went on with little hints here and there. And, there is the real distinct possibility that some of those who told Kent it never happened, actually knew that it did, but were following the dictates of 1947 and keeping the secret, as they were required to do.

And others didn't talk outside of the family. Melvin Brown, for example, told his daughters about these activities, but didn't

talk to outsiders about them. We are left with the second-hand stories because we missed our chance to get the first-hand tales.

When you boil it down, the Roswell story, as most of us know it, that has come from military sources, was put together through multiple interviews with the men involved and their family members. Many of those military members were reluctant to talk, told a little bit about their involvement, but might have held back quite a bit more. I think here that these men just didn't want to lie to us and they didn't want to violate their oaths, and said the bare minimum they could. Most of us are basically honest and when confronted with a situation in which a bald-faced lie would extract us, try to weasel our way out of it. We try not to lie without revealing that which we know. Yeah, I can think of many examples in which people looked us right in the eye and lied their asses off. But, I think for the majority, it just wasn't quite that simple.

Cavitt, for example, lied his ass off. Even after he had talked to Colonel Weaver and they concocted that ridiculous interview in which Cavitt said he had picked up the balloon with Marcel (after telling me that he had never been involved in the recovery of a balloon), told me, after I described what both Rickett and Marcel said about him, "Well, that sounds like me, but I wasn't there." Looked me right in the eye and told me a lie that he had to know would be exposed as a lie in a few months (or maybe he didn't think the Air Force would publish the transcript of the interview).

So, it wasn't as if we showed up and these guys all told what they knew. We got bits and pieces of it and tried to fit it together into a whole. Sometimes we fit it together wrong and had to backtrack, trying a new way. Sometimes we caught a break and learned some very interesting things that we shouldn't have learned. Pappy Henderson's erroneous conclusion that he could now talk about it helped. Jesse Marcel, telling his buddies about this so that the story could be found helped. The hints from Easley, Saunders, Joe Briley, Walter Haut, and many others helped. The information from civilian sources such as Bill Brazel and Sheriff Wilcox's daughters helped. And the crap from Gerald Anderson, Glenn Dennis, Jim Ragsdale, and a couple of others certainly sent us in the wrong direction.

This is my complex answer to your simple question. It should suggest that this wasn't just a process of getting the information from the first contact, but a long and involved process which failed more often than not. It all goes back to the idea of how many we talked to who said they knew nothing or nothing happened in Roswell. Lorenzo K. Kimball comes to mind here. He was, not the second commanding officer, but the medical supply officer. He was not in a position to be involved and had no special medical knowledge that would have made his involvement necessary. That he knew nothing actually tells us nothing about the case (and I believe here, he became involved because he thought his friend, Jesse B. Johnson was being maligned... he knew that Johnson wasn't a pathologist as Schmitt and I had suggested and wanted to set that part of the record straight). Those who knew nothing were just eliminated, but there were lots of them. Others provided small hints and others, such as Marcel and Rickett provided some very detailed information.*

KRandle

* I am engaging here in what is known as work avoidance. I should be working on my science fiction novel (Oh, my God, Randle writes science fiction!) that is due at the end of the month, rather than answering, at great length, some of these questions... but hell, this is more fun than working on a novel.

KDR

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>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>List,

>Let me "trot" Lorenzo Kent Kimball out one last time. A >Professor Emeritus of Political Science at the University of >Utah, he died on June 10, 1999. Here's his obit:

>http://www.apsanet.org/PS/sept00/kimball.cfm

<snip>

>[Kimball] My response: I am at a loss to understand how you can >state that I had no clearance to the flight line or hangars. The >fact is, I had a Top Secret clearance and was very often on the >flight line and in many of the hangars for a variety of reasons, >including participation in training programs, familiarization >programs, and taking actual flights in different aircraft, >including training missions. Also, staff meetings were held by >Major Comstock for the express purposes of sharing information >about what was going on not only at the hospital but on the base >in general and to discuss any unusual problems. I did not >perform my duties, and there were many, in a vacuum.

Dennis, List, all -

Let me make a few observations here. First, a top secret clearance does not mean automatic clearance to see all top secret material. There is such a thing as need to know which disqualifies many who hold top secret clearances from getting into material that they have no need to know (At the risk of starting another thread, let me point out that Robert Dean's claim to have seen the cosmic top secret document about a UFO crash fails at this point... Dean had no need to know and shouldn't have seen the document, if it ever existed). So that fact that Lorenzo had a top secret clearance isn't all that important.

Second, he said that he was frequently on the flight line and in the hangars and I really have no doubt about it. The question I would have asked is if he had a "line" badge that allowed him access, what restrictions might have been on the line badge, and if, when he was required for his duties on the flight line of hangars, if he was escorted by someone else whose line badge didn't have the same restrictions. Well, I guess that's more than one question, but the point is that he might have been in the hangars and on the flight line frequently, but it could also be that he had to be escorted because to complete his duties did not require unlimited access to the flight line or the hangars.

Finally, I might point out that meetings held with the commander of the medical detachment didn't necessarily include everything that was going on at the base. The recovery of an alien craft, if that's what happened, could be accomplished without having to make it known to the medical supply officer, or other members of the medical staff such as the dentists, or most of the nurses. It would not be required that these activities be discussed in front of the full staff, so it is conceivable that Lorenzo might not have been involved and might not have had any knowledge of the events.

All of this is just my take on this, based on the information presented. I asked the questions of Lorenzo that I thought important, believed his answers to be accurate and truthful, and found little that was of relevance to the investigation of the case.

KRandle

(Who really should be working on the novel).

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Re: 'The Missing Times'? - Velez

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Hi Lan,

Tsk, tsk, you participate in the UFO UpDates forum but you do not tune in to 'Strange Days... Indeed.' The 'media' side of this e-mail forum is Errol's weekly UFO program, SDI. Just two weeks ago Errol replayed a program (that you can download and listen to at:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/sdi/program/

click on program number #166 Terry Hansen) which features the author of "The Missing Times" Terry Hansen, program host Errol Bruce-Knapp and myself, contributing editor.

Of all the many programs I have participated in over the years, I am proudest of having been a part of this one with Terry and Errol. Give it a listen. It is both informative and an 'eye-opener'. Feel free to comment on it on-List, if you wish.

Try to tune in, or record, 'Strange Days... Indeed' every Saturday night at 10 pm Eastern, at:

www.cfrb.com

Errol always goes out of his way to secure some of the most interesting people in ufology today to guest on the program. SDI is, bar none, one of the very best (dedicated) UFO programs available anywhere.

Regards,

John Velez, bi-monthly editor/contributor to, 'Strange Days... Indeed'

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Re: 'The Missing Times'? - Deschamps

From: Michel M. Deschamps ufoman@ican.net>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 23:56:59 -0500Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:43:44 -0500Subject: Re: 'The Missing Times'? - Deschamps

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Yes...

Errol had Terry Hanson as a guest, twice before already....

Cordially,

Michel M. Deschamps

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Re: New Year Agenda - Friedman

From: **Stan Friedman** <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:58:50 -0400 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:55:06 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Friedman

>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:14:48 -0600 >Subject: Re: New Year Agenda >From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 09:15:49 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>>The problem is, if the event took place and it was truly
>>classified, then those who were not involved would not be
>>expected to know anything about it. You simply do not discuss
>>classified material with those who are not cleared to hear it.
>>Yes, you can talk all you want about senators and politicians
>>compromising classified material, but we're talking about a
>>special unit that dealt with highly classified material all the
>>time. If a specific pilot was not involved and now claims the
>>event didn't happen because, if it had, he would have heard
>>about it, that just doesn't wash. No, there is no reason to
>>believe that he would have heard about regardless of who he was,
>>who his friends were, or what security clearances he might have
>>held.

>>I speak from experience here. I watched people get into trouble
>>for "talking out of school" and we weren't dealing with any
>>earth- shattering secrets. This refrain, that had it happened, I
>>would have known, is false and anyone who had dealt with
>>classified material and security clearances knows that.

><snip>

>>Krandle

>Kevin,

>Hasn't this situation ever struck you as, uh, well, a bit, shall >we say...incongruous?

>I mean, here's the most classified secret in the history of the >world, the greatest moment in human life -- and only a handful >of dedicated men sworn to secrecy know the truth. How then, pray >tell, did the public at large ever learn of it?

>This Band of Brothers doesn't know you, Friedman, Schmitt, >Berliner or any other journalist or ufologist from Joe or Adam, >and practically all you've got to do is show up in person, pen >and paper or videocamera in hand, and they seem only too willing >to spill the beans on the world's best kept (sic) Top Secret to >a complete outsider.

>I may be exaggerating a little for rhetorical effect, of course, >but I've always been curious as to how you've managed to >reconcile this apparent contradiction in your mind?

>As for saying this tightly knit band wouldn't talk amongst

>itself, but apparently had little compunction against talking to >a perfect stranger... well, we all like to have our cake and eat >it, too.

>I guess we should be thankful that, when the chips were down and >the press came calling, they really couldn't keep a secret, >after all. Makes you wonder whether or not they served alcohol >at all those reunions, doesn't it?

>Dennis Stacy

I must jump in on Kevin's side on this one. Dennis you haven't done your homework as to how the witnesses were found. I was the first to talk to many of them. They were not seeking me out. I was referred to Marcel by a TV station mangager while we were twiddling our thumbs waiting for a late reporter. He had seen the newspaper article about Marcel - July 8 PM papers all over -West of Chicago. When Marcel was in nearby Houma and he began talking over short wave radio he asked Marcel about it. He was told nothing. That was in the late 1940s. I was the first to talk to Haut. I had called the Roswell DR asking for their old editor - 1978.... Long gone."What do you need? Have an article here about Walter Haut at the base.... his wife works here!!!."

I located Dubose thru' the West Point Alumni group and called him. Remember Haut, Marcel, DuBose were all named in the flood of early articles. I sought the appropriate mortician from an old Physician; he referred me to one, he referred me to another, he referred me to Glenn and knew where he was. I got a phone listing for Bill Brazel a week after his first phone was installed. There was a great deal of other research... you know the kind that caused my phone bill to be hundreds of dollars a month

It appears you don't understand how security works or you wouldn't have published Kent Jeffrey's long ode to ignorance about security in the MJ. My 5 page response, requested by Walt, but not published, is on my web site at:

http://www.v-j-enterprises.com/sfpage.html

for those interested in the facts. Try Crash at Corona for some facts about how things got rolling.

Stan

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Walter Haut In His Own Words

From: Karl Pflock <<u>Ktperehwon@aol.com></u>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:46:08 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:58:04 -0500
Subject: Walter Haut In His Own Words

Fellow List Fiends,

Concerning the assertions being made about Walt Haut claiming to have had some sort of contemporaneous knowledge of bodies associated with the Roswell incident:

It's interesting that those advancing Walt as a credible "bodies witness" seem to think we should simply take their claims about what Walt has said in his videotaped interview with Wendy Connors at face value. I fully understand and respect Connors' commitment to honor Walt's request that their interview not be made public until after his death. However, while this embargo remains in place, any claims about what he said have no more evidentiary substance than rumors and serve only to befog an already befogged ufological atmosphere.

From the standpoint of those who care about the facts and truths of Roswell, Walt's claims should be made public while he's still around to be questioned about them. It's more than a little curious that those who are touting Walt's secrecy-cloaked testimony are seeking to protect Walt from probing questions while asserting they want every lead examined and followed and all witnesses questioned while they're still here to question.

It's time to urge Walt to allow his videotaped interview to be made public and make himself available for questions from Roswell-savvy researchers from across the spectrum of belief and hope about the case. After all, he's already permitted the interview to be shared with certain "friendly" ufologists, and he seems to have no qualms about discussing his story with interested acquaintances. "Going public" will not only serve the interests of Roswell research, but if Walt has any concerns about retaliation from the Keepers of the Roswell Secret, he couldn't ask for any better protection than being "out there."

Meanwhile, here's something worth considering when framing questions for Walt: On July 11, 1990, as part of the Fund for UFO Research's effort to gather and preserve first-person testimony from as many Roswell personalities as possible, Fred Whiting conducted a videotaped interview with Walt Haut. Here is one of the exchanges that took place during this interview, which was conducted well before Project Mogul first was suggested as the source of the "crashed flying saucer" (quoting from my book Roswell: Inconvenient Facts and the Will to Believe, p. 233):

"Whiting: Did the colonel [Blanchard] say anything about this incident shortly after General Ramey's statement? For instance, in [a] staff meeting?

"Haut: In the next staff meeting, which was about a week later--I believe we held them at that time every Monday--he made some comment about our agenda, what we were going to talk about. I believe after those comments he made some statement to the effect, 'We sure messed p on that one last week. As a matter of fact,' he said, 'that outfit that was sending those balloons up were here on our station. They were from White Sands, and they were checking the upper atmosphere winds from east to west.'"

Walter Haut In His Own Words

Of course, this couldn't have occurred the week after the incident, as Blanchard was on leave. However, the "Combined History, 509th Bomb Group and Roswell Army Air Field, 1 September 1947 Through 30 September 1947" includes this entry for Sept. 10: "Mr. Peoples, Mr. Hackman and First Lieutenant Thompson from Air Materiel Command arrived on the field to inspect Air Materiel Command installations and to confer with Lt. Colonel Briley."

James Peoples was the Project Mogul chief scientist. LTC Briley was the 509th's group operations officer. Clearly, Peoples and company were at RAAF to assure that the just-renewed New York University/Mogul operations at Alamogordo would not lead to any further misunderstandings.

-- Cheers,

KARL

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy</u>@altavista.com> Date: 2 Jan 2002 09:54:58 -0800 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 15:02:23 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 05:38:18 +0100
>From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

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Josh

Marcia Smith has made no statement regarding her recollection of events, except to James Oberg. Marcia is in a no-win position, and I doubt you will see her volunteering to talk any time soon.

The NPR segment with James Oberg and his long-time friend Marcia Smith is available at:

http://www.npr.org/ramfiles/totn/20011227.totn.02.ram

They do not talk about UFOs, or anything close. They are talking about the future of space - the space stations, possible Mars missions and other NASA make work projects.

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Re: The Roswell Debate - Meiners

From: Jean Meiners <legalco@uswest.net>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 11:09:21 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 15:06:04 -0500
Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate - Meiners

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com></u>
>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 23:05:19 EST
>Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>From: Lawrence Fenwick <<u>lawrencefenwick</u>@interactive.rogers.com>
>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 12:31:40 -0500 (EST)
>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>>Subject: The Roswell Debate

>>As a long-time ufologist, 48 years, I am amused by the many >>comments pro and con the reality of the Roswell case.

>>What a waste of time and energy!

>Dear Larry, List and Errol,

>I take exception to your position in the most severe manner. If >we adopt the same attitude as you suggest for Roswell, then >we may as well adopt the same attitude about any past event >for which there is minimal evidence. Which is to say, all the >events we speak about here.

>And if my mind is functioning properly (I think it is, as there >are no drugs, booze or other substances in my body with the sole >possible exception of Prilosec, Labetalol, Provachol and Tylenol >- all of which work so hard to correct [in proper order] my >stomach acid, blood pressure, cholesterol and the pain in my >head from reading to many silly posts here)... where was I? Oh, >if my mind is working properly and you are correct about >Roswell, then we may as well cash this List in. Errol, tell >everyone UpDates is passe'. Larry thinks researching Roswell is >a waste of time. Which means so is any other gardamned event. >Any one... as they all fit the character of Roswell by Larry's >standards.

>In fact, we should wait until the Government(s) tell us everything
>they know about UFO's and the abduction experience. Hah!
>That'll be what? When hell freezes over?

<snip>

List:

I normally do not respond to the List and the various strings composed on it... but, this time I have to agree with Jim in what he is saying.

There has been so much cover-up as far as the government is concerned regarding UFOs, aliens, etc., that if we all sit on our hands and twizzle, that will be the only thing that gets done. There is far more that has happened at Roswell and much still underground... whether it comes up or not isn't going to be dependent upon what our government does or does not do; but, instead what we ourselves do.

We just can't sit idly by and wait.....

God help us if we do!

Jean M.

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Re: New Year Agenda - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark</u>@frontiernet.net> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:40:26 -0600 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 15:07:48 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Clark

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:38:59 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:14:48 -0600
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>>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 09:15:49 EST
>>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

Robert and Dennis,

>>This Band of Brothers doesn't know you, Friedman, Schmitt, >>Berliner or any other journalist or ufologist from Joe or Adam, >>and practically all you've got to do is show up in person, pen >>and paper or videocamera in hand, and they seem only too >>willing to spill the beans on the world's best kept (sic) Top >>Secret to a complete outsider.

>When I was working on my Cold War History research I had people >who talked freely about classified things, and yet others who >would get vague and or change the subject once I drifted into an >area that was still classified or that they felt I was in a >still classified area. Some people had no problem talking with a >researcher long after the fact. Others did. One guy I spoke to >told me about what I found out later was a highly classified >project. He told me in two parts and let me 'make the >connection' between the two parts. Because both parts (stand >alone) were not classified _but_ if you mixed them it was highly >classified. He didn't mix them, so he felt he wasn't disclosing >classifed information.

An eminently sane rejoinder to a very strange argument from Dennis. You could fill a medium-sized library with books written by journalists, historians, and other researchers who have unearthed government secrets. In bringing them to light, they interviewed both persons who wouldn't talk and those who would, and it is on the strength of the latter's testimony that we know a whole lot more about 20th Century history, some of it still formally classified, than we would otherwise.

Where Roswell is concerned, one can argue either way (and any argument, con or pro, will highlight what it wants to while relegating to the sidelines what doesn't serve the case). But Dennis's particular objection to it reeks of, shall we say, less than profound reflection.

Jerry Clark

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Need A Number And A 'How Long?'

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 14:07:08 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 15:09:43 -0500
Subject: Need A Number And A 'How Long?'

Hello Fellow List-dwellers,

Does anyone know 'how many' signatures were finally gathered for the Roswell Declaration/petition? I'd also like to know how long it took them to accumulate that number of signatures.

Can't find anything useful on the web. H-e-l-p! ;)

Regards,

John Velez

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Oberg

From: James Oberg <joberg@houston.rr.com>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 13:34:26 -0600
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Here it is:

National Public Radio (United States) Audio file of this segment is at:

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This segment is from

Talk of the Nation Thursday, December 27, 2001

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Dan Goldin

*Former NASA Administrator

James Oberg

*Author of several books about space most recently Star Crossed Orbits: Inside the U.S.-Russian Space Alliance (McGraw Hill, 2001)

*Former, Space Engineer in Houston, TX (for 22 yearsspecialized in NASA space shuttle operations)

Marcia Smith

*Space Policy Analyst, Congressional Research Service (part of the Library of Congress--provides research and analysis for members of Congress)

*Former, Executive Director of the U.S. National Commission on Space (1985-86)

Eric Anderson

*CEO & President, Space Adventures, Arlington, VA (space travel & tourism company)

It's been a busy year in outer space. The shuttle 'Endeavor' recently returned from it's 12th trip to the international space station, 'The Mir' crashed into the Pacific, the first tourist was launched into space and the military used the GPS in the war in Afghanistan. On the next Talk of the Nation, Neal Conan talks with experts about what's planned for space in 2002.

JimO

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com</u>> Date: 2 Jan 2002 11:45:47 -0800 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 15:16:10 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 19:26:09 -0600

>I was just offering my own evaluation, with future detailed >exposition to be assigned a reasonable priority on my 'to-do' >list. Much of the relevant testimony remains 'not for >publication', since it seems to me those whose names have been >used by Grant Cameron appear to think it's a useless and >non-worthwhile exercise to try and change any minds, and my >arguments that it could be worthwhile were not persuasive. Since >faceless folks on the 'UpDates' mailing List do not dictate my own >prioritization, I can't even predict when I'll be able to make >an effort to successfully persuade the testifiers to do so in >public.

>Grant, that leaves you in control of the floor.

>Marcia Smith is the only one authorized to publish her views on >this question, and if she thinks the issue is too unimportant ->and too argumentative - to enter, I respect her judgment based >on 25 years of productive professional cooperation between us.

>You seem to seriously misperceive your status vis-a-vis my own >schedule of activities, interests, and priorities. What can you >do to motivate me to want to do any such research along these >lines?

Gees. This sounds like some funding proposal to spend a few billion dollars of government money. You could have just said, "I'm not talking!"

Unique situation. The hopeful top sceptic now knee-deep in the cover-up himself.

Grant

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Roswell 'Threads'

From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk> Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 19:45:16 +0000 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 15:19:01 -0500 Subject: Roswell 'Threads'

Errol,

The following comes from RPIT member Andrew Lavoie who is not currently an Updates subscriber but I hope will be in touch with you shortly to subscribe. I thought the content would be of interest to those still plugging away at the Roswell Event.

I have Andrew's ok to forward this to the List.

Neil

Hello *****,

I recently received a copy of Neil's response to you regarding Karl's quote and some of the items Neil has pointed to regarding the inconsistencies between the debris found in Ramey's office and the radar target explanation. I asked Neil, if he wouldn't mind me adding an additional response, and he indicated that you might be interested in some of my results. I hope you don't mind.

Before I get to far into this, I should tell you who I am. My name is Andrew Lavoie, from New Brunswick, Canada, and I have been working with the RPIT team for about a year and a half analyzing the photos in conjunction with my own research on the Roswell subject. Working in the engineering field, as an electronic/mechanical engineering technologist, I was very skeptical about the whole Roswell Incident and thought of it as a myth only, that is, until I came across Neil's research.

Most engineering types are natural born skeptics anyway, and we tend not to believe something unless we can measure it, feel it or smell it. Well, since we don't have the actual debris in hand, it would be difficult to analyze the debris using the latter two methods, but not impossible to measure what we see. You know the saying that a picture is worth a thousand words, well a slight variation to this is that a picture can tell us a very detailed story.

Using state of the art 3-D software, I have been successful at measuring specific debris items in the photos. One of the items I choose was the bottom of the stiffener attached to the panel leaning against Dubose's knee. The reason for choosing this piece was because I was able to obtain form Professor Moore the exact dimensions of the stiffeners, right down to the last mm. Using the width of the carpet strips as a reference point, it was possible to measure the end of the stiffener.

The results of the stiffener measurement from the photo can be best explained looking at the attached pics, which comprise of two sketches, the drawings of which are to a scale of 1:1. Based on Professor Moore's measurements, as indicated in Sketch #2 and actual measurements taken from the photograph in Sketch #1, it is very apparent that the panel with the stiffener cannot possibly be part of a rawin target made at that period in time. Roswell 'Threads'

This type of photo analysis adds support to the growing body of photo analysis by others indicating that the debris in the FW photos does not appear to support rawin target debris. That does not mean that the debris is from a alien space ship. It just means that the rawin target theory is losing it's credibility. However, as Neil has indicated, when you study the photos in detail, there is without doubt, items in the debris which appear to represent today's technology and not technology that existed in 1947.

I hope this information was of interest to you, and if you wish to respond, please do.

Best Regards,

Andrew Lavoie, CET

Images referred to can be found at:

http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freeserve.co.uk/images/rdb10.jpg

The stiffener, as it appears in the FW images.

http://www.thefortworthphotographs.freeserve.co.uk/images/ssketch.jpg

Andrew's comparison drawings.

Best Regards

Neil

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>Pappy Henderson, for example, when he saw an article >about the case in one of the supermarket tabloids, told his >wife, "Well, since it's in the newspaper, I guess I can tell >you about it now." His belief that it having been compromised >permitted him to discuss it was, technically, wrong but it did >provide him with an excuse for telling his wife a secret that, >according to what she told me and Stan, he had been dying >for years to tell her.

Just a note in support of the above. I can't speak from any experience in interviewing any of the Roswell witnesses, but I can speak from years of experience dealing with elderly and retired people.

When I lived in Albuquerque, I worked in home health. I had a large patient roster of retired military personnel. And the things that those men told me!! Things tended to come out mostly after I gave them the standard speech about information between nurse and patient being confidential.

Elderly people tend to reflect on the past events of their life. And they tend to want to talk about those events. I can fully believe that witnesses to whatever happened at Roswell in 1947 would, 40 years or more later, would be virtually "busting at the seams" to tell someone before they left this Earth. I don't find that motivation hard to believe, or inconsistent with observed behavior in your basic retired military man.

My two cents, for what it is worth

Bobbie

"The level of civilization of a people can be judged by the social position of its women." - Domingo Sarmiento

Re: New Year Agenda - Felder

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AS I WAS SAYING BEFORE I WAS SO RUDELY INTERRUPTED...

No need to get too wordy about it. As you can see, UFO Roundup is back. We're starting a new volume in a new year, and we're hoping for a slightly longer run than we had in 2001. I have a few more remarks, but I'll save them for the end. Right now, we have some phenomena to cover.

CESSNA DISAPPEARS IN THE LAKE MICHIGAN TRIANGLE

A small Cessna airplane, with four people aboard, disappeared over Lake Michigan in early December 2001.

"A search for four people, missing since their small rented airplane apparently plunged into Lake Michigan on Sunday," December 9, 2001, near Wilmette Harbor was suspended shortly after sundown Monday," December 10, 2001.

"The Coast Guard Group Milwaukee failed to turn up any sign of the missing single-engine Cessna aircraft that was carrying four people, including three licensed pilots, from Dayton, Ohio to Racine, Wisconsin."

"The Coast Guard identified three of the missing as Roger Licht, 61, of Kenosha, Wis. and husband and eife, Adam and Susan Bukowski, both 20, of Cudahy, Wis. The name of a third man, from Kenosha, was witheld pending notification of family members."

"A group of officers from the Chicago Police Marine Unit assisted Coast Guard helicopters and a utility boat in the 572-square-mile search" of Lake Michigan. "Coast Guard Auxiliary airplanes also participated."

"Coast Guard Lt. Cmdr. Todd Gatlin said a person could be expected to survive a few hours in the 45-degree (Fahrenheit) water depending on the type of clothing worn and the safety equipment at hand. Early Monday morning,

Gatlin said the reasonable point of survival, given the best-case scenario, had passed."

"Licht's son Marty said his father was a flight instructor with 30 years' experience."

"Adam Bukowski was a student of Licht's who had recently earned his pilot's license and was working toward a commercial rating, which would have allowed him to fly larger, commercial planes, Marty Licht said."

"The third man was a fellow pilot and a close friend of Licht's, and he had more than 20 years' of flying experience, Marty Licht said."

"Officials did not know who was at the controls of the plane at 6:18 p.m. Sunday" December 9, "when it lost contact with a control tower in Elgin," Illinois. "The investigation has been turned over to the National Transportation Safety Board."

"Coast Guard Lt. Richard Sundland said the plane was last spotted on radar at O'Hare International Airport" in Chicago "just after 6 p.m. Sunday. The plane was three to five miles (5 to 8 kilometers) east of Wilmette Harbor when it began losing altitude, dropping from 1,500 feet to 300 feet in less than a minute, Sundland said."

"The four people aboard the plane knew each other and were on a day trip to the U.S. Air Force Museum in Dayton, according to officials." (See the Chicago Tribune for December 11, 2001, "Plane search stops as hope fades," page 7.)

(Editor's Note: This is the latest in a long series of small aircraft that have vanished without a trace over Lake Michigan. For more, read The Great Lakes Triangle by Jay Gourley, Fawcett Gold Medal Books, New York, N.Y., 1977.)

TRIANGULAR UFO SEEN BY A MOTORIST IN OXFORDSHIRE

On Thursday, December 27, 2001, Sarah H. "was driving away from Wytham village, Oxfordshire, UK" on a two-lane country road "towards Botley Interchange, the road running parallel to (Motorway) A34, heading south, at 8:45 p.m."

"The UFO hovered west of the road, remaining in one position," Sarah reported, "The UFO was triangular in shape with one light at each point (corner). It was hovering above Wytham Wood. It was silent. It hovered for approximately four minutes, no higher than 200 feet above the trees. Its fuselage was dark."

Sarah added, "I have no pictorial evidence" of the encounter, and she feels a bit "nervous about being considered a loony." (Email Form Report)

LUMINOUS UFOS VIDEOTAPED IN SOUTHERN BRAZIL

On Wednesday, December 12, 2001, "a UFO was videotaped over the city of Araraquara," in the state of Sao Paulo in southern Brazil. "Several people in the Estadio Ferroviaria in the bairro (district of) Ponte saw 'an object of great luminosity that appeared to have little deviation from its course and altitude as it passed over the city. It disappeared as mysteriously as it forst appeared.'"

Two days later, on Friday, December 14, 2001, "a UFO was filmed over the satellite city (suburb) of Samambaia," near Brazil's national capital of Brasilia, at about 9 p.m. "The object was described as a brilliant white light making circular maneuvers in the sky."

News media contacted CINDACTA (Brazil's NORAD--J.T.) but a spokesman said the agency had seen nothing unudual on their radar screens. (Muito obrigado a Eustaquio Andrea Patounas por esos casos.)

MAJOR UFO FLAP REPORTED IN MEXICO CITY

UFOs dominated the skies over Mexico City and its suburbs last week.

On Saturday, December 15, 2001, at 3 a.m., an AeroMexico Boeing 727 jetliner encountered a glowing UFO over the city of Toluca, near Mexico City. According to Mexican ufologist Alfonso Salazar, "The radars of the control towers at the airports in Toluca and Mexico City detected the intruder at an altitude of 12,000 feet and circling the metropolitan region. An airport official, using binoculars, described the UFO as 'a circular, unusual object' which 'caused great excitement among the air traffic controllers.'"

On Sunday, December 16, 2001, at 7:30 p.m., Pedro Hernandez grabbed his videocamera and began shooting color footage of a UFO flying over the small town of Metepec, near Toluca. According to Hernandez, the UFO "presented bright lights at each corner of its triangular form. The front (of the UFO) was a reddish color but without any lights. The UFO darted about swiftly in the night sky, and we videotaped it for several seconds before it went flying off in the direction of the volcano (Mount) Popocatepet1. The object became lost in the haze of the horizon."

On Monday, December 17, 2001, a UFO "shaped like a sombrero (hat) and with three protuberances on its upper half was seen by various eyewitnesses in the area of Tasquena," another suburb of Mexico City. "According to reports, the UFO flew freely in the skies above the Distrito Federal, ascending and descending up to 200 meters (660 feet) during a period of ten minutes."

On Tuesday, December 18, 2001, at 10 a.m., "several fiery UFOs were seen hovering in the skies above Popocatepetl. Witnesses in Cuernavaca, in the state of Morelos (nearby) said they saw five gleaming UFOs above the volcano."

According to Mexican ufologist Amado Marquez, "the UFOs moved about individually, and witnesses identified five of them during a five-minute viewing period. They were last seen crossing the sky in a triangular formation."

On Wednesday, December 19, 2001, at 1:20 p.m., eyewitness Javier Guevara videotaped an oval UFO freely moving through the sky above Ciudad Nezahualcoyotl," a suburb just east of Mexico City. "The UFO was described as 'an obscure color and presented a dome in the center of its upper surface, with a small protuberance on its lower surface, alternately slowing and accelerating at a dizzying velocity."

Guevara said he videotaped the UFO for four minutes before it disappeared into the eastern horizon. (Muchas gracias a Alfonso Salazar y Eustaquio Andrea Patounas para estas noticias.)

UFO SIGHTED IN YONKERS, N.Y.

On Wednesday, November 28, 2001, at 9:30 p.m., Patrick R. "went outside for a smoke" at his home in Yonkers, N.Y. when he spotted "a UFO moving very slowly upward. I just happened to look up and saw a green line, fairly bright, in a vertical position.. The line seemed to grow and shrink, on and off. The amazing part was how thick the cloud cover was that night. It had to be pretty bright to come through those clouds."

"Anyway, at one point, a plane flying towards the light made it 'go out' or disappear, as we on the ground were able to tell."

"Minutes later, it returned for another interval of maybe five to ten minutes. Another witness told me it seemed to be 'moving like a caterpillar...the bottom would get fatter, then it would get taller, then it would move upward.'"

"I did manage to catch most of the image on my camcorder because it stayed around so long." (Email Form Report)

FAMILY OBSERVES UFOS IN RED BANKS, MISSISSIPPI

On Friday, December 21, 2001, at 12:30 a.m., Jeremy S. and his brother "were in the street" in Red Banks, Mississippi (population 500) "and we saw two bright balls in the sky. The first two were seen to the north. They looked low. We thought they were flashlights at first. We ran up the street to get a closer look."

"When we reached the top of the hill, about 10 bright balls rose from behind the trees to the east. We watched them move north and west towards the first two balls we saw. They stopped to form a motionless triangle, and they held this position for about ten seconds." "Then individual UFOs would move out and then back into the formation in straight lines. This lasted for about 15 seconds. After this, they all broke formation and moved slowly to the west. They reached a flashing towers and flew back and forth near it. They changed their lights from bright to dim about every 25 seconds. Two dim UFOs flew into a bright UFO and disappeared within it."

"We ran back and got our father, and we went back to the spot down the road where we could see the flashing tower. All the bright-ball-type UFOs were still there. My brother, my father and myself watched the sky for about five more minutes. When we got within a mile of the tower, they all started to fly slowly away in different directions."

Jeremy estimated that the glowing UFOs were "about as high as a passenger aircraft (30,000 feet) and all were slow-moving."

Red Banks is just north of Highway 78 about 40 miles (64 kilometers) north of Oxford, Miss. (Email Form Report)

A BRIEF WORD FROM YOUR EDITOR:

When I first began the UFO Roundup back in February 1996--a time which will undoubtedly go down in history as the era of "the JonBenet Simpson bombing"--I treated it as sort of a lark. It wasn't until Volume 1, Number 12 that I began to have some idea of the newsletter's impact on the UFO community not only in the USA and UK but worldwide.

However, it wasn't until May of 2001, when I was forced to put a halt to the newsletter because of serious vision problems that I truly began to realize just how important UFO Roundup has become. Following the hiatus announcement, I was literally floored by the number of emails from readers and well-wishers. It left me stunned, grateful and, most importantly, humbled by your expressions of thanks and encouragement.

I had the operations in August and October, and my vision has improved to the extent that I can again do the work of writing and editing the newsletter. So we are off again in our quest for information about UFOs, aliens, strange disappearances, vile vortices, out-of-place animals, time warps, weird paleontology, lost civilizations, unusual sects, spontaneous combustion, angel hair and other skyfalls and anomalous phenomena of every kind catalogued by Fort.

Looks like the Almighty has given me the green light. I only hope that I prove worthy of the trust you readers have placed in me.

Join us again next week for more UFO and paranormal news from all over the planet Earth, and occasionally elsewhere in the solar system, brought to you by "the paper that goes home--UFO Roundup." See you then!

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u> Date: 2 Jan 2002 13:07:15 -0800 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 17:17:44 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 01:20:14 EST
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg@houston.rr.com></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 08:17:40 -0600

>>Smith appears not to remember it this way.

>This is the impression I have had. As I asked before when this >story surfaced, as _anybody_ including the principles telling or >repeating the story _ever_ gotten any kind of confirmation from >Smith in the form of email, letters or whatever. I suspect what >Smith remembers and what Sheehan remembers are two totally >different storys.

Here is the story. Oberg has talked to her about it, but Oberg dares not speak lest he cast Marcia Smith adrift in a leaky life boat.

Marcia Smith has never spoken publically on what she told Sheehan about the Bush/Carter affair, nor about what files she made available to Daniel Sheehan to view in mid 1977. She has not spoken publically on the two reports Sheehan claims were authored for President Carter. Marcia has said NOTHING, despite an rumors you may have heard.

Daniel Sheehan has spoken many many many times about his involvement. See story told to MUFON-LA:

http://www.mufonla.com/sheehan.ram

See story told to Jeff Rense:

http://playlist.broadcast.com/makeram.asp?id=546600

See story told to Strange Days... Indeed:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/sdi/sdiarchive/sdi093.ra

Also see Strange Days...Indeed Interview Transcript:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/2001/jul/m16-015.shtml

Sheehan told parts of the story to convention in Santa Clara and in Laughlin Nevada in September 2001. He told his story to Art Bell, but you have to pay to hear it. I believe Sheehan told his story at the May 9th Disclosure news conference in Washington.

>>Oh, the old 'underground vault' and 'crashed saucer photos'
>>again - how many people have we heard jumping on this
>>look-how-important-I-am story?

http://www.ufoupdateslist.com/2002/jan/m02-034.shtml[10/12/2011 09:41:51]

>Last I heard Sheehan is backing off this story. If he in fact >is, it will be another one on the Ufological junk heap.

Sheehan has backed off nothing in his story. He has reservations about the constant questioning of his story that leads to new questions about his story. He also had reservations about my E-mailing Marcia Smith, based I believe, on the tone of my letter. As far as I am aware, he has never refused an answer to a question posed to him on this story, in an interview, or following any lecture he has given.

Grant

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:40:52 -0600 Fwd Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 17:22:59 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys@brunnet.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:58:50 -0400

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>I must jump in on Kevin's side on this one. Dennis you haven't >done your homework as to how the witnesses were found. I was the >first to talk to many of them. They were not seeking me out. I >was referred to Marcel by a TV station mangager while we were >twiddling our thumbs waiting for a late reporter. He had seen >the newspaper article about Marcel - July 8 PM papers all over ->West of Chicago. When Marcel was in nearby Houma and he began >talking over short wave radio he asked Marcel about it. He was >told nothing. That was in the late 1940s. I was the first to >talk to Haut. I had called the Roswell DR asking for their old >editor - 1978.... Long gone."What do you need? Have an article >here about Walter Haut at the base.... his wife works here!!!."

Stan,

Please help yourself, but I think you're kind of missing the point here. I never suggested that the men of the 509th called you first, that you and others (assuming you're willing to share any of the Limelight, of course) didn't seek them out for their testimony.

My point, which isn't all that subtle, is this:

Time and again you have said that the 509th consisted of hand-picked men who could keep a secret. Compartmentalization, need to know, and all that. Yet when you reach them by telephone, they seem to display little hesitation in being quite talkative about their experiences.

So which is it: were they tight-lipped or not? You can't have it both ways.

Nor can you claim that they wouldn't have talked among themselves at reunions, only to start singing when you gave them a ring. Why would they share secrets with someone they couldn't have known from Adam, but not with each other? Maybe this makes sense to you and Randle, but it doesn't to me. I'm still waiting to be enlightened.

>I located Dubose thru' the West Point Alumni group and called >him. Remember Haut, Marcel, DuBose were all named in the flood >of early articles. I sought the appropriate mortician from an >old Physician; he referred me to one, he referred me to >another, he referred me to Glenn and knew where he was. I got a >phone listing for Bill Brazel a week after his first phone was >installed. There was a great deal of other research... you know >the kind that caused my phone bill to be hundreds of dollars a >month

No one's trying to detract from your accomplishments. I'm asking a very simple question: why do you think these people sang to the first researcher that came calling? Figuratively speaking, of course, and civilians excepted.

>It appears you don't understand how security works or you >wouldn't have published Kent Jeffrey's long ode to ignorance >about security in the MJ. My 5 page response, requested by Walt, >but not published, is on my web site at:

>http://www.v-j-enterprises.com/sfpage.html

>for those interested in the facts. Try Crash at Corona for some >facts about how things got rolling.

Hmm, would you mind telling us again how security works in MJ? Is it anything like it works in the 509th? Which, seemingly, is not at all.

I'm tempted to say you don't know how human nature works. You seem to think there's a system that insures security, when nothing could be further from the truth. It's the system and the people in it, which means there are no guarantees because no system can absolutely prohibit Individual behavior.

Exhibit A: 'When Betrayal and Paranoia Are Part of the Job' in today's NY Times editorial page, about Robert Hanssen's selling of FBI secrets. According to the author, Tom Mangold, Hanssen sold his country out not for crass cash, but for "peer approval".

Exhibit B: Songbirds of the 509th?

Dennis

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 04:54:14 -0600

>>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:14:48 -0600
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 09:15:49 EST
>>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>><snip>

>>>The problem is, if the event took place and it was truly
>>>classified, then those who were not involved would not be
>>>expected to know anything about it. You simply do not discuss
>>>classified material with those who are not cleared to hear it.
>>Yes, you can talk all you want about senators and politicians
>>>compromising classified material, but we're talking about a
>>special unit that dealt with highly classified material all the
>>time. If a specific pilot was not involved and now claims the
>>>event didn't happen because, if it had, he would have heard
>>>believe that he would have heard about regardless of who he was,
>>>who his friends were, or what security clearances he might have
>>>held.

>>>I speak from experience here. I watched people get into trouble
>>>for "talking out of school" and we weren't dealing with any
>>>earth- shattering secrets. This refrain, that had it happened, I
>>>would have known, is false and anyone who had dealt with
>>>classified material and security clearances knows that.

>...Carrying coal to Newcastle, I know, but as a career officer
>(retired) I can concur with Dr. Randle.

>>Kevin,

>>Hasn't this situation ever struck you as, uh, well, a bit, shall
>>we say...incongruous?

>>I mean, here's the most classified secret in the history of the >>world, the greatest moment in human life -- and only a handful >>of dedicated men sworn to secrecy know the truth. How then, pray >>tell, did the public at large ever learn of it?

Gentlemen,

Anyone ever hear of the 'newspapers?' As far back as Kenneth Arnold the 'UFO' phenom has been covered in the press by local papers and local media. How many times over the years have people right here on this List quoted from headlines that go as far back as 50 + years. The 'tradition' is being carried on today electronically by guys like our own EBK, George Filer, and Mark Davenport, et al. _That's_ how the 'people' found out. It had nothing to do with gubbamint leaks. UFOs have _never_ been a 'secret'. What has been sorely missing all this time is official confirmation. That confirmation is the 'Big Secret' that has been successfully kept for better than half-a-century. And it wasn't always so.

There are documents that show that in the late forties the Army Air Force did take UFOs seriously. Studied them. Visit the Project 1947 website, the Black Vault, Bruce Maccabbee's site, there are UFO-related FOIA released government documents galore at those sites. I honestly don't know why anyone needs any more than that to have a tangible connection between the U.S. government and the study/coveting of UFOs and information that relates to them.

Sherlock Holmes stated that best place to hide something is out in the open, in full view. All the gubbamint UFO policy makers have ever had to do is; to substitute _public_ridicule_ and _private_ coercion_ for _official/public confirmation_.

The rest is history. Our history!

>I believe it likely that even that small handful (given the >probable large number of that handful), if they were a remotely >smart handful at all, would plainly realize "the most classified >secret in the history of the world, the greatest moment in human >life..." flatly _couldn't_ be kept. The trick would be to >release it in such a way that the aggregate communication is >corrupted, or otherwise discredited. In this way they can >confuse and obfuscate the issue, maintain their unctuously >plausible deniability, and hide in plain sight.

Amen, and Mr. Lehmberg, Mr. Holmes and I, rest our case in plain view and in 'official' black ink on paper. :) We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to guys like Stan Freidman and all the others who have obtained all this documentation at their own expense, through their own efforts, and dedicated hard work. A tip of the old 'Hatlo Hat' to them all. :)

Regards,

John Velez

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>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:40:26 -0600

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>Where Roswell is concerned, one can argue either way (and any >argument, con or pro, will highlight what it wants to while >relegating to the sidelines what doesn't serve the case). But >Dennis's particular objection to it reeks of, shall we say, less >than profound reflection.

>Jerry Clark

Jerry,

I'm not the one arguing that secrets are so easily kept. I think you have me confused with... Stanton Friedman.

I'm making the same observation you and Gates are: it's patently obvious that there are all sorts of leakers or willing talkers out there, else we wouldn't know as much about many things as we do.

I just want Stan to admit same, and, having done so, lighten up on his never ending assertion that of course secrets can be kept, as if the mere presence of rules for secret keeping insured success.

If it did, no one from the 509th would ever have admitted to being involved in the recovery of alien bodies. Since they did, it's patently obvious that having a system of compartmentalization, need to know, and/or whatever in place is no guarantee that secrets will remain safe.

It's not really that difficult a concept to grasp. I'm sorry if it seems to be giving you trouble.

Dennis Stacy

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>AS I WAS SAYING BEFORE I WAS SO RUDELY INTERRUPTED...

Welcome back Joe! Glad to hear that the old eyeballs are back in service. ;) Between you and George Filer the UFO community is kept right up to date on all the latest doings. Your work (and you) are greatly appreciated by us all.

Congrats on the good news, here's 'looking' at you! ;)

Best,

John Velez

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>>I considered writing an article about the "busted" leads which >>would incorporate all those people we talked to who had nothing >>to say, but then, really, where is the story? A witness who saw >>nothing, heard nothing and did nothing is not a witness.

>Kevin,

>Really? Depends, doesn't it? See Kimball's comments below.

Hi Dennis, List and others interested -

First, I really am engaging in way too much work avoidance here. The novel just isn't getting written (but then I'm kinda stuck for the moment so this isn't all bad).

Yes, it certainly depends, but then again, who wants to read that Sergeant John Smith, an MP at Roswell said that he heard nothing about the flying saucer crash. Sergeant Smith, as an MP, should have been in a position to see, at the very least hear, something, but he didn't...

Of course, at the other end of the spectrum is Major Edwin Easley, the provost marshal who hinted that something had happened. So, now, what do we do? Report that many people on the base said that nothing happened? Or do we acknowledge that there are many who saw and heard nothing and concentrate on those who did see something. Which would be the more productive line of inquiry?

So, I guess, I fully stipulate that there are hundreds of men and women who were assigned to the base in 1947 and who knew nothing about the retrieval, whether a weather balloon, a Mogul balloon or a space craft.

>>>How many other Roswell witnesses haven't been heard from because >>>they didn't have any tale to tell? Lorenzo was, I believe, the >>>second commanding medical officer at the hospital at the time. >>>Had bodies been brought in, he would almost undoubtedly have >>>been aware of them.

>>This really makes very little sense. Roswell witnesses who had

>>no tale to tell? What then, makes them witnesses? Yes, they
>>might have been assigned to the base, but if not involved in the
>>recovery (Mogul or otherwise), and they have nothing to
>>contribute, then what should we report. I thought we had made it
>>clear that the majority of the soldiers assigned to the base saw
>>nothing and heard very little.

>It makes perfect sense, Kevin. If someone wants to insert alien >bodies into the Roswell story, it's logical to drive them >through the base hospital. (Even Glenn Dennis knew that much.) >When someone who was at the hospital at the time says no such >thing happened, it makes him a witness to the counterclaim that >no alien bodies passed through Roswell. I don't see what's so >hard to understand. At the very least, it means you have to find >another path for the bodies. Or explain why a person in position >to know, in fact didn't know.

Actually, I think we can debate about whether he was in a position to know because, according to the documentation he was neither in a command function nor was he a doctor. He held no position that would have required his expertise, and he controlled no office that would have been required for anything to happen at the base hospital. In other words, he could have been kept out of the loop, tell us seriously and truthfully that nothing happened, and still be wrong.

>As Kimball put it: "The primary reason I prepared the web site >on Roswell was to provide what I thought was first hand >information as to what did NOT take place at the Base Hospital >in the summer of 1947."

And to split a rather fine hair here, it might be necessary to point out that what he reported was his observations but that they weren't all inclusive. Things could have happened at the base hospital to which he was not privy. Given his duties and his expertise, there really is no compelling reason for him to have been involved in this, especially if it took place over the July 4 weekend when most everyone would have been celebrating the 4th. There just is no compelling reason to call in the medical supply officer even if he was the senior captain in the hospital.

>>I don't know what a second commanding officer might be other >>than an executive officer and the information I have, from both the >>yearbook and the telephone directory suggests that Lorenzo was >>neither. That doesn't negate what he says, only that he was one of >>many medical personnel assigned to the base in July 1947.

>Here's how Kimball put it: "Although I was 'only' a Captain at >the time, it so happens I was the third ranking officer assigned >to the Base Hospital. The Commander was a Major - Jack Comstock, >we had a Lt. Col. by the name of Harold M. Warne who was our >Dental Surgeon. I was senior to all the Captains assigned by >date of rank. As I noted above my access to the base facilities >was anything but limited." Kimball had a Top Secret clearance.

All of which is interesting, but irrelevant to the discussion. He was the medical supply officer which didn't put him into the command function. That he was the senior captain at the hospital is interesting but irrelevant. He was not a doctor. While he was certainly assigned to the base in July, 1947, and certainly in and out of the hospital, I will note that in 1947 (and contrary to what Glenn Dennis would have us believe) the base hospital was a collection of buildings scattered over a couple of acres. It is conceivable and probably likely that what went on in one portion of the hospital might not have been known to those in other buildings in other areas.

And, the fact he had a top secret clearance is also irrelevant because he would have had to establish a need to know. Possession of a clearance does not grant access to everything classified top secret. There were undoubtedly many top secrets on the base that he didn't have access to because there was no need to know.

>>>As near as I can tell, however, Roswell investigators have yet >>>to beat a path to his door.

>>So, I looked at his website and talked to him on the telephone.
>>I followed up with additional questions and moved on. I reported
>>what he said as it related to Jesse B. Johnson. What more would

>>you have me do?

>I don't know. Maybe completely reconsider or disavow the source >who told you (or was it Schmitt) that Johnson conducted the >autopsy of an alien body at the base hospital in the first >place? Give the late Kimball an entry in the next edition of the >Roswell Encyclopedia?

I was attempting not to place blame on this, but it was Schmitt who said that Johnson was the base pathologist and he knew because he had looked him up in the Compendium of Medical Specialties. After Schmitt blew up, I went and looked. It was quite clear that Johnson had been a pathologist for most of his medical career, but it was also quite clear that he hadn't taken the training until after he left the service, a fact Schmitt had to know but failed to mention. This is what I reported in the Roswell Encyclopedia and the reason that the entry is still there.

As for the Encyclopedia, when I submitted it, I was told to cut 80,000 words... yes, eighty thousand. Hell, that's a book in itself, so some things I had included were left out. And no, before you ask, there was no entry for Kimball in the original version but only because he said nothing happened, based on his observations and I covered what I thought needed covering in the entry on Johnson.

KRandle

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From: James Oberg <<u>joberg</u>@houston.rr.com> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 17:07:30 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 02:48:57 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Oberg

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>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>Here is the story. Oberg has talked to her about it, but Oberg >dares not speak lest he cast Marcia Smith adrift in a leaky life >boat.

That's your story, and I'm satisfied that on those features which I'm personally acquainted with, you're just making it up as you go along, and I see no present value to trying to influence anybody willing to believe your version, so as I said, you have the floor.

It may be that people decline to cooperate with you because the trait of making up things and attributing them to others - which you have just done in this specific instance - may occur in other cases too.

Your friend,

Jimmy

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Filer's Files #01 - 2002

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FILER'S FILES #01-2002 MUFON Skywatch Investigations George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern January 2, 2002, <u>Majorstar</u>@AOL.COM. Webmaster Chuck Warren <u>http://www.cewarren.com</u>

HAPPY NEW YEAR

UFOS HAVE BEEN REPORTED in New Jersey, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Washington, Canada, Scotland, Belgium, France and New Zealand. The number of UFO reports dropped as they have done in recent years during the Holidays. Most of the December reports occurred on December 1, when a Russian Proton rocket reentered the atmosphere over the US Middle West. However, many of the more than 40 sightings did not seem to be the space debris. There are indications that more than a dozen UFOs were inside our atmosphere throughout the US and Europe that night. Sightings in 2001 remain high similar to the year 2000 with more than 2,500 reports each year in the US alone. UFO reports have steadily increased over the last five years. Most sightings are reported over the Internet indicating a fairly high level of sophistication for those able to use the Internet and find reporting sites. The increase in sightings may be attributed to the increase in Internet usage. However, the average report takes thirty minutes to fill out, so those making the reports are convinced they saw something very unusual and very important. This filtering process helps rule out hoaxes, mundane stars, satellites, aircraft and the like.

QUESTIONS FOR SCIENTISTS

Dr. Bruce Coronet sent me a list of questions for scientists to ponder. Here are a few to ponder.

1. Are scientists and journalists aware that much of the research staff on a pivotal government-funded study of UFO evidence - the Condon Committee - resigned or were fired when they challenged its director's intention to report a pre-ordained conclusion that all UFO sightings can be explained in mundane terms?

2. Are scientists and journalists aware that the chief scientific consultant in the Air Force's Blue Book study of UFOs later characterized the project as a publicity maneuver to mollify the public, himself convinced by the evidence he saw that genuine, unexplained aerospatial phenomena are in our midst?

3. Are you aware that reports of these two government-funded, now-discredited studies - the Condon Committee and Project Blue Book - are the primary reasons why most scientists and journalists have dismissed UFO evidence as pseudoscience?

4. Are scientists and journalists aware that hundreds of thoroughly credentialed pilots and military officers have officially documented sightings of structured craft demonstrating motions possible only through gravitational propulsion, and that some of these sightings are accompanied by radar records? Editor's Note: I happen to be one who intercepted a UFO at the request of London Control and had the structured object on my radar. Four hundred government employees are prepared to testify before Congress under oath that UFOs are real as part of the Disclosure Project.

NASA TO SEEK EARTH LIKE PLANETS

Robert Roy Britt reports that NASA's Kepler satellite mission will study 100,000 stars to search for other potentially habitable planets. NASA gave the final necessary green light Friday to the Kepler mission. The space agency also approved the Dawn mission, which will orbit the two largest asteroids in our solar system. Kepler will be the first spacecraft devoted to the search for Earth-sized planets around other stars and an important step toward finding life elsewhere in our galaxy, if it exists. Both missions are part of NASA's Discovery program. The decisions mean the missions will now be funded and planning and construction can begin. Each is slated for launch in 2006. The Kepler satellite will orbit the sun and study some 100,000 stars for four years, looking for planets that are similar in size to Earth and in similar orbits around their stars. Only planets with orbits in this so-called "habitable zone," where it is not too hot and not too cold, could have liquid water, scientists say. And liquid water is seen as a necessary ingredient for life as we know it. "This will be the first mission that ought to be able to produce a census of Earth-sized planets in the habitable zones around other stars," said David Morrison, a member of the mission's science working group at NASA's Ames Research Center, which will oversee the project. Current ground-based searches typically find only very large planets that orbit very close to their host stars and almost certainly could not support life. About 80 of these so-called extrasolar planets have been found. Thanks to Space.com and Robert Roy Britt

NEW JERSEY BALLS OF LIGHT

The witness reports, "On Sunday, December 23, 2001, I think I saw a UFO. I was driving on the Garden State Parkway when I saw four big, dull balls of light in the sky. I'm pretty sure the lights were not coming from the ground such as a searchlight, because I didn't see a line of light coming from the ground. The lights kept separating and then coming together again. I'm also pretty sure they were moving in the same direction as our car because we were driving at about 70 mph for fifteen minutes and the UFO was right above the car the whole time. I drew a picture that shows how the lights were moving. Thanks to MUFON HQ and RabbitSc8

WISCONSIN CYLINDRICAL OBJECT

NEWTON/CLEVELAND -- CHRIS B reports. I was driving to work in Sheboygan from Manitowoc on December 26, 2001, and as I approached the wayside on I-43 just north of Cleveland I spotted what appeared to be an UFO above the wayside. At 6:26 AM all that was visible were three white lights in a row. I could almost make out the body of the craft, but with it being early morning visibility was minimal. The object didn't blink or make any noise that I could hear over the sound of the car engine and road noise. The object was stationary when I first saw it and stayed stationary as I drove past to the south. I would estimate that the object was between 300 to 500 feet in altitude and was about the height of a radio tower. When I drove past this area on my way home, I looked for any towers that I could have mistaken for the object, but there was none anywhere the object flew that morning. I'm sure there were other witnesses since the Interstate was full of morning commuters. Thanks to UFOWisconsin and jenny@ufowisconsin.com (Jenny Hoppe)

http://www.ufowisconsin.com/county/reports/r2001_1226_manitowoc_.html

MINNESOTA FLYING TRIANGLE

DULUTH -- A large Flying Triangle craft, about four times the size of a stealth jet was seen while two men were driving north on Highway 53, thru the northern suburb of Hermantown on March 5, 2001. The Flying Triangle was dark, but the color seemed to be a gray silver color with a light on each corner and one in the center from 9:30 to 10:00 PM. The craft crossed the highway

from the left side, moving to the right. It was moving very slowly, almost hanging over the highway for a while. One of the men thought that it should be moving faster and be out of site when compared to commercial planes. It was a little higher than treetop level, about a block high. They pulled the car over to the side and stopped to listen. There was no sound coming from it. It continued drifting slowly until it went past a bunch of trees and then it suddenly either took off extremely fast or just disappeared. It was angling in the direction of the Duluth Air Force Base, which has been officially closed for quite some time. I think there are Air National Guard fighter jet operations there now, since the September 11, attack. The unidentified craft was triangular shaped, except in the back. It wasn't a straight line like a true triangle, but was indented some. Thanks to <u>Fire2@cpinternet.com</u> (Bonnie)

ARKANSAS BLUE LIGHT

On Monday, December 24, 2001, at 7:00 AM, Mike was starting to feed the animals on his farm. He was checking the goats when he saw a blue Ball of light at tree top level, headed south to north and then disappear. Mike said, "Almost looked like it was over our lower farm. I've been busy so this is the only time I can get this sighting out to you. Thanks to mike <u>alucard90@webtv.net (mike stephen)</u>

OKLAHOMA NEW YEAR'S EVE SIGHTING ...

TULSA - JONES/RIVERSIDE AIRPORT -- Rich Edmunds writes, on December 31, 2001, I was on the first floor roof of my job site, taking my regular coffee break checking out the sky as I often do, when I saw a red light about 30 degrees off the north horizon. It was moving very slowly to he south at 11:40 PM CST, At first I thought it was probably a helicopter since I see them often enough from this location. However, the light did not blink on and off like even a helicopter light would. It only flickered when it changed at all. It made no sound that I could hear and when helicopters are around I do hear them. I turned away for no more than five seconds and when I looked back, there was a second light, this one white, not as bright moving a bit faster from west to east. On a 2-D drawing, it would have been lower than the red light. It was moving slow enough and at a position that I have trouble believing that I would not have seen it before turning my head. It is as if it came from nowhere (or maybe from the red light)? I watched it for maybe 30 seconds before it just went out. This got me very excited. I continued watching the red light as it moved closer until it was about 45 degrees off the horizon. I noticed that it was no longer red but more of a copperish orange color. I am almost positive that it came to a complete stop (it moved so slow that it was often hard to tell if it was moving at all) and then began to move easterly for about 30 seconds and then it suddenly dimmed to the brightness of a dim star and then went out altogether.

I watched for two more minutes but neither light reappeared. I then had to go back to my work duties. The moon was nearly overhead and was behind a thin layer of clouds. It had a slight ring around it. I could see what I think was the planet Jupiter with no problems. Now here was a small band of heavier clouds between the moon and the part of he sky where the lights were but I am 90% sure that the lights did not disappear due to clouds. These lights were not satellites as they were much too bright and I have never seen a red satellite. I don't think I have ever seen a light act in such a manner. I celebrated my 45th birthday on New Year's Eve and this certainly was a fine and unexpected present from someone or something. Thanks to Rich Edmunds Edmunds@kjrh.com

WASHINGTON NEW YEARS EVE UFO

KENNEWICK -- Today is January 1st, 2002, last night at 10:00 PM, K.. Colman along with three adults and three children, got the opportunity to observe the presence of three unexplainable lights. He reports, "They put us in nothing short of complete amazement! I first saw one beautiful light that was traveling in a somewhat upward yet horizontal direction. It first came into my view when it rose above the peak of our shop in our backyard. I quickly went into my home and alerted my family and friends. We all gathered on the deck of my home and saw in the sky three beautiful golden colored lights that reminded me of Filer's Files #01 - 2002

big gold Christmas bulbs. Each object seemed to be Gold in color, circular shaped about the size of a quarter, held at arm's length, with a white light on each one. All three unidentified objects looked to be identical.

As we watched in amazement they rose to a position almost straight above us. They moved in a very smooth way, at a very moderate speed they hovered over head for seven to ten minutes before the first light suddenly went straight up and disappeared, just that fast. Then the next light moved to what looked like the exact place in the sky, and did the same thing. This light faded away then reappeared and then quickly disappeared in a straight upward direction. Then, the third light also moved to the same place in the sky and, it too, disappeared into the sky in a straight upward direction. It was simply mystifying, and totally captivating! I have never seen anything like this in my life it was so exciting, I simply cannot put it into words how completely awesome this sighting really was! The kids thought it was cool. However, the four adults that witnessed these things are just blown away! What a great experience! We will never forget this New Years celebration that is for sure! Thanks to K. Coleman Kt0424@aol.com

SCOTLAND UFOS FILMED

EDINBURGH -- Andrew Hennessey reports that world shattering footage was shot on a Digicom at night by Steve X an associate of Russell Penman on Sunday, December 23, 2001. The footage clearly shows three massive motherships over the estuary beside the city of Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland. The ships one half to one mile long [best guess at this time] are elliptical, clearly curved at the front -- the front terminating in three giant headlights. The two hours of substantial Digicom footage clearly show one many windowed, and many layered mothership issuing forth bright shiny pod shaped ships or beings glowing white. Over the course of the two hours -- these ships are disgorged by the mothership in clear focus as they fly off in twos or in formation or singularly over the City of Edinburgh and its suburbs. There are two other ships of similar configuration further off in the distance. This wonderful footage is of earth shattering significance, but also comes by way of several other amazing photographs and other stills by the Penman 'group.'

This is the clearest evidence I have ever seen that Alien life has a massive social engineering program for the human race. We could not clearly see the other two ships doing the same -- as the light capsules were tiny in proportion. The other two ships were decloaked simultaneously -- in the drop zone of the Lothian's. On top of other fabulous daytime footage by Brian Mac Phee also of the forth valley at Stirling, near Edinburgh. Central Scotland is again confirmed as one of the hottest hotspots on the planet. Over the piece, I watched hundreds and hundreds of little lights fly out of the mothership at all levels of the structure, sometimes hanging back so the others could catch up, they flew and scattered in all directions over the sleepy Capital of Scotland - a city which anciently was once thought of as a Jerusalem with its seven hills and its Masonic connections and secrets. We are not alone. Thanks to Andrew Hennessey <u>pegasus@easynet.co.uk</u> Transformation Studies Group.

BELGIUM AND FRANCE NEW UFO WAVE

On January 1, 2002, Jeff told me during his radio show about the considerable upswing in UFO activity in Belgium and France, including the Flying Black Triangles. (I'm a regular guest on the Jeff Rense's Radio Show, the first Tuesday of the month.) Jeff Rense reports that the Flying Triangles are back in Europe, particularly in Belgium and France! In 1989 and 1990, the Flying Triangles were reported almost nightly.

In mid-October a young lady reported a UFO in the Avioth area of northern France. The very dark, square shaped UFO had four lights, one at each corner. Last month, UFO sightings became widely reported on the TV news and popular newspapers, reporting that "A new wave is hitting Belgium." One of the more popular Belgian papers, "La Derni=E9re Heure" (The Last Hour) on December 19th featured a detailed report by one of its noted writers, Gilbert Dupont, about the return of the triangles, with new reports of blue lighting on the underside of the craft, as well as orange and yellow. Belgian TV interviewed two young men in Namur, who reported a very close encounter with a silver, cylindrical shaped UFO. Triangles are being reported with varying lighting structures; red, green and blue lights, as well as UFOs that are orange in color. Many of the Belgian UFO organizations believe the Flying Triangles are US military related considering the presence of SHAPE (Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe), in Brussels, Belgium. The craft cause vibrations that rattle windows and dishes. They are described as huge flying buildings, possibly two triangles stuck together. Thanks to Jeff Rense who has a detailed report on his web site at Rense.Com.

NEW ZEALAND LARGE PULSATING LIGHT OBSERVED

GISBORNE, NORTH ISLAND -- On December 29, 2001, Lawrence, writes that I was on our computer at home online, when my wife who was outside opened our front door and asked me to come and have a look at something in the sky. As soon as I got outside it didn't take long to catch sight of the large light overhead at 7:43 PM. My first reaction to this object in the sky was in reference to its speed, size, and brightness. Having personally seen numerous lights in the sky during a UFO flap over Gisborne, New Zealand in 1976; I knew what we were looking at in the night sky was unusual. The object/light was larger than the planet Mars (which was also visible). It was definitely pulsating in brightness, set against the backdrop of a clear sky with a full moon to the east. By the time I was called by my wife Kathleen, the object was directly overhead, and took between 30 seconds and one minute to disappear over the southern horizon. I even jumped on top of our fence to watch the object as long as possible. During the whole time of observation, the object's speed remained constant and in one direction. It may not have gone in a perfect straight light across the night sky, but its direction did not deviate. The apparent size of the object somehow concerned me. My wife, not normally interested in things in the sky above, was quite elated and curious during this observation. To me its varying brightness caught the eye. I waited during the sighting to see a color change, but none occurred. However as stated above, its size stood out compared to other objects; i.e., stars/planets. I checked up at (heavens-above.com) for other known objects in the sky at that precise time. Nothing seemed to match this object we had seen. We would both like to know what such a bright/large object in the night sky could have been? In addition, what travels at the speed this thing was doing? LATITUDE: 38.65S LONGITUDE: 178.00E. Thanks to Chuck Warren -

TEXAS RESEARCHER ASKS FOR HELP

Bill Clark, I'm writing to ask for your comments on some research I have done, presented in full on my web site at http://www.inviticus.com. I was dismissed post haste from the Ph.D. program at the University of Texas at Austin a week ago (yes it was the day before Christmas), and I believe it is because of my research into the UFO enigma. I am appealing this decision, and would appreciate your support by signing the Guest Book on my web site. My theory is that the UFO's achieve lighter than air capability by virtue of a chemical derivative of Freon. You may recall Freon was banned worldwide a few years ago because it was shown to damage the ozone layer. Yet, Freon is four times heavier than air ~ how can it make it many miles into the upper atmosphere to interact with the ozone there? I believe it does so by virtue of reacting with something in the air, which then renders it ultra lightweight.

An aircraft, which is not affected by gravity, could do everything we know UFO's to do. I am an international expert in energy conservation, and have for many years protested the Freon Ban because the new "ozone safe" Freon is 25% less efficient than Freon-12. My efforts have met with such extreme resistance from the highest authorities in government and in the engineering societies, that in recent years I have sought some explanation for their behavior. I believe the banned Freon is still being manufactured in massive quantities (obviously it is, because the ozone hole doubles year to year even with the Ban in effect), and that the government and industry knows about it, and what it is being used for. I have all the details on my web site, along with my credentials and other supporting evidence. I hope you have a chance to visit, and especially to leave your comments in my Guest Book. Thanks and best wishes for a wonderful New Year, Bill Clark Lagos Vista, Texas http://www.inviticus.com, sfoperations@mindspring.com (Bill Clark, P.E.)

SPIELBERG'S "TAKEN" IS CAST

Michael Moriarity and Eric Close have been cast in The SCI FI Channel's Taken, from Steven Spielberg and DreamWorks is an upcoming original miniseries scheduled to air during the fourth quarter of 2002. The 20-hour miniseries, which started production in September in Vancouver, weaves together the stories of three families over three generations and their roles in the history of alien abductions. In addition to Moriarity (Law & Order) and Close (Now and Again), the cast will include Willie Garson, Anton Yelchin, Ryan Hurst, Chad Morgan, Rob LaBelle, Catherine Dent, Tina Holmes, Steve Burton, Julie Benz and Joel Gretsch. Principal photography continues through the end of May 2002. Leslie Bohem wrote all 20 hours of Taken and production will commence in Vancouver. The miniseries will interweave the stories of three families and their experiences with UFO abductions. Burton will play Randall Keys, a World War II fighter pilot who encounters strange lights in the night sky while on a mission over Germany. Benz will play Kate Keys, Randall's wife, who is forced to raise their son alone as Randall struggles to cope with his abduction experience. Thanks to Robert Collins.

CANADA INVESTIGATIONS

TORONTO -- Lawrence Fenwick writes, "I've seen five UFOs, three of which were multiple-observer events." One was seen in broad daylight in 1996. All were in the city of Toronto. I retain physical evidence from three UFO incidents, none of which were from my sightings. One was from northern California, one from Israel, and another from Don Mills, Ontario, a Toronto suburb. The California and Israel artifacts came from cases investigated by police officers. All evidence has been tested in private or university laboratories. All were declared non-terrestrial in the way in which the constituent elements were combined.

This does not eliminate the possibility that some scientific, intelligence agency and military people working together may be responsible for most, if not all, abductions, with the use of mind control techniques and advanced technological devices, using creatures genetically engineered to appear non-human. The Don Mills, Ontario item was an implant 1.5 by 1 mm. in size, consisting primarily of aluminum, titanium, and silicon, all of which can be used in a transducer, according to an engineer at Panasonic in Mississauga, Ontario. The implant was removed surgically in a hospital in 1988 and, after almost immediate preliminary lab analysis at the University of Toronto, was analyzed completely at an industrial laboratory in Mississauga. It had been implanted by some entities that seemed alien. It was placed in a lady's left earlobe on the night of July 12, 1961, For three years, she heard what she called periodic buzzing signals "like Morse code" in her left ear. They gradually faded away. Many years later, she gave lectures about UFOs, stating that they and the creatures associated with them were extraterrestrial and meant no harm. Was this propaganda instilled in her to condition her audience to a particular point of view? The earlobe was still a bit swollen at the time investigators from CONFORM were in touch with her in 1986. The lady passed away in 1992 at age 74. Due to ridicule of the UFO topic, we call her Betty Stewart. Her son has threatened to sue me if her real name is published as he is afraid of ridicule in case anyone reads her real name and finds out he is her son. Thanks to Lawrence Fenwick

http://interactive.rogers.com/lawrencefenwick/doc

NEW NASA SHUTTLE VIDEO OF UFOS IN SPACE

Jeff Challender has prepared a new tape of various UFOs that were caught on recent Shuttle video footage. Jeff has over a hour-long tape of UFOs shot in space. Jeff spends hundreds of hours watching the shuttle broadcasts from space and is now an expert on NASA missions and even those onboard the shuttle are unlikely to see what Jeff does. Using Jeff's directions you will be able to learn the difference between space junk, ice crystals and real UFOs. I feel confident we could go into a Filer's Files #01 - 2002

court of law and convince any jury that there are UFOs moving at high speed around the Earth. Send \$25 to: Jeff Challender 2768 Mendel Way - Sacramento, California 95833-2011 Jeff has an operation his back and is still in pain, we ask you to send your prayers.

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From: Steven Aftergood <<u>saftergood</u>@fas.org> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 14:52:41 -0500 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:03:50 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/02/02

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BUSH REJECTS INTELLIGENCE REPORTING REQUIREMENT

In the latest assertion of executive branch predominance, President Bush dismissed a provision in the FY 2002 intelligence authorization bill that would require written reports to Congress of "significant anticipated intelligence activities" and "significant intelligence failures."

In a December 28 signing statement, the President said that the new requirement "falls short of the standards of comity and flexibility that should govern the relationship between the executive and legislative branches on sensitive intelligence matters...."

He said he would interpret the law "in a manner consistent with the President's constitutional authority to withhold information the disclosure of which could impair foreign relations, the national security, the deliberative processes of the Executive, or the performance of the Executive's constitutional duties."

See the President's statement here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/news/2001/12/wh122801.html

Intelligence community procedures for granting legislative branch access to intelligence information are set forth in Section 8.0 of Director of Central Intelligence Directive 1/19, "Security Policy for Sensitive Compartmented Information and Security Policy Manual":

http://www.fas.org/irp/offdocs/dcid1-19.html#leg

TRUTH ABOUT WEN HO LEE MAY "NEVER BE KNOWN"

A newly published Senate report on the Wen Ho Lee espionage case found fault with all concerned and concluded that "the entire truth will likely never be known."

"As a consequence of an inept investigation, the government has lost the credibility to claim that its version of events is the absolute truth, " the report stated.

Moreover, "Some of the most controversial and misquided steps in

the case appear to have been motivated more by a desire to protect the affected agency's image than the national security."

On the other hand, "Dr. Lee also lacks the credibility to tell the definitive tale of this case: he repeatedly lied to investigators, created his own personal nuclear weapons design library without proper authority, copied nuclear secrets to an unclassified computer system accessible from the Internet, and passed up several opportunities to turn his tape collection over to the government."

The report was prepared for the Subcommittee on Department of Justice Oversight of the Senate Judiciary Committee. It was cleared for public release by the FBI on December 19 and entered into the Congressional Record on December 20 by Sen. Arlen Specter, who chaired the Subcommittee.

Unlike the "Bellows Report" on the Lee case, which was released last month in heavily censored form, the Senate report encompasses the full duration of the controversial case, up to and including its conclusion in a September 2000 plea agreement.

While the report in large part duplicates what has been previously been reported, it also includes some provocative new information and analysis.

The new report provides the fullest account yet of Wen Ho Lee's disputed December 1998 polygraph test, which he passed, according to an Energy Department contractor, or did not pass, according to the FBI. Lee "definitely did not pass," the report concludes somewhat peremptorily, finding that the questions posed during the test were insufficiently precise.

The report also includes new details of Lee's nine-month pre-trial confinement under arduous conditions and states that the government's conduct of the case "raises questions as to whether the harsh tactics were intended to coerce a confession."

Although Wen Ho Lee's "onerous" incarceration "has not been adequately explained," the subcommittee took pains to rebut allegations that the conduct of the case was motivated by racial or ethnic bias.

Finally, the report speculates at length as to what might have occurred if the Wen Ho Lee case had actually proceeded to trial.

"Although the government would likely have won a conviction because many elements of the charged conduct were not disputed -- Dr. Lee could not credibly deny that he had made the tapes containing vast quantities of classified nuclear weapons data -this would not have been an easy case," according to the report.

The "Report on the Government's Handling of the Investigation and Prosecution of Dr. Wen Ho Lee" may be found here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_rpt/whl.html

The Bellows Report on the Wen Ho Lee case, as released in declassified form, is now available in large PDF files on the Justice Department web site here:

http://www.usdoj.gov/ag/readingroom/bellows.htm

Two new books on the case are to be published this month: Wen Ho Lee's own "My Country Versus Me" and "A Convenient Spy" by reporters Ian Hoffman and Dan Stober.

A federal appeals court on December 28 reinstated former Department of Energy official Notra Trulock's claim that the FBI illegally seized his computer files in retaliation for a magazine article he wrote critical of the FBI's handling of Chinese espionage. See the decision here:

http://cryptome.org/trulock-v-fbi.htm

PETER LEE ESPIONAGE CASE CRITIQUED

Another Senate report that critiqued the investigation and prosecution of Dr. Peter Lee was also released on December 20 by Senator Arlen Specter. Peter Lee confessed in 1997 to

transferring classified nuclear weapons information and anti-submarine warfare information to China.

"Dr. Lee's confessed crimes caused serious harm to U.S. national security, yet he was offered a plea bargain which resulted in a sentence amounting to one year in a half-way house, 3,000 hours of community service and a \$20,000 fine," the Senate report stated.

"Considering the magnitude of Dr. Lee's offenses and his failure to adhere to the terms of the plea agreement which called for complete cooperation and truthfulness, the interests of the United States were not well served by this outcome," according to the report.

The case is analyzed in detail in "Report on the Investigation of Dr. Peter Lee," which may be found here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001 rpt/peterlee.html

CHINA IN SPACE

"It won't be long before Chinese are walking on the moon," according to a December 3 article in Jiefangjun Bao, the People's Liberation Army daily.

Under its latest Five Year Plan, China will undertake "preliminary research on manned flight and lunar exploration," among a variety of other ambitious space programs. See:

http://www.fas.org/spp/guide/china/bjb031201.html

AL-ZAWAHIRI'S "LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT"

The memoirs of Ayman al-Zawahiri, leader of Egyptian al-Jihad and chief lieutenant to Osama bin Laden, were recently excerpted and serialized in the London-based Arabic paper A-Sharq Al-Awsat.

The volume, entitled "Knights Under the Prophet's Banner," is a rather tiresome compendium of personal reminiscences and exhortations to battle against the infidel. But it also provides occasional insights into the fanatic mind.

The published excerpts, as translated by the CIA's Foreign Broadcast Information Service, may be found here (under "Sources and Resources"):

http://www.fas.org/irp/world/para/jihad.htm

UK RECORDS RELEASE ANNOUNCED

The British Government's Public Records Office announced its annual unsealing of 30 year old records on January 1.

The meager highlights of the Public Records of 1971 are described here:

http://www.pro.gov.uk/releases/nyo2002/default.htm

CONTROLS ON PRESIDENTIAL RECORDS DENOUNCED

The new Bush executive order that curtails public access to presidential records was critically examined by historian Stanley Kutler in a Chicago Tribune op-ed on January 2.

"If his action stands, Bush will have substantially shut down historical research of recent presidents," wrote Kutler, who is one of the plaintiffs in a pending lawsuit that seeks to overturn the executive order. See:

http://chicagotribune.com/features/lifestyle/chi-0201020122jan02.story

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 17:18:31 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:05:50 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:18:05 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>Dennis,

>Hate to mention this, but if you truly understood how government >and classified material is handled you would have realized that >this is not correct.

>For example most people would _assume_ that because the Vice >President of the United States is number 2 man so to speak and >he should/would know everything just because of his position. >The fact is that the Vice Presidents only know what they have a >need-to-know. Harry Truman as VP of the US had no knowledge of >the Manhatten project, yet many people might 'assume' that he >should have/would have known or have knowledge just because of >his position. In one of the books on the Stealth project either >Clarence Kelly or Ben Rich, they mentioned that the chain of >command for this highly classified compartmentalized project was >from the Skunk works, to a one Star AF general, to Secretary of >Defense, directly to the President. Supposedly cut out of the >chain on this was the Vice President, Joint Chiefs and a host of >other military people that people would _assume_ would have >knowledge.

Robert,

Every situation is different. James Nance Garner, Truman's predecessor, famously referred to the Vice-Presidency as not being "worth a bucket of warm spit." Which it pretty much wasn't in 1947.

Do you seriously think Dick Cheney is in a similar position today? Out of the loop, as it were?

>The other great myths are just because a person has a 'Top >Secret' security clearance, or is cleared for higher access, in >fact means they are entitled to read and know everything about >the project they are working on. This is totally bogus. Even >with a clearance, you are only allowed to access document that >it is determined that you have a need-to-know.

No one said anything about Kimball reading documents. Do you think that if Roswell had been on high alert and that alien bodies were brought on base to be autopsied that only one or two medical personnel would have been called out to handle the situation?

Your examples are abstract ones that have nothing to do with a fluid situation on the ground, unless you want to come up with some reason as to why Kimball wouldn't have been included in any significant call up of personnel. Any guesses?

Remember, we're not talking about him having access to documents after the fact. We're talking about why he wasn't involved at the time if such a dire situation was indeed truly unfolding. >It is likely that many people at the Roswell air base (including >highly decorated, higher ranking people, had absolutly no >knowledge about what happened because they did not have a >need-to-know and were not told.

>Bottom line is just because a miltary person doesn't know, >doesn't mean it didn't happen. Likewise if a military person is >'quiet' about something it may mean he had no knowledge or it >may mean he knew all about it and felt duty bound by his >security clearances.

I have never said or suggested that because Kimball didn't have any knowledge of alien autopsies that bodies were ipso facto never recovered at Roswell. What I have maintained all along is that his testimony needs to be considered in the context of claims to the contrary. I hate to keep repeating myself, but what is so difficult to understand here?

>Also keep in mind that a so called lower ranking person and or >lessor person on the chain of command totem pole may in fact >know much more because they were cleared, where as higher >ranking officers or leaders were not cleared. Just because a >person is or was not cleared for a particular subject doesn't >make the person bad or evil, he or she just didn't have a >need-to-know and was not cleared.

Understood and kept in mind. But again, we're not talking about a hypothetical, post facto situation here regarding the reading of classified documents after the fact. We're talking about breaking events. When Truman was swept up by the latter, he was properly and promptly notified of the existence of the atomic bomb.

If Roswell had gone on high alert and several alien bodies had been brought to the base hospital, don't you think there's at least a possibility -- if not a downright likelihood -- that Kimball would have been made aware of same, indeed, alerted to participate?

And if not, why not? That's pretty much all you need concern yourself with in this specific context.

Vice-president Truman ain't got nothing to do with it.

And as Jerry Clark would say, it's Manhattan Project, not Manhatten.

Cheers,

Dennis

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Re: New Year Agenda - Friedman

From: **Stan Friedman** <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:31:28 -0400 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:15:07 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Friedman

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:40:52 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:58:50 -0400

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>>I must jump in on Kevin's side on this one. Dennis you haven't
>>done your homework as to how the witnesses were found. I was the
>>first to talk to many of them. They were not seeking me out. I
>>was referred to Marcel by a TV station mangager while we were
>>twiddling our thumbs waiting for a late reporter. He had seen
>>the newspaper article about Marcel - July 8 PM papers all over >>West of Chicago. When Marcel was in nearby Houma and he began
>>talking over short wave radio he asked Marcel about it. He was
>>told nothing. That was in the late 1940s. I was the first to
>>talk to Haut. I had called the Roswell DR asking for their old
>>editor - 1978.... Long gone."What do you need? Have an article
>>here about Walter Haut at the base.... his wife works here!!!."

>Stan,

>Please help yourself, but I think you're kind of missing the >point here. I never suggested that the men of the 509th called >you first, that you and others (assuming you're willing to share >any of the Limelight, of course) didn't seek them out for their >testimony.

I must again point out that Haut, Marcel, DuBose, Ramey, Blanchard were all mentioned in July 1947 articles about a crashed saucer. Blanchard died in 1966. Ramey after that. The others could hardly deny they had been involved. None of them were in command positions about such an event. I can see no reason why they would have been informed about the disposition of the wreckage, the bodies or anything else. They each talked (at least 30 years later) about their roles in the story for the brief time they were involved. Whether they each kept back some or a lot of information we have no way of knowing.

I had located Cavitt, way back when. His name had not appeared in the press coverage. He lied, misrepresented, etc for years. I had located Easley. He wouldn't respond to my written material, and, as Kevin has noted, was very careful about what he said. He could hardly deny, because of his position (unlike Kimball) being involved at all. He, too, had not been named publicly and would have, like Cavitt, had an important role to play.

>My point, which isn't all that subtle, is this:

>Time and again you have said that the 509th consisted of >hand-picked men who could keep a secret. Compartmentalization, >need to know, and all that. Yet when you reach them by >telephone, they seem to display little hesitation in being quite >talkative about their experiences. >So which is it: were they tight-lipped or not? You can't have it >both ways.

Of course we can. They could hardly deny being involved. Marcel wouldn't tell the TV guy anything back in the late 1940s. Remember none of these guys knew much if anything about what Bill Moore, Kevin, myself and others were digging up from other people. None when first talked to expected Roswell to become a household name.

Irving Newton, also mentioned in the early stories, could hardly deny involvement. But he sure lied, as did Cavitt, after being briefed by Col. Weaver et al. I see no reason to think they were not very careful about what they said about their day to activities involving nuclear weapons, target locations etc. Flying saucer wreckage hardly had any relveance to their day to day activities.

As I mentioned in my comments about Kent Jeffrey, B-29 pilots hardly had a need-to-know about flying saucer wreckage. It would not make them better pilots. Most secrets come out long before thirty years. Pappy had indeed told his WW 2 Bombardier for 30 missions over Europe about it at a reunion in the early 1980s. He had told his close friend Dr. John Kromshroeder, on John's honor as a former navy officer, in the late 1970s.

General Exon told me that he did not have a need to know for everything ahppening at WPAF even when he was base commander. I mentioned that Officer Madson had one job at WPAF that was so classified his own boss didn't know about it..

Don't forget about the guys who were kciked out of the 509th before they left for Tinian becaus they talked about working on some secret project at bars where government spies heard them. None of them even knew it involved nuclear weapons. But their being shipped out was a good lesson for those left in the outfit.

>Nor can you claim that they wouldn't have talked among >themselves at reunions, only to start singing when you gave them >a ring. Why would they share secrets with someone they couldn't >have known from Adam, but not with each other? Maybe this makes >sense to you and Randle, but it doesn't to me. I'm still waiting >to be enlightened.

Who says any of them attended reunions? Their limited involvement was already known if they had been at reunions. I was at the 50th reunion of the 509th in Wendover. None of our Roswell guys were.

>>I located Dubose thru' the West Point Alumni group and called
>>him. Remember Haut, Marcel, DuBose were all named in the flood
>>of early articles. I sought the appropriate mortician from an
>>old Physician; he referred me to one, he referred me to
>>another, he referred me to Glenn and knew where he was. I got a
>>phone listing for Bill Brazel a week after his first phone was
>>installed. There was a great deal of other research... you know
>>the kind that caused my phone bill to be hundreds of dollars a
>>month

>No one's trying to detract from your accomplishments. I'm asking >a very simple question: why do you think these people sang to >the first researcher that came calling? Figuratively speaking, >of course, and civilians excepted.

Just what singing did they do? It was many months after I talked to Marcel and then Vern and Jean Maltais before Bill Moore talked to Hughie Green's family to find the date when he heard radio broadcasts while driving across the country. (Green's article was in FSR)

Bill then went to the Periodicals Dept. at U. of MN and found the many stories. This gave an independent verification to the Marcel story and provided us with many names. Loren Gross informed us of something he found about a Sheridan Cavitt, that enabled us to find him. Of course I could suggest that my background credentials (nuclear physicist who had worked on many classified programs) and my persuasive manner immediately convinced them to try hard to recall events of a long time ago. Kevin's background in military intelligence probably helped convince some people to talk a bit to him. It obviously didn't convince Cavitt. Mrs. Cavitt quietly told Bill Moore while Cav was out of the room that "he was told not to say anything". Bill had mentioned finding Cavitt at MUFON in Toronto before he had spoken to him... No choir...

>>It appears you don't understand how security works or you
>>wouldn't have published Kent Jeffrey's long ode to ignorance
>>about security in the MJ. My 5 page response, requested by Walt,
>>but not published, is on my web site at:

>><u>http://www.v-j-enterprises.com/sfpage.html</u>

>>for those interested in the facts. Try Crash at Corona for some >>facts about how things got rolling.

>Hmm, would you mind telling us again how security works in MJ? >Is it anything like it works in the 509th? Which, seemingly, is >not at all.

Again there is no basis for saying security didn't work in the 509th. Just how many articles were there, aside from Frank Edwards' grossly distorted version, about Roswell before the publication of The Roswell Incident in 1980? It didn't take that long to get out the code breaking work at Bletchley Park.

>I'm tempted to say you don't know how human nature works. You
>seem to think there's a system that insures security, when
>nothing could be further from the truth. It's the system and the
>people in it, which means there are no guarantees because no
>system can absolutely prohibit Individual behavior.

Nobody said there were any guarantees. That the DCI had a black budget of \$26.6 Billion in 1996 indicates that security works pretty well. Yes there have been a number of spies who sold out. Pretty tiny fraction of those who had access.

>Exhibit A: 'When Betrayal and Paranoia Are Part of the Job' in >today's NY Times editorial page, about Robert Hanssen's selling >of FBI secrets. According to the author, Tom Mangold, Hanssen >sold his country out not for crass cash, but for "peer >approval".

>Exhibit B: Songbirds of the 509th?

Haven't seen any concert announcements.Nor many documents released other than from the FBI in the 1970s no less.. thanks to Bruce Maccabee

>Dennis

By the way did you read my piece on Kent Jeffrey? It deals with a number of the points being raised here.

Stan Friedman

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Re: 'The Missing Times'? - Fleming

From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5@houston.rr.com></u> Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 19:18:07 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:17:39 -0500 Subject: Re: 'The Missing Times'? - Fleming

>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic</u>@verizon.net>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 11:36:50 -0500
>UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: 'The Missing Times'? - Velez

>Hi Lan,

>Tsk, tsk, you participate in the UFO UpDates forum but you do >not tune in to 'Strange Days... Indeed.' The 'media' side of >this e-mail forum is Errol's weekly UFO program, SDI. Just two >weeks ago Errol replayed a program (that you can download and >listen to at:

><u>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/sdi/program/</u>

I will try to remedy that oversight ASAP. I got broadband a couple months ago, and I hope it will make the cyber-listening experience a little more pleasant than it was with my 56K modem (which always behaved more like a 16K modem).

Thanks for the reviews of the book, too. The excerpts I read on the web site seemed well-written and lucid.

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Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:41:18 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:35:07 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 07:54:27 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 13:05:21 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>Your boorishness is a thing of beauty. It's so dependable and >exquisite that I have no hesitation in recommending it as a >model for would-be boors everywhere.

Dear Dennis,

Your hypocrisy is also things of beauty.

Perhaps Dennis could explain why he earned the nickname "The Hyena" during his stint as editor of the MUFON Journal. It wasn't boorish me who hung that title on him. Maybe it had something to do with his attack-dog, grenade-throwing, impulsive, petulant, flippant, snide, sarcastic, and insulting side that he frequently displays here on UpDates, such as this very post attacking me as a "boor". It is so "dependable and exquisite", that it practically invites "boorishness" in response.

>For a perfect example of same, I hope everyone has gone back and >read the links you posted, one of which I had posted earlier. In >case they haven't, here they are again:

>>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m27-029.shtml
>>http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/CaptKimball.htm

Yes, everybody please read them, so that you can better understand my so-called "boorish" response to Kimball, which was really a lengthy, detailed response to Stacy's posting of Kimball's Web page remarks. I thought I was being critical but honest in my assessment of Kimball's various statements and importance as a witness:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m22-003.shtml

>Read carefully the Q & A exchange between Rudiak and Kimball >which I arranged,

First of all, note that Stacy failed to note my original response to his initial post, which supplies a context in which all this happened. If you just read Stacy's remark's, it sounds like my very lengthy, detailed response is riddled with insults of Kimball, which is entirely untrue. Where Kimball was merely expressing an opinion, I noted that he was expressing an opinion. Where Kimball made a valid point based on personal knowledge, I thought I gave him credit for it. The only time I was sarcastic was in response to Kimball's own remarks about the medical staff spending a lot of time off-duty down at the base recreation sites, that everything seemed normal, therefore

nothing happened.

My true sarcasm in that post was directed at Dennis Stacy, because he repeatedly accused Roswell authors like Stan Friedman and Kevin Randle of suppressing Kimball's statements in their books. It could hardly be censorship, since their awareness of Kimball didn't even exist until _after_ their books had been published or were in press. (Stacy _falsely_ accused them of suppression, but I'm the one who is the boor.)

When Dennis complained about my tone, here is another response I wrote saying that it was prompted by his previous behavior on Updates. I agreed to tone down my remarks since he seemed to be playing it straight for once, but again noted the absurdity of much of his time-travel-witness-testimony-suppression argument:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m23-009.shtml

Also as Dennis says, he "arranged" the Q & A with Kimball. I wasn't responding directly to Kimball. I was responding to Stacy. But Saint Stacy, the innocent one, then did what he usually loves to do, namely stir the pot. He shot my UpDates post off to Kimball (whether he sent the whole response with its complete context or just selected quotes to stir up Kimball I don't know), which prompted the response from Kimball below.

>and then tell me who's the Gentleman and who's the Boor here.

Read _all_ the exchanges, then judge for yourself.

>Kimball was willing to cooperate with Roswell investigators. One >would have thought that Rudiak might have been curious and >courteous at a minimum. But when Kimball wouldn't say what >Rudiak wanted to hear, the latter's instincts to shoot the >messenger took over. Notice how easily he slips into his typical >snideness. After Rudiak's second or third allusion to swimming >pools and golf courses, Kimball has understandably had enough >and responds as follows:

Just more bunk from Dennis, who loves beating a dead horse to death. Dennis is still deliberately leaving out critical information to properly judge the context of my remarks. Here is what Kimball originally wrote on his Web-site that prompted my so-called "snideness:"

(See

http://www.grassyhill.com/Roswell/Witnesses/CaptKimball.htm)

"You would think that with all of the books that have been written, TV shows fictionalizing the incident, and the coverage the summer of 1997 in the media (major articles in the New York Times, cover stories in Time Magazine and Popular Science) that there must have been a great furor at the Base at that time (July 1947). To the contrary, life went on as usual. Most of the medical staff spent their time at the Officer's Club swimming pool every afternoon after duty hours. The biggest excitement was the cut-throat hearts game in the BOQ and an intense bingo, bango bungo golf game at the local nine hole golf course for a nickel a point!! There was absolutely NO unusual activity on the Base, no base alerts, no hysteria, no panic in July 1947. Life went on as usual."

Notice that it was Kimball, not I, who painted this picture of light-hearted frolicking by medical personnel off-hours. The purpose of this was his own attempt to discredit the idea that anything unusual might have happened at the base. To this imagery I responded to Stacy:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m22-003.shtml

"So because this one person saw no unusual activity at the base hospital-while he was on duty, or when he was on the golf course, or down at the base swimming hole or drinking hole, we are supposed to conclude that nothing at all unusual could have happened anywhere on the base at all hours of the day and night. That makes zero sense."

Much further down in the post, in a summary statement I wrote:

"This witness was a junior medical officer at the time with no general access to all parts of the base, and can only tell us

what he observed from a very limited perspective, much of it seeming to be the base golf course and swimming pool."

This was sarcastic, to be sure, but it was Kimball himself who placed himself there when off-duty painting a picture of complete normalcy at the base. I was again making the obvious point that Kimball would be unlikely to know what was happening at one of the base hangars or at the hospital or in the field when he was off duty and in a completely different location from where the action would be taking place.

And then further down, I contrasted Kimball's statements that nothing happened with a base nurse interviewed by OMNI Magazine in 1995 just before she died. She stated she didn't have any personal knowledge of a crash or goings-on at the hospital, but didn't dismiss the possibility like Kimball did:

"However, she felt that a crash and body recovery was plausible, based on her readings. 'I know that something went on, and I know it was very hush-hush. And I know I didn't know anything about it at the time. It was closed up tight as a drum, you know, by the base officials.' She also said she heard nothing directly from base personnel, but that was the norm at Roswell. Everybody kept their mouths shut if they knew anything sensitive."

"So here's another witness in a comparable position to Kimball who does not fully agree with his assessment. She had some awareness of something unusual going on and of it being suppressed, even if Kimball did not. Maybe she didn't spend as much time as he did on the golf course and playing cards. And she certainly didn't share Kimball's opinion that various base personnel would never engage in a cover-up. If they knew something important, they would not talk about it."

So that was my third and last mention of Kimball being on the golf course and playing cards, something I only raised because Kimball brought it up to begin with to discredit the idea of something unusual at the base. I never said he spent most of his time doing these things or was negligent in his duties, though Kimball apparently took it that way after Dennis chose to forward these remarks onto him.

I also don't think it out of line to employ a little satire to point out the absurdity of this witness' line of reasoning: "I didn't know anything, therefore nothing happened."

If I overdid it, so be it. Those are the only three instances in which I think I could be remotely be construed as being sarcastic (or "boorish", to use Dennis' hyperbole) toward Mr. Kimball's remarks. Read the entirely of that post, and I think you'll find I give him full credit when he made what I thought to be a valid point (some extracted examples are also reproduced below). I also accepted much of what he said at face value, though I could easily have questioned it.

>"The primary reason I prepared the web site on Roswell was to >provide what I thought was first hand information as to what did >NOT take place at the Base Hospital in the summer of 1947. You >call me a 'pretty minor character [who] personally knew a very >limited amount.' If by this comment you are saying I didn't know >what was or was not going [on] in the base hospital you are dead >wrong. You have belittled me and demeaned me by your gratuitous >remarks about my time at the golf course, swimming pool, and >drinking hole. I like to think I performed my duties well and >conscientiously - at least well enough to be promoted and given >more responsible assignments at higher levels of command and >complete over 20 years of active service."

Please note where Kimball called my remarks "gratuitous" about him spending time down down at the golf course, swimming pool, and "drinking hole." But it was Kimball who brought the subject up and made an issue of it. He stated that most of the medical staff went off duty in the afternoon and spent their time at these recreation sites. Everything was "usual" at the base. They played cards, they swam, they played golf. They heard nothing. There were no alien autopsies.

Here is a portion of a very lengthy e-mail I wrote to Kimball after Dennis chose to stir things up. This was also posted to Updates, and is a another detailed and important contextual reference Dennis chose to leave out:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m28-013.shtml

"I'm sorry if you took it that way. But you also opened your remarks with all those statements about how nothing unusual was going on or being said in these various social and recreational areas, therefore nothing happened. I have to assume that you had to have been at the golf course, swimming pool, officers club, etc. when off-duty in order to have formed your impressions. If not, then why bring it up?"

"Furthermore, unless people at Roswell routinely gossiped about classified matters in these settings, your comments were hardly relevant. I don't know -- did they? Maybe over a few drinks at the Officers Club (what I facetiously referred to as the "drinking hole")?"

>Kimball went on to become a Professor of Political Science at >the University of Utah. Rudiak, by all appearances and available >evidence, went on to become a Professional Boor.

A boorish remark by someone accusing me of being a boor. Like I said, this is nothing but typical Stacian hypocrisy. Everybody on the list who reads Dennis' posts knows it. He is one of the most insulting people here. He loves to get in his licks and then play the martyred innocent when people respond back.

>When I recently reintroduced Kimball to this List I described >him as the second medical officer in command. I was working from >memory. When I went back and reread his testimony I recognized >my mistake and immediately corrected myself here.

>But in Rudiak's world there is no such thing as an innocent >mistake, so naturally I was accused to trying to inflate >Kimball's credentials.

Kimball was always little more than spear-holder in the opera. Stacy for the last 3 years has tried to pump him into a major witness of some kind, which he never was. He was the third-in-command medical officer by rank, the medical supply officer. I'm not even sure he was an M.D. This isn't to belittle Kimball or his work, but to point out he was a pretty minor character, just like most people at the base. Not only might he not have a need-to-know when on duty, he may have been off-duty and somewhere else when all the action allegedly took place at the base hospital or elsewhere at the base. It was a _big_ base.

>Kimball's credentials speak for themselves, and I hope everyone >will go back and read his original remarks.

Yes, please do, and my complete remarks, and my follow-up remarks to Kimball and to Stacy.

>Rudiak would have you believe that they are immaterial,

More serious misrepesentation by Stacy. Read the actual posts, where I said exactly the opposite.

>From my original post....

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m22-003.shtml

...here are some excerpts where I comment on some of Kimball's statements:

Regarding conversations Kimball had with, Jack Comstock, the chief medical officer in 1995 regarding alien bodies at the base hospital:

"Despite these obvious caveats, I see no reason at this point to assume Kimball didn't talk with Comstock, or that he misrepresented what Comstock told him, or that Comstock knew anything and was concealing it from Kimball. I take these statements at face value for the time being. Nothing unusual happened at the base hospital in July 1947 that either of these men was aware of."

Elsewhere:

"This is an interesting perspective, but again does not

absolutely rule out that Comstock would simply not talk about it with Kimball or anyone else, no matter how good friends they may have been. However, I have no reason to doubt Kimball's opinion on this at the moment."

Regarding Roswell mortician Glenn Dennis:

"Kimball states he never spoke with Dennis, and I have no reason to doubt this. But its also conceivable that another non-expert like Kimball could have posed as the base mortuary officer and called Dennis for advice."

Note how my remarks here are just full of "boorishness" and lack of acknowledgement for what Kimball had to say

Here is another example in my e-mail to Kimball:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m28-013.shtml

">I like to think I performed my duties well and >conscientiously - at least well enough to be promoted and given more >responsible assignments at higher levels of command and complete over 20 >years of active service."

"I never questioned that. What I questioned was exactly what you would have known in the position that you occupied. That's why I referred to you as a junior officer and a minor player at the base. Absence of gossip down at the officers club or on the golf course doesn't tell us much. What was relevant was whatever direct knowledge you may have had or not had. And I believe I fully acknowledged your statements about the base hospital and Glenn Dennis as being noteworthy. I also acknowledged your personal evaluation of Blanchard's character, and noted that it actually supports the idea that Blanchard would not have acted on his own in issuing the infamous crashed disk press release, but would have had it approved from higher up, or may even have been ordered to put it out."

And in a follow-up response to Stacy:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m23-009.shtml

"In the end what we have is the following:

"1. Kimball wasn't personally aware of anything unusual going on at the base hospital while he was there, or in other places he apparently frequented for recreation, like the golf course, officer's club, swimming pool, etc. (except for the hospital, these are all irrelevant unless there was loose chatter going on here, but would there have been?)

"2. The hospital head whom he spoke to in 1995 wasn't aware of anything unusual (or so he told Kimball). Nor had he spoken of it before, though he was a good friend (but would he have done so even if he knew something?)

"3. Blanchard never mentioned anything about it to him though he knew him well later in his carrer (but why would he?)

"4. Kimball never heard of Glenn Dennis and never spoke to him for advice on caskets and preservation, even though Kimball would have acted as the mortuary officer had the occasion arisen.

"That's about it. Nearly everything else he said was opinion. Like most witnesses, he's a pretty minor character and personally knew a very limited amount. It's nonetheless worth noting. Just another piece to the puzzle."

But according to Stacy, I treated everything Kimball had to say as "immaterial" and was completely "boorish" towards him.

>when the

>exact opposite is true, a concept that continues to sail over >his head. Whether one agrees with them or not, they have to be >considered and weighed in the context of claims made that the >base was in a state of high alert and that alien autopsies were >conducted at the base hospital. Kimball simply says that if >either or both of these events had happened, he would have been >aware of it/them by virtue of his position. This was all dealt with in the original posts. Stacy continues to beat a dead horse. There is no reason for Kimball to have necessarily known about anything, as others besides boorish me have been pointing out. This is the real concept that continues to sail over Stacy's head.

>Take them or leave them, but don't totally ignore them, as >Rudiak would have you do. Kimball's remarks are clearly >material, as any court-appointed attorney could tell you.

Spoken like a true court-appointed attorney, distorting the actual record and beating his fist on the table because he has nothing else to say.

I hope this will be my last post on the matter. Stacy can go nurse his grudges somewhere else.

David Rudiak

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Re: The Roswell Debate - Fenwick

From: Lawrence Fenwick <lawrencefenwick@interactive.rogers.com>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 16:18:45 -0500 (EST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:39:14 -0500
Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate - Fenwick

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com></u>
>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 23:05:19 EST
>Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

Hi, Jim,

Thanks for your comment on my opinion about Roswell.

I've been 48 years in research, and have been frustrated and baffled by most UFO reports, even after investigations of these reports.

What I said reflects my emotional rather than my rational side.

Of course, we should still probe reports. Maybe one will give us the proof we need. We probably have a better chance of sucess than we'd have of the government admitting what it knows.

Larry Fenwick

http://interactive.rogers.com/lawrencefenwick/

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Re: New Year Agenda - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@rocler.qc.ca></u> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:51:05 -0500 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:41:39 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Salvaille

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 15:09:34 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark</u>@frontiernet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:40:26 -0600

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>I just want Stan to admit same, and, having done so, lighten up >on his never ending assertion that of course secrets can be >kept, as if the mere presence of rules for secret keeping >insured success.

>If it did, no one from the 509th would ever have admitted to
>being involved in the recovery of alien bodies. Since they did,
>it's patently obvious that having a system of
>compartmentalization, need to know, and/or whatever in place is
>no guarantee that secrets will remain safe.

>It's not really that difficult a concept to grasp. I'm sorry if >it seems to be giving you trouble.

<snip>

Dennis,

You will to know and your need to know are both commendable and your pain to save us all from (for?) terminal ignorance an heroic gesture.

Still, I must mention that, on May 29th 2001, we got this updated 1998 statement from the CIA:

http://www.cia.gov/cia/public affairs/press release/archives/1998/ps071598.html

Where we learn that, in the past 5 years, the CIA has released over 227,000 pages regarding the JFK assassination. We also read:

"Top priority must continue to be given to the review and release of information related to the JFK assassination for so long as that particular inquiry continues. We must satisfy our statutory and moral obligations in this regard."

Thus: not all the documentation has been released on this now 40 year old event but they are still working at it.

Your evident knowledge that secrets cannot be kept has evidently escaped the poor slobs who still think that things still remain unknown after 40 years.

Please contact them at:

http://www.cia.gov/cia/contact.htm#web

The CIA needs you.

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UK MoD Established Secret UFO Investigation Group

From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:49:04 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 03:49:04 -0500
Subject: UK MoD Established Secret UFO Investigation Group

http://www.ananova.com/news/story/sm 485819.html?menu=news.latestheadlines

17:14 Wednesday 2nd January 2002

UK MoD Established Secret UFO Investigation Group

Official papers have revealed the Ministry of Defence set up a secret flying saucer working party in the 1950s.

The papers show the group involved experts from the Directorate of Scientific Intelligence and the Joint Technical Intelligence Committee.

It was established in 1951 after a spate of sightings in Sweden and the US led to a "notable outbreak" of reports in Britain.

However, the scientists gave short shrift to the idea that the earth was facing an alien invasion from space, dismissing the claims as "optical illusions and psychological delusions" - or just plain hoaxes.

"We consider that no progress will be made by attempting further investigation of unco-ordinated and subjective evidence, and that positive results could only be obtained by organising throughout the country, or the world, continuous observation of the skies by a co-ordinated network of visual observers, equipped with photographic apparatus, and supplemented by a network of radar stations and sound locators," they concluded.

"We should regard this, on the evidence so far available, as a singularly profitless enterprise."

The papers, being made public for the first time, went on: "We accordingly recommend very strongly that no further investigation of reported mysterious aerial phenomena be undertaken, unless and until some material evidence becomes available."

One of the cases they looked at was RAF Flight Lieutenant Hubbard who twice claimed to have seen "a flat disc, light pearl grey in colour, about 50 feet in diameter" flying low over Farnborough at speeds to 800 to 1,000 mph.

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BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:08:42 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:08:42 -0500
Subject: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/uk/newsid 1740000/1740189.stm

Thursday, 3 January, 2002, 10:18 GMT

'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

There have been many sightings in the UK The Ministry of Defence set up a unit to look at UFO sightings in the 1950s but found no evidence of aliens, newly-released official documents have revealed.

The joint group was formed in 1951 after a spate of sightings in Sweden and the US sparked a "notable outbreak" of reports in the UK.

But the experts from the Directorate of Scientific Intelligence and the Joint Technical Intelligence Committee dismissed the prospect of alien arrivals.

They said sightings were "optical illusions and psychological delusions" - or just plain hoaxes.

Continuous watch

The group reported: "We consider that no progress will be made by attempting further investigation of unco-ordinated and subjective evidence.

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"[We would need] a co-ordinated network of visual observers, equipped with photographic apparatus, and supplemented by a network of radar stations and sound locators.

"We should regard this, on the evidence so far available, as a singularly profitless enterprise.

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But conspiracy theorists sticking to the idea of a transatlantic cover-up of alien activity are likely to pick up on the fact some parts of the dossier are still withheld.

http://www.ufoupdateslist.com/2002/jan/m03-012.shtml[10/12/2011 09:42:01]

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:11:07 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 10:26:40 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
<snip>
>Dennis -

>This is really a very good point and one that I've thought about >quite a bit.

Jerry Clark, David Rudiak,

Are you listening? Kevin Randle says I just raised a very good point.

Film at eleven!

Seriously, Happy New Year All!

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More intemperate nonsense - no doubt - to follow.
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Dennis Stacy

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Re: Symmetry 0 0 yrtemmyS - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:43:50 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:12:46 -0500 Subject: Re: Symmetry 0 0 yrtemmyS - Tonnies

>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 14:20:18 -0500
>From: Bruce Maccabee <<u>brumac@compuserve.com></u>
Subject: Symmetry 0 0 yrtemmyS
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto
><<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>Welcome to

> 2 0 0 2 > the year of > symmetry 0 0 yrtemmys

Indeed! Looking forward to 2222!

--Mac

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Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 23:58:52 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:14:49 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 14:40:52 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 12:58:50 -0400

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>>I must jump in on Kevin's side on this one. Dennis you haven't
>>done your homework as to how the witnesses were found. I was the
>>first to talk to many of them. They were not seeking me out. I
>>was referred to Marcel by a TV station mangager while we were
>>twiddling our thumbs waiting for a late reporter. He had seen
>>the newspaper article about Marcel - July 8 PM papers all over >>West of Chicago. When Marcel was in nearby Houma and he began
>>talking over short wave radio he asked Marcel about it. He was
>>told nothing. That was in the late 1940s. I was the first to
>>talk to Haut. I had called the Roswell DR asking for their old
>>editor - 1978.... Long gone."What do you need? Have an article
>>here about Walter Haut at the base.... his wife works here!!!."

>Stan,

<snip>

>My point, which isn't all that subtle, is this:

>Time and again you have said that the 509th consisted of >hand-picked men who could keep a secret. Compartmentalization, >need to know, and all that. Yet when you reach them by >telephone, they seem to display little hesitation in being quite >talkative about their experiences.

>So which is it: were they tight-lipped or not? You can't have it >both ways.

You can have it both ways. There were some people who were more then willing to speak, say 40 years later after they saw a news paper article or whatever, and yet others who apparently still feel duty bound to not say anything.

Secrets can be kept and Secrets can be leaked.

Back in 1947 I am sure that the principles involved would have never said anything, nor even within the 509th, a tight knit group would everybody have had a need-to-know. Only the people involved would have a need-to-know, and all others no matter how high ranking, or low ranking wouldn't have the need-to-know.

Captain Kimball's non testimony is just as meaningless as the AF public affairs officers, from Colonel on down who vehemently denied the existance of the Stealth fighter from 1980 through 1987 or whenever it was declassified. They weren't telling lies. They were telling the truth as they knew it. It wasn't until the program was declassified so to speak (the existance was

declassified but alot of details were still Codeword classifed for quite awhile after that) and cleared for release to the P/A office did the people in the PA office "truly 'know."

>Nor can you claim that they wouldn't have talked among >themselves at reunions, only to start singing when you gave them >a ring. Why would they share secrets with someone they couldn't >have known from Adam, but not with each other? Maybe this makes >sense to you and Randle, but it doesn't to me. I'm still waiting >to be enlightened.

Knowing military people, some would be more comfortable discussing subject matter with people outside the military then inside. Things like that weren't talked about while they were active duty, and aren't discussed when they are retired or out of the service.

>>I located Dubose thru' the West Point Alumni group and called
>>him. Remember Haut, Marcel, DuBose were all named in the flood
>>of early articles. I sought the appropriate mortician from an
>>old Physician; he referred me to one, he referred me to
>>another, he referred me to Glenn and knew where he was. I got a
>>phone listing for Bill Brazel a week after his first phone was
>>installed. There was a great deal of other research... you know
>>the kind that caused my phone bill to be hundreds of dollars a
>>month

>No one's trying to detract from your accomplishments. I'm asking >a very simple question: why do you think these people sang to >the first researcher that came calling? Figuratively speaking, >of course, and civilians excepted.

Does it matter? Why did Ellsburg leak the Pentagon papers? Why do people inside the CIA leak classified documents to Bill Gertz for publication in his articles and books? Why do others say nothing even though the document they are supposedly protecting has been published?

Some things like current events are leaked immediatly, some things we will never find out about for 35 or more years, and only because the principles involved don't feel as duty bound as they do now.

<snip>

>I'm tempted to say you don't know how human nature works. You
>seem to think there's a system that insures security, when
>nothing could be further from the truth. It's the system and the
>people in it, which means there are no guarantees because no
>system can absolutely prohibit Individual behavior.

True enough

Could the secret of a crashed saucer and or bodies at Roswell be kept for 35 plus years before it leaked? An absolute yes, that is possible.

Could a highly secretive government group have been studying crashed saucers and alien bodies and kept it secret for many years. An absolute yes, that is possible.

Could a highly secretive government group been directing the TS/Codeword US sat recon program for many years and outside of a small amout of leaks the program as a whole was kept secret for 36 years? An absolute yes, that in fact happened, and we know this from highly classified Code Word documents that were declassified by an Executive Order.

Again Secrets can be kept and Secrets can be leaked.

>Exhibit A: 'When Betrayal and Paranoia Are Part of the Job' in >today's NY Times editorial page, about Robert Hanssen's selling >of FBI secrets. According to the author, Tom Mangold, Hanssen >sold his country out not for crass cash, but for "peer >approval".

As I recall it came out recently that Hanssen sold out for a bundle of cold hard cash, amongst other things.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 22:29:32 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:20:32 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark</u>@frontiernet.net>
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At least I haven't been shown any convincing evidence to the contrary.

Dennis Stacy

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Cydonian Imperative: - 01-03-02 'Crowned Face'

From: **Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>** Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 23:23:41 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 10:08:59 -0500 Subject: Cydonian Imperative: - 01-03-02 'Crowned Face'

The Cydonian Imperative 1-3-02

Analysis Suggests Natural Origin for "Crowned Face" by Mac Tonnies

http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html

[image]

New SFS renderings cast doubt on an artificial interpretation of the 'Crowned Face'.

New shape-from-shading images by Greg Orme show the so-called 'Crowned Face' under a variety of lighting conditions, revealing it to be a natural-looking feature. The following quote is from Page 18 of The Cydonian Imperative, which contains additional commentary on this controversial feature:

"There is an overall impression of bisymmetry and facial detail that, although fascinating, seems to be largely superficial. Unlike the Cydonia face (to use a much-studied example) the Crowned Face does not appear in isolation, but rather as a series of natural-looking ripples. One such 'ripple,' I suggest, is the feature construed as a 'mouth.' The fact that the Crowned Face is a very shallow feature, with no prominent shadows (as might be expected from a carving intended to stand the test of time) makes testing for artificiality exceptionally difficult."

-end-

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Repeating Past Mistakes - Kelly

From: Christopher Kelly <<u>tophar@iprimus.com.au></u>
Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 22:49:42 +1100
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 10:27:01 -0500
Subject: Repeating Past Mistakes - Kelly

Greetings one and all I trust everyone had a safe and happy Christmas/New Year,

I thought I would start off this new solar orbit with a bombshell - or is that a wake up call?

Back in 1999 at a web site called The ScifiVine, I wrote about how we were thought of by other races in the Galaxy as being nothing more than a race of murderous barbarians and that we would never be allowed off this planet unless we changed our ways and some beliefs.

This line of thinking is now nothing new. What I didn't include back in those early days of my struggle to write about such things was the fact that we humans had walked down this path of technology before and had gotten to the point of being able to venture out into space. Though, then like now, we were too bloodthirsty and any race we might come into contact with would clearly be in danger. So we were stopped from getting to the point of being able to leave this planet and travel to other solar systems. If I'm right we have been stopped more than once before, it could be as many as three times, maybe even more.

At the time of my learning about much of this, I made a mistake and it was thought by those telling about such things that I wasn't yet ready. I guess they were right as I didn't know how one would go about changing the ways of humans.

Money, guns, war, it is all humans seem to think about, besides sex. Most humans still cannot get their head around the fact we are not the only creatures alive in this universe, or even how important all other life is on this planet is. Human kind seems to think it is the be all and end all of existence and nothing else much matters. So how would one, even many, turn this kind of thinking around? I'm starting to think it would be a waste of time even trying. It would take decades to achieve and I don't think we have that kind of time any more.

This leads me to the coming prophecies and one that stands out is about the end of Human Kind. If one reads or interprets the prophecies correctly, it does only say that Human Kind comes to an end as we know it now, and not all life on this planet- which is consistent with what has happened in the past.

So is this coming doom nothing more than a big slap on the wrist of us getting it wrong yet again? Can we ever get it right? It is really sad when you think about it. We could be interacting with other races, visiting other planets, learning about our real past, (even though it might not be as grand as we would hope for) doing things we only thought we could dream about. Yet for a few selfish greedy mindless so and so's, none of this will happen for us, it will only ever be a dream.

I get depressed by all of this sometimes and wonder why I should be stuck on this planet of losers? Knowing too much is sometimes a curse and not a blessing. Being blissfully ignorant of such things has its advantages. But I am human and one with all others on this planet - part of the original sin. This original sin... is it that many years ago we ventured to other planets only to kill, plunder and return home with the spoils? It wouldn't surprise me if this were the case.

Still, for some reason I hold a small glimmer of hope that one day we might raise above our evil ways, lay down our fears, put our faith in that which created us and not in weapons or money and join the rest of the Universe.

I did, however, argue a point with those that told me about such things as we did sort of go from horse and buggy to space travel in one hell of a short period. My argument was that perhaps we had been interfered with, lead down the path of destruction through no choice of our own. They thought about this, but then pointed out that we do know the difference between right and wrong and we are the ones that make these decisions. If we truly did think that the only way to solve a problem was to pull out a weapon and use it, then we are truly a race not fit to leave this planet, but we all know this isn't the right way to solve a problem or differences we may have with each other. Its just the easy way, or should I say, the best way to ensure the problem is solved in favour of the one with the most weapons? Which is to say, right or wrong doesn't matter, what matters is those that are right have the most fire power.

I guess there is nothing more to say, but goodbye 21st century, hello Armageddon. Those that know about this have themselves a space ark or is that International Space Station? Not that I think it will do them much good, since by the time the dust settles they will have spent so long in space there will be no returning to the surface anyway. Though I wish them good luck.

So as Bender would say "Bring it on Baby!"

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Nick Pope's Weird World - Dec/Jan 01/02

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Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 12:09:46 -0000
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 10:38:49 -0500
Subject: Nick Pope's Weird World - Dec/Jan 01/02

NICK POPE'S WEIRD WORLD

Announcement: Nick Pope will be talking about the Flying Saucer Working Party on the James Whale Show, TalkSport Radio, tonight, between 11pm and 1am.

NICK POPE'S WEIRD WORLD

Here's my joint December/January column. May your dreams come true in 2002.

The Encyclopedia of Extraterrestrial Encounters

In last month's column I said that I'd received a copy of The Encyclopedia of Extraterrestrial Encounters, edited by Ronald Story. This is a follow up work to The Encyclopedia of UFOs, which Story edited in 1980, and I've now had a chance to dip into a fair bit of this new book.

The bottom line is that this is a classic title which combines breadth with depth and is recommended for anyone with an interest in ufology, irrespective of whether they are new to the subject or already knowledgeable. The book covers a lot of ground, combining position statements from prominent ufologists with more in-depth essays, some old and some new.

Some highlights include Eddie Bullard's balanced commentary on abductions, Alvin Lawson's Imaginary Abductee Study essay and Richard Haines' piece on shapes of UFOs.

The only downside to this book concerns balance. Story wrote to various ufologists asking for their help in compiling this book, both by providing biographical details and position statements, and by writing on various topics. But I suspect some politics in the choice of who gets to write about what, so the book may be a little confusing for some.

Roger Leir writes about implants, so we get a pro ETH essay. Bruce Maccabee covers the McMinnville photographs, whose authenticity he supports. Conversely, we get exclusively sceptical takes on the MJ12 documents, the alien autopsy film and crop circles.

Hypnosis is well covered with both a 'pro' and an 'anti' essay, but while this would be a fairer way of covering all the subjects, it would be impractical.

On occasion I detect a slight sceptical bias, but then this is Story's project so perhaps that's his prerogative. But it does look a little churlish when sceptical commentaries are sometimes inserted after key pro ETH essays, in an apparent eagerness to have the last word.

So Bruce Maccabee's essay on Gulf Breeze is followed by a sceptical postscript from Randall Fitzgerald, while the brief entry concerning John Mack is followed by a lengthy piece from Joe Nickell suggesting that Mack's abductees are fantasy prone personalities.

But no UFO book is ever going to achieve true balance, and despite some reservations over a bias towards the psychosocial approach (Robert Baker and Martin Kottmeyer loom large in this book) I have no hesitation in saying that this is one of the most important new UFO books of recent years, and is highly recommended.

Go to www.ufoencyclopediaproject.com for further details.

New Rendlesham Witnesses

The bumper November/December edition of UFO Magazine contains a feature on a new witness to the Rendlesham Forest incident. This witness was based at RAF Neatishead and challenges the official line that nothing was tracked on radar.

He also alleges that radar tapes were removed shortly after the incident. On this latter point I would urge caution.

Although such actions arouse the suspicion of conspiracy theorists, they are actually routine in the aftermath of a potentially significant UFO case.

While working in Sec(AS) I frequently requested that radar tapes be impounded and sent to me, so that I could check to see whether a visual UFO sighting was correlated by radar evidence. So the removal of radar tapes from RAF Neatishead may simply show that DS8, which was the predecessor of Sec(AS), was carrying out a standard investigation.

The MOD documents recently released to Lord Hill-Norton and Georgina Bruni tend to support this, and show that at DS8's request, MOD radar specialists had tasked RAF Watton and RAF Neatishead with examining their radar tapes. Coincidentally, I've been interviewing a new witness who was based at RAF Bentwaters at the time of the incident and has a fascinating story to tell.

On current plans, an article based on these interviews will appear in a future edition of UFO Magazine.

Eye Spy Magazine

Long before the terrible events of 11 September, the new British magazine Eye Spy was running in-depth features on Usama Bin Laden and his murderous Al Qaida terrorist organisation. It was not surprising, therefore, that in the aftermath of the terrorist atrocities various international distributors wanted to sell the magazine overseas and print vast numbers of the back issues. This had to be handled carefully, lest it looked like an attempt to cash in on the outrages, but the fact of the matter is that Eye Spy put Bin Laden on its front cover well before the recent terrorist outrages.

Recent issues of the magazine dealt sensitively and intelligently with the aftermath of 11 September. Their website:

www.eyespymag.com

is constantly updated with information on various intelligence and security stories, and is worth checking out. They have already run several world exclusives and have more in the pipeline.

Alien Abductions and Rhesus Negative Blood

Irrespective of individual blood groups A, B, AB or O, the plasma membranes of most people's red blood cells carry the series of antigens that categorise them as Rhesus Positive. Those without this factor are categorised as Rhesus Negative and I've recently had discussions with other leading abduction researchers concerning the question of whether there might be a higher proportion of Rhesus Negative people among abductees than in the population as a whole. The Rhesus Negative issue has cropped up a few times with abductees I've been working with and is something that is worthy of further study. Nick Pope's Weird World - Dec/Jan 01/02

The Real X-Files

Hard on the heels of Georgina Bruni's scoop concerning the release of MOD documents on the Rendlesham Forest incident, two enterprising members of the public have stumbled upon 'DSI/JTIC Report No. 7'. This is the 'full Intelligence study' referred to in the Air Ministry's response to Winston Churchill's 28 July 1952 memo in which he asked 'What does all this stuff about flying saucers amount to? What can it mean? What is the truth? Let me have a report at your convenience'.

Although interesting from a historical point of view, this rather quaint little piece of history reveals more about Cold War paranoia than it does about UFOs.

Set up in October 1950 and reporting in June 1951, the study drew heavily on USAF work done during Projects Sign and Grudge (forerunners of Project Blue Book).

Report No. 7 was sceptical about the UFO phenomenon and recommended no further action. Yet a few years later this recommendation was overturned and the UK did set up a project to research and investigate UFOs.

Unlike the Americans, the British didn't do this work under a discrete project name. Instead, the work was done within various secretariat divisions, which over the years have had decidedly unglamorous names such as S6, SHF(Air), S4(Air), DS8, Sec(AS) and now DAS.

I worked in Sec(AS) from 1991 to 1994 and wrote about my official research and investigation into UFOs and other strange phenomena in Open Skies, Closed Minds. In this book I give an insight into the history, policy and politics of the Air Ministry and the Ministry of Defence's involvement with the UFO phenomenon, as well as lifting the lid on some of the amazing cases that came our way over the years.

Nick Pope

Nick Pope's four books, Open Skies, Closed Minds, The Uninvited, Operation Thunder Child and Operation Lightning Strike are available from most good bookshops and from all the usual Internet book sites. His British publishers are Simon & Schuster. In America, his first two books are published in hardback by The Overlook Press and in mass-market paperback by Dell Publishing.

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com</u>> Date: 3 Jan 2002 05:23:19 -0800 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 10:42:39 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg@</u>houston.rr.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 17:07:30 -0600

>>Date: 2 Jan 2002 13:07:15 -0800
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy</u>@altavista.com>
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>>Here is the story. Oberg has talked to her about it, but Oberg >>dares not speak lest he cast Marcia Smith adrift in a leaky life >>boat.

>That's your story, and I'm satisfied that on those features >which I'm personally acquainted with, you're just making it up >as you go along, and I see no present value to trying to >influence anybody willing to believe your version, so as I said, >you have the floor.

>It may be that people decline to cooperate with you because the >trait of making up things and attributing them to others - which >you have just done in this specific instance - may occur in >other cases too.

Once again you could have simply said you are afraid to talk. Oberg short on words? Silence in this particular case is indeed golden.

As for Ms. Smith we have another plan.

Grant

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Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <<u>Lehmberg</u>@snowhill.com> Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 08:58:48 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 10:56:10 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 17:39:35 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 10:26:40 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>>Dennis -

>>This is really a very good point and one that I've thought about >>quite a bit.

>Jerry Clark, David Rudiak,

>Are you listening? Kevin Randle says I just raised a very good >point.

I'll read Dr. Randle's post again, but it seemed to me that that was merely an opening phrase beginning the well reasoned and detailed dismemberment of your shot from the hip, shallowly conjectured, and suspiciously disruptive cynicism.

>Film at eleven!

And I'd watch it... but for the Marlin Perkins 'Mutual of Omaha' re-runs on a competing channel, besides, your lot always has an open mike on the world stage, and one or the other of you can always be accessed to predictably produce the presumptuously pompous party line.

>Seriously, Happy New Year All!

I'm sure we're all hoping for the best... but the celebration is likely just another iteration of a tired paradigm as manipulating as an airy admonition to pray, reflexively spend seasonal money, or hit the social re-set button preparatory to making the mistakes of the previous year in the subsequent year... That sounds cynical, and it is, but it's the mirror image of _your_ brand...

>More intemperate nonsense - no doubt - to follow.

...only if _you_ post again, sir. <g>.

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Re: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <dledger@ns.sympatico.ca>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 23:47:26 -0500
Subject: Re: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank - Ledger

>Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:08:42 -0500 >To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers ->From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> >Subject: UFO UpDate: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

>Source: BBC News

>http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/uk/newsid 1740000/1740189.stm

>Thursday, 3 January, 2002, 10:18 GMT

>'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

>There have been many sightings in the UK The Ministry of Defence >set up a unit to look at UFO sightings in the 1950s but found no >evidence of aliens, newly-released official documents have >revealed.

>The joint group was formed in 1951 after a spate of sightings in >Sweden and the US sparked a "notable outbreak" of reports in the >UK.

>But the experts from the Directorate of Scientific Intelligence >and the Joint Technical Intelligence Committee dismissed the >prospect of alien arrivals.

>They said sightings were "optical illusions and psychological >delusions" - or just plain hoaxes.

>Continuous watch

>The group reported: "We consider that no progress will be made >by attempting further investigation of unco-ordinated and >subjective evidence.

>"Positive results could only be obtained by organising >throughout the country, or the world, continuous observation of >the skies.

>"[We would need] a co-ordinated network of visual observers, >equipped with photographic apparatus, and supplemented by a >network of radar stations and sound locators.

>"We should regard this, on the evidence so far available, as a >singularly profitless enterprise.

>'Flat disc'

>"We accordingly recommend very strongly that no further >investigation of reported mysterious aerial phenomena be >undertaken."

>One of the cases they looked at was RAF Flight Lieutenant >Hubbard who twice claimed to have seen "a flat disc, light pearl >grey in colour, about 50ft in diameter" flying low over >Farnborough at speeds to 800 to 1,000mph.

>The scientists drily noted: "We find it impossible to believe >that a most unconventional aircraft, of exceptional speed, could >have travelled at no great altitude, in the middle of a fine >summer morning, over a populous and air-minded district like >Farnborough, without attracting the attention of more than one >observer."

>But conspiracy theorists sticking to the idea of a transatlantic >cover-up of alien activity are likely to pick up on the fact >some parts of the dossier are still withheld.

The BBC of course would think nothing odd about parts of a dossier being withheld - unless of course it had to do with their annual budget being cut and the reasons for same were withheld. And they are babes in the woods to be sure if they don't think that people and governments conspire.

Notice how that word gets tossed about these days - one of those politically incorrect words. I see it bandied about even in our provincial legislature, particularly whenever a cabinet minister doesn't want to answer a question. "That honourable member sees conspiracies everywhere, Mr. Speaker."

Note though that the BBC did pick up on the fact that parts of the dossier were withheld. Why wouldn't they ask why?

Don Ledger

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NIDS: Report On Montana Mutilation

From: Colm Kelleher <<u>nids@anv.net></u>
Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 14:49:18 -0800
Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 23:56:55 -0500
Subject: NIDS: Report On Montana Mutilation

Enclosed is a summary of an investigation we conducted on a reported animal mutilation in Montana in June 2001. Some of your readers may be interested in the contents of the full report (approx 50 pages) that has just been published on the What's New section of the NIDS web site:

http://www.nidsci.org

Sincerely,

Colm Kelleher NIDS

Investigation of a Report of Animal Mutilation in Dupuyer, Montana on 6/27/2001

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Abstract

NIDS received a call from local law enforcement regarding a six-year old Red Angus cow found dead at 8:00-9:00 AM on 6/27/01 near Dupuyer, Montana. According to the rancher, the animal had last been seen alive on 6/25/01. The animal was lying on its right side. The left eye and eyelid were missing, the hide from the left jaw was missing and parts of the tongue were gone. The vagina and rectum were also missing. A thorough examination of the area by law enforcement failed to reveal any tracks, markings or signs of struggle from the animal. When the hide under the left jaw was cut away, investigators noticed a greenish-colored tissue mass just under the jaw. The green color markedly contrasted with the pink color of the surrounding tissue. Because of the ambient temperature and humidity in the area and to prevent further decomposition, the head of the animal was severed and immediately frozen. After the head was thoroughly frozen in Montana, it was then rapidly shipped to NIDS in Las Vegas, Nevada, where it was immediately stored at -85=BAC to prevent further decomposition.

NIDS then consulted with a forensic expert, who arranged to fly to Las Vegas to conduct a thorough sampling of the head. An analysis of the eyes and jaw showed no blood in the tissue, indicating that the heart had stopped beating upon removal of the tissues. If the animal was mutilated, the mutilation occurred after death. In addition to the gross pathology, samples of eye fluid from the animal's right eye and tissue from the neck area were collected. A comprehensive set of organic extraction procedures followed by Infrared spectrometry and gas chromatography mass spectrometry (GCMS) analysis were conducted to determine the molecular components in the eye fluid and tissues. Preliminary chemical analysis was also conducted on maggot mass from the animal. A second animal was obtained from a slaughterhouse and left to decompose for four days as a sham or control animal. Tissue and eye fluid from the control animal was subjected to identical extraction and analytical procedures.

A compound called oxindole was found in both tissue and eye fluid from the mutilated animal but not in the control animal, suggesting oxindole was not a decomposition product. The clinical and pharmacological properties of oxindole have been examined primarily in Europe (Mannaioni et al.(1998) British J. Pharmac. 125, 1751-1760). However, prior to these more recent studies, it has been well established that systemic administration of oxindole to rats, dogs or humans has been shown to cause profound sedation, decrease in blood pressure, decrease in muscular tone and loss of consciousness (Orcutt et al. (1964) Arch. Int. Pharmacodynam. 152, 121-131). Our failure to find oxindole in the control animal leads us to the working hypothesis that oxindole may have been used to sedate the animal prior to its death and mutilation. Similar analyses of different mutilated animals in the future will either substantiate or negate this working hypothesis. For example, the pharmacokinetic data on administration of oxindole to large animals is scanty as are the data on the extent of rumen-saliva recycling of tryptophan metabolites. A second hypothesis is that a traumatic event triggered the swift accumulation of oxindole in the tissues of the mutilated animal but not in the control animal. These subjects are currently under study.

Since the summer of 2001, NIDS has received over eight reports of animal mutilations from Montana, the majority of which were too old to seriously investigate. Nevertheless, this number of reports in a few months constitutes by far the largest report frequency received in the history of NIDS investigations of the animal mutilation phenomenon. Therefore, the present case should be seen not as an isolated incident, but in the context of a wave of mutilation reports in 2001 from Montana. It should also be noted that during the period 1974-1977, the Great Falls area of Montana was the locus of one of the most intense and sustained waves of reported animal mutilations in recorded history. For more details on this historical animal mutilation wave see the NIDS report at

http://www.nidsci.org/articles/pdf/wolverton_report.pdf.

Finally, NIDS is gratified by the increasing spirit of cooperation and collegiality between our organization and ranchers, law enforcement officials and veterinarians. We believe that the successful investigation of animal mutilations is utterly dependent upon close cooperation between NIDS and three separate groups: (a) ranchers who are willing to make timely reports to NIDS (702-798-1700) or to local law enforcement, (b) open-minded veterinarians who are willing to conduct timely necropsies on mutilated animals, and (c) hard-working law enforcement officials who serve as both investigators and liaisons between NIDS and the ranchers themselves. We emphasize that NIDS absorbs 100% of the costs of these investigations. Secondly, because of the controversial nature of the animal mutilation phenomenon, NIDS does NOT publicize the names of ranchers, law enforcement officials or veterinarians who work with us.

The full 50 page (approx) report with photographs, tables, figures and raw data can be found in the What's New section of the NIDS web site http://www.nidsci.org

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Re: Repeating Past Mistakes - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk</u>> Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 23:24:24 +0000 Fwd Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 23:59:19 -0500 Subject: Re: Repeating Past Mistakes - Rimmer

>From: Christopher Kelly <<u>tophar@iprimus.com.au</u>>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Repeating Past Mistakes
>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 22:49:42 +1100

>Back in 1999 at a web site called The ScifiVine, I wrote about >how we were thought of by other races in the Galaxy as being >nothing more than a race of murderous barbarians and that we >would never be allowed off this planet unless we changed our >ways and some beliefs.

I wonder if any other races in this or other galaxies hate themselves as much as so many human beings seem to?

>Money, guns, war, it is all humans seem to think about, besides >sex.

So that pretty much finishes off art, literature, music, philosophy, scientific enquiry, philanthropy, medicine and the simple fact that most humans do seem to be able to rub along quite happily without killing each other - despite all we have witnessed lately.

>This leads me to the coming prophecies and one that stands out >is about the end of Human Kind. If one reads or interprets the >prophecies correctly, it does only say that Human Kind comes to >an end as we know it now, and not all life on this planet- which >is consistent with what has happened in the past.

And there are a lot of people - like Mr Kelly - who seem to be hardly able to conceal their glee at the thought! (BTW, what is a "coming rophecy"? Is it a prophecy that hasn't been prophecied yet? Even smarter than a regular prophecy!)

>So is this coming doom nothing more than a big slap on the wrist >of us getting it wrong yet again? Can we ever get it right? It >is really sad when you think about it. We could be interacting >with other races, visiting other planets, learning about our >real past, (even though it might not be as grand as we would >hope for) doing things we only thought we could dream about. Yet >for a few selfish greedy mindless so and so's, none of this will >happen for us, it will only ever be a dream.

Just so long as we don't get to interact to much with that enlightened race which seems to be so keen on abducting us and doing some rather unpleasant things to are innards.

>I get depressed by all of this sometimes and wonder why I should >be stuck on this planet of losers? Knowing too much is sometimes >a curse and not a blessing. Being blissfully ignorant of such >things has its advantages. But I am human and one with all >others on this planet - part of the original sin. This original >sin... is it that many years ago we ventured to other planets >only to kill, plunder and return home with the spoils? It >wouldn't surprise me if this were the case.

And I get depressed by people who, like Mr Kelly, live at a time when the world is more peaceful - yes! - and prosperous for the greatest number of people at any time in its history. Yes there is a lot of misery happening around the world, but we're not going to even begin to tackle it if we just sit around waiting for some saviours from space to turn up and "interact" with us.

>Still, for some reason I hold a small glimmer of hope that one >day we might raise above our evil ways, lay down our fears, put >our faith in that which created us and not in weapons or money >and join the rest of the Universe.

How about rising above our alleged evil ways through our own efforts and letting the rest of the Universe just get on with it's own affairs?

>I did, however, argue a point with those that told me about such >things as we did sort of go from horse and buggy to space travel >in one hell of a short period. My argument was that perhaps we >had been interfered with, lead down the path of destruction >through no choice of our own.

Maybe we are actually quite a clever species. I know this is a difficult concept for some people to grasp. Curiously, the people who have this attitude tend to be the people who like in the most peaceful and prosperous parts of this planet. Maybe they're not busy enough trying to improve their own lives by their own efforts, like people in less fortunate areas, that they have time to sit around and write stuff like this.

>I guess there is nothing more to say, but goodbye 21st century, >hello Armageddon. Those that know about this have themselves a >space ark or is that International Space Station? Not that I >think it will do them much good, since by the time the dust >settles they will have spent so long in space there will be no >returning to the surface anyway. Though I wish them good luck.

>So as Bender would say "Bring it on Baby!"

As Rimmer would say, "Pur-leez!"

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Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 23:21:14 +0000
Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 00:00:25 -0500
Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Rimmer

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:54:47 EST
>Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>Personally I can reasonably doubt. Just because you get a grant >does not mean you automatically have access to any and all >information in the hands of the people giving the grant. Even >without the information a person getting a grant could do an >indepth job.

>Wasn't Stan Friedman given a grant by the FUND for research into >the MJ-12 documents? If so was he given full and complete access >to every particle of information and or videos in the hands of >the fund as part of his research?

If not why not? Why would anyone say, I want to pay you to research documents about X, Y or Z - but not the one's I've got.

Sounds pretty stupid to me, whether it's Friedman or Pflock who has been put in that position.

John Rimmer

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 16:50:29 -0600 Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 00:03:01 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@rocler.qc.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:51:05 -0500

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>Your evident knowledge that secrets cannot be kept has evidently >escaped the poor slobs who still think that things still remain >unknown after 40 years.

>Please contact them at:

><u>http://www.cia.gov/cia/contact.htm#web</u>

>The CIA needs you.

Serge,

I thought you knew that I already worked for the CIA.

Oops, guess the secret is out now!

Dennis

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Re: New Year Agenda - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee

brumac@compuserve.com>

Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 19:04:38 -0500

Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 00:07:26 -0500

Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Maccabee

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 10:40:46 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 16:37:20 -0600
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

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>>[Kimball] My response: I am at a loss to understand how you can >>state that I had no clearance to the flight line or hangars. The >>fact is, I had a Top Secret clearance and was very often on the >>flight line and in many of the hangars for a variety of reasons, >>including participation in training programs, familiarization >>programs, and taking actual flights in different aircraft, >>including training missions. Also, staff meetings were held by >>Major Comstock for the express purposes of sharing information >>about what was going on not only at the hospital but on the base >>in general and to discuss any unusual problems. I did not >>perform my duties, and there were many, in a vacuum.

>Dennis, List, all -

>Let me make a few observations here. First, a top secret >clearance does not mean automatic clearance to see all top >secret material. There is such a thing as need to know which >disqualifies many who hold top secret clearances from getting i>nto material that they have no need to know .

My favorite story about 'need to know' goes like this. I heard this on TV/radio _many_ years ago so I may have some details wrong, but here goes.

In the early 80's under Reagan, Bill Casey was DCI (Director of Central Intelligence). His 2nd in command was one Robert "Bobby" Gates. You will recall all the Iran/Contra nasty stuff that was going on in those days (supporting a revolution in Nicaragua in spite of Congressional direction to NOT fund any such thing, as I recall).

Anyway, Casey died. In the latter half of the '80's Bobby was up in front of Congress to be approved as DCI. Nasty congressman were throwing the Iran Contra affair at Gates, claiming that he was involved and hence had no moral authority to be DCI---- of something like that. Gates was denying involvement, saying he knew nothing of the particular affair that some Congressmen were trying to pin around his neck. The Congressmen couldn't believe that Gates was innocent... after all he was #2 at the agency. _Surely_he_would_have_known_everything_about_IRAN_CONTRA_! (It's only _logical_ you know!) (Can't you just see some Congressman pounding hius shoe on the desk as he emphasizes this point?) Now we come to the reason for this story:

An old curmudgeon of the CIA, a guy who went back into the 50's as I recall (but I don't recall his name... although I would

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recognize it, It think), was called to testify to Congress on behalf of Gates. Mr. Curmudgeon testified as follows based on what Casey had told him in the early 80's (paraphrase):

"It is true that Gates knew nothing of it. Casey told me 'I don't tell Gates everything."

End Of Story

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From: Bruce Maccabee

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Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 19:04:35 -0500

Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 00:09:41 -0500

Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Maccabee

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 10:26:40 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 14:14:48 -0600
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

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>When you boil it down, the Roswell story, as most of us know it, >that has come from military sources, was put together through >multiple interviews with the men involved and their family >members. Many of those military members were reluctant to talk, >told a little bit about their involvement, but might have held >back quite a bit more. I think here that these men just didn't >want to lie to us and they didn't want to violate their oaths, >and said the bare minimum they could. Most of us are basically >honest and when confronted with a situation in which a >bald-faced lie would extract us, try to weasel our way out of >it. We try not to lie without revealing that which we know. >Yeah, I can think of many examples in which people looked us >right in the eye and lied their asses off. But, I think for the >majority, it just wasn't quite that simple.

>Cavitt, for example, lied his ass off. Even after he had talked >to Colonel Weaver and they concocted that ridiculous interview >in which Cavitt said he had picked up the balloon with Marcel >(after telling me that he had never been involved in the >recovery of a balloon), told me, after I described what both >Rickett and Marcel said about him, "Well, that sounds like me, >but I wasn't there." Looked me right in the eye and told me a >lie that he had to know would be exposed as a lie in a few >months (or maybe he didn't think the Air Force would publish the >transcript of the interview).

Cavitt lied during the Weaver interview. He said he had not met the rancher, Brazel. Yet, he admitted to going to the "crash site" with Marcel. But Marcel didn't know where the crash site was... only Brazel knew. Brazel led Marcel and Cavitt to the site. This only makes me wonder how stupid the cover up guys think we are! See <u>http://brumac.8k.com/Roswell/CavittEmptor.html</u> for an analysis of Cavitt's testimony. Cavitt Emptor!

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Re: Repeating Past Mistakes - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee

Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 19:04:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 00:11:24 -0500
Subject: Re: Repeating Past Mistakes - Maccabee

>From: Christopher Kelly <<u>tophar</u>@iprimus.com.au>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Repeating Past Mistakes
>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 22:49:42 +1100

>Greetings one and all I trust everyone had a safe and happy >Christmas/New Year,

>I thought I would start off this new solar orbit with a >bombshell - or is that a wake up call?

<snip>

>This leads me to the coming prophecies and one that stands out >is about the end of Human Kind. If one reads or interprets the >prophecies correctly, it does only say that Human Kind comes to >an end as we know it now, and not all life on this planet- which >is consistent with what has happened in the past.

>I guess there is nothing more to say, but goodbye 21st century, >hello Armageddon.

Pleasant thought! Guess I'll start packing right now. (I expect to be one of the 144,000.)

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Re: UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 7 Number 1 - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 19:04:40 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 00:13:20 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 7 Number 1 - Maccabee

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 20:01:34 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: John Hayes <<u>webmaster</u>@ufoinfo.com>
>Subject: UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 7 Number 1

>Posted on behalf of Joseph Trainor. Nice to have Joe back on line!

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 17:30:06 -0600 Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 00:14:43 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:41:18 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>Dear Dennis,

>Your hypocrisy is also things of beauty.

>Perhaps Dennis could explain why he earned the nickname "The >Hyena" during his stint as editor of the MUFON Journal. It >wasn't boorish me who hung that title on him. Maybe it had >something to do with his attack-dog, grenade-throwing, >impulsive, petulant, flippant, snide, sarcastic, and insulting >side that he frequently displays here on UpDates, such as this >very post attacking me as a "boor". It is so "dependable and >exquisite", that it practically invites "boorishness" in >response.

David,

"The Hyena" soubriquet is news to me, but I learn something new every day. Are you sure you didn't come up with it? Why not?

<snip>

>Also as Dennis says, he "arranged" the Q & A with Kimball. I >wasn't responding directly to Kimball. I was responding to >Stacy. But Saint Stacy, the innocent one, then did what he >usually loves to do, namely stir the pot. He shot my UpDates >post off to Kimball (whether he sent the whole response with its >complete context or just selected quotes to stir up Kimball I >don't know), which prompted the response from Kimball below.

Of course I forwarded him your whole post. Why would I take the time to edit it?

<snip>

>Here is a portion of a very lengthy e-mail I wrote to Kimball >after Dennis chose to stir things up.

I didn't choose to stir things up. As memory serves, I posted a link to Kimball's web site. When you responded, I passed your comments along to Kimball for his response, which I then posted.

I'm glad you corresponded with him later. It goes w/o saying that if it was an e-mail from you it was very lengthy. Any chance of posting his response here, or did you not get one?

>I hope this will be my last post on the matter. Stacy can go >nurse his grudges somewhere else.

But, David, there is nowhere else where I can nurse my grudges. I thought you knew that.

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Dennis "The Hyena" Stacy "Are those spots or stripes?"

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>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:41:18 EST
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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 13:05:21 EST
>>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Your boorishness is a thing of beauty. It's so dependable and >>exquisite that I have no hesitation in recommending it as a >>model for would-be boors everywhere.

>Dear Dennis,

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Dear David,

A couple of last thoughts.

When The Hyena quit as editor of the MUFON Journal (a stint that lasted 12 years) our circulation was somewhere in the neighborhood of 4800, having reached a high of 5200 or so. I'm not sure where its circulation is now, but the last time I looked it was barely above 3000 and still dropping.

I don't claim credit for its rise, nor do I suggest that my absence is in anyway responsible for its precipitous membership decline. All sorts of factors are no doubt involved, beginning with the rise of the Internet and the proliferation of UFO sites.

The point is, when I was editor, I tried to put out the best issue I could - month after month. And I think this goes to why you and I don't "hit it off", so to speak, as if this List needed another monumental understatement.

Yes, I've accused you of snideness, boorishness, and so on, and you've more than energetically and promptly returned the favor. I have no problem with that. But, to the best of my knowledge (and correct me if I'm wrong, as I know you will), I don't think I've ever called your basic ethics and motives into question. Yet you call mine into question on all too routine basis. In the above post of yours, for example, you accuse me of stirring the pot and wonder whether I edited your e-mail that I passed along to Kimball.

I could care less how you personally interpret Kimball's testimony, but I hope you'll agree that we're better - not worse - off for having it archived here. If that's stirring the pot, so be it. At least I threw something into the stew that might not have been there otherwise.

So, I'm reminded of a scene toward the end of 'Patton' where Patton and a Russian general finally toast each other as one "sumbitch" to another.

The year is early, so I suggest that we toast each other as one Boor to another and move on. Or is it Hyena?

Dennis Stacy

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>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 08:58:48 -0600

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>>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 10:26:40 EST
>>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>><snip>

>>>Dennis -

>>>This is really a very good point and one that I've thought about >>>quite a bit.

>I'll read Dr. Randle's post again, but it seemed to me that that >was merely an opening phrase beginning the well reasoned and >detailed dismemberment of your shot from the hip, shallowly >conjectured, and suspiciously disruptive cynicism.

No, Alfred, it was actually a really very good point and one that Randle himself had thought about quite a bit, just like he said.

I mean, I knew you wouldn't believe me, but I thought you might believe him.

Guess not.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 23:14:32 EST Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 07:40:17 -0500 Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Gates

>Date: 2 Jan 2002 13:07:15 -0800
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u>
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>>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
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>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>>>Date: Mon, 31 Dec 2001 08:17:40 -0600

>>>Smith appears not to remember it this way.

>>This is the impression I have had. As I asked before when this
>>story surfaced, as _anybody_ including the principles telling or
>>repeating the story _ever_ gotten any kind of confirmation from
>>Smith in the form of email, letters or whatever. I suspect what
>>Smith remembers and what Sheehan remembers are two totally
>>different storys.

>Here is the story. Oberg has talked to her about it, but Oberg >dares not speak lest he cast Marcia Smith adrift in a leaky life

Its also possible that she in fact never said the things attributed to her by Sheehan.

>Marcia Smith has never spoken publically on what she told >Sheehan about the Bush/Carter affair, nor about what files she >made available to Daniel Sheehan to view in mid 1977. She has >not spoken publically on the two reports Sheehan claims were >authored for President Carter. Marcia has said NOTHING, despite >an rumors you may have heard.

The point being is that she has said nothing, and will continue to say nothing... likely because she has nothing to say about the subject.

>Daniel Sheehan has spoken many many many times about his >involvement. See story told to MUFON-LA:

><u>http://www.mufonla.com/sheehan.ram</u>

>See story told to Jeff Rense:

>http://playlist.broadcast.com/makeram.asp?id=546600

>See story told to Strange Days... Indeed:

><u>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/sdi/sdiarchive/sdi093.ra</u>

>Also see Strange Days...Indeed Interview Transcript:

>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/2001/jul/m16-015.shtml

>Sheehan told parts of the story to convention in Santa Clara and >in Laughlin Nevada in September 2001. He told his story to Art >Bell, but you have to pay to hear it. I believe Sheehan told his >story at the May 9th Disclosure news conference in Washington.

Perhaps it is true, perhaps it isn't. He can tell the story 100s of times and it still doesn't necessarly make it true. Recall also the famous quote "I did not have sexual relations with that woman..." told very publicly in front of hundreds of cameras, broadcast globally, and re-run endlessly. Didn't change the fact it was not correct.

Apparently, in essence, other then "Sheehan has said..." we can get no independent confirmation, either through Congressional records, or the questioning of people involved, say Marcia Smith, so the bottom line is just another story being told in Ufology about allegedly seeing classified records, photos of aliens and so forth, all that can't be verified.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: he Roswell Debate - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 07:43:50 -0500
Subject: Re: he Roswell Debate - Mortellaro

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>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 16:18:45 -0500 (EST)
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u> (UFO UpDates - Toronto)
>Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Tue, 1 Jan 2002 23:05:19 EST
>>Subject: Re: The Roswell Debate
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>Hi, Jim,

>Thanks for your comment on my opinion about Roswell.

>I've been 48 years in research, and have been frustrated and >baffled by most UFO reports, even after investigations of these >reports.

>What I said reflects my emotional rather than my rational side.

>Of course, we should still probe reports. Maybe one will give us >the proof we need. We probably have a better chance of sucess >than we'd have of the government admitting what it knows.

>Larry Fenwick

http://interactive.rogers.com/lawrencefenwick/

Dear Larry, List, Errol,

My reactions are almost always emotional as well, but this is because I've been trained by skeptics and skeptibunkers to react in this manner. And in order to assuage the suicidal and sometimes murderous feelings I get from some of the above darlings, I react in one of my best voices (referring to the ones in my head). And that would be my Gesundt voice.

That Gesundt guy is a pisher...

However, there is proof, the very same proof you seek. This proof resides in the memories of those, like myself, who have experienced both sightings as well as abductions. I neglected to use my favorite word... _perceived_... that we have had the abduction experience. The sightings are no perceptions at all. These are quite real.

The problem is not proof, it is belief in what the abduction experiencer has said. Thus far, the closest I can get someone to admit to some measure of belief is, that they believe that we believe what we've experienced.

Whilst not sufficient in my book, it is at least not the snickering, snide, insulting and sarcastic waste of breath, bandwidth and intellect which we've all observed here and elsewhere. It must be difficult for Errol to read this stuff and not say, "Crimey, I can't publish this tip trolling thru the trollops... " or the Kanahoovian equivelent.

Also, when emotion comes into conflict with reason, emotion always wins out. Additive, when emotion comes into conflict with culpable ignorence, culpable ignorence always wins out. You may, if you wish, substitute the inviolate and immovable object which always blocks even some good minds... it's called the 'paradigm block.' This block is usually driven by fear. Which is the mind killer. I suppose that anyone who rants like the devil himself, whether a skeptic, skeptibunker or just some jerk who thinks he or she knows everything - doesn't. Sad ain't it?

Best,

Jim....

The man who knows everything and even when wrong is right, because when he knows he's wrong .. he's knows he's wrong... therefore he's right..... [what'd I just say?]

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Thank You

From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com</u>> Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 23:49:23 EST Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 07:45:17 -0500 Subject: Thank You

With Errol's permission and way off topic... again,

Thank you for your voiced concern on-List and off and of course for your positive thoughts and your prayers. Mom had her triple bypass this morning and the proceedure went without complications. Frankly, the risk for her was acute and her chances were not very good... not very good at all. But, she refuses to leave us... and in particular, me as I am her only child. She does not see me as the old fart I am. She's the only one ...

The man who performed the proceedure perfected the beating heart bypass. Had it been a pump... mom would not be here to spoil me rotten.

With sincere thanks,

Jim and our family

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Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

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Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 17:18:31 -0600
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>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:18:05 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>Dennis,

>>Hate to mention this, but if you truly understood how government >>and classified material is handled you would have realized that >>this is not correct.

>>For example most people would _assume_ that because the Vice >>President of the United States is number 2 man so to speak and >>he should/would know everything just because of his position. >>The fact is that the Vice Presidents only know what they have a >>need-to-know. Harry Truman as VP of the US had no knowledge of >>the Manhatten project, yet many people might 'assume' that he >>should have/would have known or have knowledge just because of >>his position. In one of the books on the Stealth project either >>Clarence Kelly or Ben Rich, they mentioned that the chain of >>command for this highly classified compartmentalized project was >>from the Skunk works, to a one Star AF general, to Secretary of >>Defense, directly to the President. Supposedly cut out of the >>chain on this was the Vice President, Joint Chiefs and a host of >>other military people that people would _assume_ would have >>knowledge.

>Robert,

>Every situation is different. James Nance Garner, Truman's
>predecessor, famously referred to the Vice-Presidency as not
>being "worth a bucket of warm spit." Which it pretty much wasn't
>in 1947.

>Do you seriously think Dick Cheney is in a similar position >today? Out of the loop, as it were?

Some people were absolutly shocked that Harry Truman was out of the loop and would have said similar to what you said above. Whether you want to believe it or not, Cheney would not be in the loop on many things. Some classified projects only answer to the President. The Vice President and many senior military officers are left out of the loop because they don't have a need-to-know.

>>The other great myths are just because a person has a 'Top
>>Secret' security clearance, or is cleared for higher access, in
>>fact means they are entitled to read and know everything about
>>the project they are working on. This is totally bogus. Even
>>with a clearance, you are only allowed to access document that
>>it is determined that you have a need-to-know.

>No one said anything about Kimball reading documents. Do you

>think that if Roswell had been on high alert and that alien >bodies were brought on base to be autopsied that only one or two >medical personnel would have been called out to handle the >situation?

As I have said in another message, Kimballs testimony is just as meaningless as the public comments from people with TS security clearances such as Colonels on down at the Air Force who vehemently denied the existance of the Stealth fighter until the program was declassified. The bottom line is they did not have a need-to-know, so they were not told.

While you may attach great significance to Kimballs story, those who understand how the system works would realize its not significant whether it deals with bodies being brought in, or classified documents. The fact is he was not involved, nor did he know anything.

<snip>

>>It is likely that many people at the Roswell air base
>(including >highly decorated, higher ranking people, had
>absolutly no >knowledge about what happened because they did not
>have a >need-to-know and were not told.

>>Bottom line is just because a miltary person doesn't know, >>doesn't mean it didn't happen. Likewise if a military person is >>'quiet' about something it may mean he had no knowledge or it >>may mean he knew all about it and felt duty bound by his >>security clearances.

>I have never said or suggested that because Kimball didn't have >any knowledge of alien autopsies that bodies were ipso facto >never recovered at Roswell. What I have maintained all along is >that his testimony needs to be considered in the context of >claims to the contrary. I hate to keep repeating myself, but >what is so difficult to understand here?

If we follow your line of thinking, then we should consider the statements/testimony or whatever you want to call it, of the various Air Force and DOD people who emphatically and pointedly denied the existance of the Stealth fighter for 7 plus years. After all what they said should be considered in the historical context...! NOT. Again they are utterly meaningless.

>>Also keep in mind that a so called lower ranking person and or >>lessor person on the chain of command totem pole may in fact >>know much more because they were cleared, where as higher >>ranking officers or leaders were not cleared. Just because a >>person is or was not cleared for a particular subject doesn't >>make the person bad or evil, he or she just didn't have a >>need-to-know and was not cleared.

>Understood and kept in mind. But again, we're not talking about >a hypothetical, post facto situation here regarding the reading >of classified documents after the fact. We're talking about >breaking events. When Truman was swept up by the latter, he was >properly and promptly notified of the existence of the atomic >bomb.

Truman was notified because he had just become President, otherwise he wouldn't have been told or notified. Consider the fact that Colonel Paul Tibbits and some members of his squadron had clearances and access to information and data the Vice President of the US did not have. Gee whiz, it was wartime and gulliable people would expect that the VP would be told...especially during wartime! NOT

>If Roswell had gone on high alert and several alien bodies had >been brought to the base hospital, don't you think there's at >least a possibility -- if not a downright likelihood -- that >Kimball would have been made aware of same, indeed, alerted to >participate?

I would think they wouldn't want the base to go on high alert, after all it telegraphs a message that something is happening.

Picture being next to a STRATCOM base and you hear how bomber crews are being recalled from leave, and or key officers and or people are being recalled. Then the base goes on high alert status. Instantly tells everyone that lives around the base or town that something big is happening or going to happen. The better thing to do is keep it low key, use only people you absolutly have to have or need, let the base continue on as "normal" and do whatever you have to do quietly, with as few people as possible. Some instances that is not possible due to the magnitude of the event but others it is.

>And if not, why not? That's pretty much all you need concern >yourself with in this specific context.

Picture interviewing bomber crews that were stationed in the south Pacific at the end of World War 2 concerning the 509th. While most of them would tell interesting storys about what they did and the missions that they were on, they really couldn't contribute anything meaningful about the operations of the 509th because they weren't in the loop.

Now you start interviewing people who served in the 509th. Many people would 'know' things, but they wouldn't know 'everything' because many of them weren't told everything.

Same thing is true about Roswell. While Kimballs story may be very interesting it doesn't contribute anything.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Repeating Past Mistakes - Kelly

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>>Subject: Repeating Past Mistakes
>>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 22:49:42 +1100

>>Back in 1999 at a web site called The ScifiVine, I wrote about >>how we were thought of by other races in the Galaxy as being >>nothing more than a race of murderous barbarians and that we >>would never be allowed off this planet unless we changed our >>ways and some beliefs.

>I wonder if any other races in this or other galaxies hate >themselves as much as so many human beings seem to?

I dare say there would be other races, unfortunately I'm not in a position to ask questions like that first hand. But I sure would like to be able too.

Though I don't hate my race or us, we are who we are. I'm just pi__ed off at all the stupid mistakes we make and the fact we know better.

>>Money, guns, war, it is all humans seem to think about, besides
>>sex.

>So that pretty much finishes off art, literature, music, >philosophy, scientific enquiry, philanthropy, medicine and the >simple fact that most humans do seem to be able to rub along >quite happily without killing each other - despite all we have >witnessed lately.

Arr, now if this was all we were concerned with, then we would have little to worry about.

>>This leads me to the coming prophecies and one that stands out >>is about the end of Human Kind. If one reads or interprets the >>prophecies correctly, it does only say that Human Kind comes to >>an end as we know it now, and not all life on this planet- which >>is consistent with what has happened in the past.

>And there are a lot of people - like Mr Kelly - who seem to be >hardly able to conceal their glee at the thought! (BTW, what is >a "coming rophecy"? Is it a prophecy that hasn't been prophecied >yet? Even smarter than a regular prophecy!)

I'm not sure what a rophecy is,(typo?) but a prophecy is a prelude to a coming event. Which is said to be of sorts, a warning for the wise.

>>So is this coming doom nothing more than a big slap on the wrist
>>of us getting it wrong yet again? Can we ever get it right? It
>>is really sad when you think about it. We could be interacting
>>with other races, visiting other planets, learning about our
>>real past, (even though it might not be as grand as we would

>>hope for) doing things we only thought we could dream about. Yet
>>for a few selfish greedy mindless so and so's, none of this will
>>happen for us, it will only ever be a dream.

>Just so long as we don't get to interact to much with that >enlightened race which seems to be so keen on abducting us and >doing some rather unpleasant things to are innards.

That was my main concern, are we just being treated like some third world country is treated. Take what they want from us when they want it with no regard or respect for us by races like the Grey's? Are we nothing more than a play thing to them? Question I would really like to get answers to, should the opportunity ever arise.

>>I get depressed by all of this sometimes and wonder why I should
>>be stuck on this planet of losers? Knowing too much is sometimes
>>a curse and not a blessing. Being blissfully ignorant of such
>>things has its advantages. But I am human and one with all
>>others on this planet - part of the original sin. This original
>>sin... is it that many years ago we ventured to other planets
>>only to kill, plunder and return home with the spoils? It
>>wouldn't surprise me if this were the case.

>And I get depressed by people who, like Mr Kelly, live at a time >when the world is more peaceful - yes! - and prosperous for the >greatest number of people at any time in its history. Yes there >is a lot of misery happening around the world, but we're not >going to even begin to tackle it if we just sit around waiting >for some saviours from space to turn up and "interact" with us.

Most peaceful, prosperous time in history? Peaceful and prosperous for whom? Is it prosperous for the Tasmanian Aboriginal whom is now extinct? Or the Native people of the Amazon whom want nothing more than to be left alone by major oil companies? What about all the species that are now extinct? True it is peaceful for them, but not a very prosperous time. Only comets impacting on the Earth have killed off more species in one go than what has been killed off in the last 100 years by the West.

Yes you are right it is peaceful and prosperous for some, about 30 percent of the worlds population, but that is not what I would call a great achievement. When all creatures both great and small are included in your equation I will agree with the above remark, until then I will go on demanding we get our act together.

As for peaceful, I guess that depends on what part of the world you are from, ask a child from a third world country how peaceful their life is? I think many of them would disagree with your definition of a peaceful world.

>>Still, for some reason I hold a small glimmer of hope that one
>>day we might raise above our evil ways, lay down our fears, put
>>our faith in that which created us and not in weapons or money
>>and join the rest of the Universe.

>How about rising above our alleged evil ways through our own >efforts and letting the rest of the Universe just get on with >it's own affairs?

The problem seems to be that most planets are inhabited by races not unlike how our planet was some 5000 years ago. Now you cannot tell me that if some on this planet learnt about such a planet and were able to reach it with ease, that nothing would happen to the people of that planet?

Are you kidding, it would be a free-for-all, those poor people wouldn't stand a chance. A flag would placed in the ground and that planet would become the sole property of who ever it was that got there first. This is not acceptable, we nor anyone has the right to take advantage of a planet of people going about their lives, just because we could go there with guns and think we have the right to take what we want because in our eyes they are a lesser people doesn't make it right. This is something that has happen too often in our past and it seems to be something that would happen in the future if we don't change that way of thinking.

Even if we passed laws to outlaw this kind of thing happening

there would be those that would still go ahead and do it. This is what seems too worry many outside of this solar system, which is why their don't seem to want to take any chances of it happening to them.

If we didn't look like we could make it into space, I don't think they would give us a second thought, but we will be travelling out into space a lot sooner than many people think we will.

>>I did, however, argue a point with those that told me about such >>things as we did sort of go from horse and buggy to space travel >>in one hell of a short period. My argument was that perhaps we >>had been interfered with, lead down the path of destruction >>through no choice of our own.

>Maybe we are actually quite a clever species. I know this is a >difficult concept for some people to grasp. Curiously, the >people who have this attitude tend to be the people who like in >the most peaceful and prosperous parts of this planet. Maybe >they're not busy enough trying to improve their own lives by >their own efforts, like people in less fortunate areas, that >they have time to sit around and write stuff like this.

Clever, yes so clever we use fuels that do more harm than good even though there are other fuels we could be using. So clever that a creature that has been living in the same area for over 400 million years is made extinct for a shopping mall before we even know it existed. So clever we feed animals drugs to make them fatter then we eat these animals only later to find out we now have problems finding new drugs to treat drug restraint viruses because of the over use of drugs in the first place.

If we are so clever than why is it that we cannot see what it is we are doing could be wrong? Why do we think that a people living in a rain forest is wrong and they should be living like the rest of the West? Who says the way they live is wrong? The way they live will ensure they live many thousands of years and they have lived that way for many thousands of years. So who is the more clever them or us?

I do think we are a very clever people, it is just that the really clever ones aren't in control; it is the greedy mindless ones that have control.

Take Rockefeller for example, he brought oil to the world, it made him so rich. Then he had a near death experience, after which he wanted to undo all that he had done, stop the mining of oil and give away all of his money. His family thought he had gone mad and had him committed, he wasn't mad he was scared, scared for Human kind for he saw first hand during his near death experience what lay ahead for human kind because of oil. Most of what he saw has come true, great Wars did come about, many species are now extinct, both human and animal. pollution is a big problem, the world is at each other's throat. Discussions are made on the bases of what is best for making money, not what is best for all on this planet all because of oil.

So yes we can be very clever, but most of the time we let the really stupid ones make all the decisions.

>>I guess there is nothing more to say, but goodbye 21st century, >>hello Armageddon. Those that know about this have themselves a >>space ark or is that International Space Station? Not that I >>think it will do them much good, since by the time the dust >>settles they will have spent so long in space there will be no >>returning to the surface anyway. Though I wish them good luck.

>>So as Bender would say "Bring it on Baby!"

>As Rimmer would say, "Pur-leez!"

At the end of the day I am really doing nothing more than planting a seed for change. Well, I hope it may one day grow into a tree that helps us understand ourselves better. We as a race can do some very wonderful things but we can also do very terrible things, we need to understand this about ourselves, then look far into the future and ask ourselves are we headed in the right direction for if not, do we need to make changes? Re: Repeating Past Mistakes - Kelly

If we are this truly clever race many see us as, then this shouldn't be a hard thing to achieve. I don't expect to live in a perfect utopia, but the way we are living at the moment seems to favour the very few, not the very many and it hardly even includes or takes into consideration the other species we live here on Earth with let alone other races outside of our solar system. So I see us as needing to make some changes, am I asking too much of my fellow Human beings?

So yes Pur-leez! if you will for I am one that is sick or being referred to as "Those Monsters third planet from the sun, other side of the milky way, just look for the one with all the smoke and pollution on it."

Chris (Tophar)

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Signs of Life: On the Lookout for Extraterrestrial

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SETI: Search For Life

Signs of Life: On the Lookout for Extraterrestrial Sweet Spots

By Leonard David Senior Space Writer posted: 07:00 am ET 03 January 2002

BOULDER, COLORADO - Looking for life elsewhere is a tough task for human or robot. The good news is that the scientific skill and tools to search for, detect and inspect extraterrestrial life are advancing rapidly.

A revolution in the field of microbiology is afoot, along with extraordinary progress in understanding the "geobiological" history of Earth. And then there's growing amazement about life on this planet and how it can survive and thrive even in the most extreme and bizarre of environments. For example, within the last ten years alone, more than 1,500 new species of microorganisms have been discovered and genetically sequenced.

In a just issued report, Signs of Life, a multidisciplinary group of scientists grappled with techniques and technologies to detect evidence for extraterrestrial life - either on the spot on other worlds, or within prime pickings hauled back to Earth by robotic spacecraft.

Spurred largely by an April 2000 workshop held in Washington, D.C., report findings and conclusions were pulled together by the National Research Council (NRC) Committee on the Origins and Evolution of Life.

"The report is based on a workshop that brought together a healthy spectrum of senior experts and young researchers," says Jonathan Lunine, co-chair of the committee and professor of planetary science and physics at the University of Arizona in Tucson. Many of the workshop attendees are developing techniques to detect life, and modeling the environments in which such techniques might be used on other planets, he explains.

John Baross, associate professor of oceanography at the University of Washington in Seattle, also co-chairs the committee.

"The discussion was vigorous and exciting. This is a different world of life detection than that in 1976, at the time of Viking," Lunine told SPACE.com.

Lunine feels the key to success in life detection in the field is to try a range of techniques that vary in their specificity and need for prior assumptions about the nature of life. Doing so will maximize the chances for success in searches at the planet itself.

"With returned samples, of course, one should throw everything possible at the effort," Lunine explains.

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The Committee on the Origins and Evolution of Life, Lunine adds, is continuing its efforts with a study on the potential nature of life that might be very different from terrestrial=85and how one would go about detecting such life.

Elusive answers

Since the 1976 landings of two Viking landers on Mars, the technological ability to spot life on celestial bodies has made impressive strides. Furthermore, understanding the nature of life and the concomitant power of analytical tools in the biological sciences are viewed together as "one of the most dramatic changes since Viking," the NRC report states.

In coming to grips with the central question of what is life, the committee assumed that if life exists on other planets or moons, it will be carbon based and dependent on liquid water. Also, it will be self-replicating and capable of evolving.

The quest to find life beyond Earth involves answers to several tough questions. For instance, how does one determine if there are living organisms in a returned sample? Secondly, can living organisms leave tell tale traces from earlier times that can be found in a returned sample? Lastly, how does one determine whether there are living organisms or fossils in samples examined robotically on another solar system body?

Lessons from the "Mars rock"

Firm answers to these questions are elusive, reports the study group. There are great uncertainties regarding the possible range of chemistry and morphology that could constitute life.

The committee found that "there is a disconnect between those techniques that have been developed to an exquisite degree of sensitivity to identify terrestrial organisms and those that could provide the greatest probability of detecting exotic life forms from another planet."

"Given the extreme difficulty (or impossibility) of inductively describing all possible living processes based on terrestrial biochemistry, no single approach, or even combination of approaches, will guarantee success on a given sample."

That view has been brought home, quite literally, by the ongoing research of the often called "Mars rock" - the infamous ALH84001 meteorite. The claim of evidence for biological processes in that rock of ages from the red planet remains controversial and unresolved.

ALH84001 offers an important lesson in the fundamental complexity of identifying the faint traces of present biology or Martian life that is long gone.

"Perhaps even more difficult, if life or its remains is detected in a sample, will be the determination of whether it is a terrestrial containment from Earth, and if so, whether it was delivered by the spacecraft or in the natural process of cross-contamination via asteroidal or cometary impact," the committee report adds.

Sterile approach

Dispatching high-tech gear to scout for life -- and not drag along hitchhiking terrestrial microorganisms in the process -is a difficult challenge, the committee notes. Spacecraft must be sterilized to avoid tainting other planetary bodies with Earth biology - a situation tagged as "forward contamination."

There remains, however, "intense debate", the NRC report observes, over the level to which spacecraft sterilization should be achieved for missions to particular solar system bodies.

Firstly, sterilization must be done in such a way as to avoid damaging spacecraft components.

One procedure -- sterilization via dry heating in an oven -- was performed on the two Viking landers that searched for life on the red planet. However, that approach puts harsh demands on spacecraft components and leads to a substantial increase in mission cost and, possibly, the chances of mission failure, the report states.

Sterilization by particle irradiation of a space probe is an alternative. Yet this technique may not reach all spacecraft subsystems, particularly when the mission design dictates shielding electronic components from ambient sources of radiation. That type environment, for example, is found in the Jupiter system.

Another worry is that radiation-tolerant bacteria may dictate that irradiation levels exceed even the extraordinary levels to be experienced during the prime mission phase of, say, a mission to Jupiter's moon, Europa.

Titan: cold soak

Regaining access to all parts of a spacecraft before launch to assure that sterilization has taken place is an unsolved problem, the committee reports.

Flagged in the report is the very compact Huygens probe now en route to Saturn. The lander is to be dropped off on that planet's mysterious moon, Titan, by the Cassini interplanetary spacecraft after arrival in 2004.

The European Space Agency-built probe was not sterilized to a high standard on the grounds that the profoundly cold Titan environment would sterilize the lander soon after landing. "Yet Titan is itself a target for investigating advanced stages of organic chemistry that on Earth might have led to life," the report notes.

In the area of spacecraft cleanliness, the committee encourages further work to refine sterilization approaches, with an eye toward minimizing impacts on spacecraft cost and mission success.

Hauling back the goods

Another hotly debated topic is that of back contamination, whereby extraterrestrial samples brought back might harm biological processes here on Earth.

At issue is whether organisms "out there" might exist that are sufficiently different from terrestrial organisms "down here" to escape laboratory detection, yet similar enough to pose a threat to the health of our biosphere.

"In the debates about life detection and back contamination, this 'niche' has not been explored to the extent that it should be - in part because of the difficulties in answering the question," the committee report states.

The committee recommends that a focused study be done in the near future to address the detection of microorganisms with varying degrees of nonterrestrial biochemistry, and the possible threat that such organisms might pose to terrestrial organisms.

Similar in view from past studies on back contamination, the committee report states that there are practical and societal reasons for ensuring planetary protection for all interplanetary missions.

"Although the probability that an extraterrestrial life form could be pathogenic to humans, or even viable at all in the terrestrial environment, is very low, it cannot be shown to be zero," the report says.

Back in the lab

Due to the myriad of technical woes to overcome in returning samples back to Earth, much of the search for life elsewhere may initially be done "in situ", that is, on the spot, by robots.

One problem.

Many of the powerful and sensitive techniques for detecting life in laboratories here on Earth are not yet "space rated". That is, they are far too big, complex, and not ready for prime time flight. That condition may remain so, at least in the near Signs of Life: On the Lookout for Extraterrestrial

future.

Because of the continuing rapid improvements in technology, the committee reports, it is not appropriate to recommend a specific set of techniques for in situ life detection at this time. Pressing on with the design of innovative and "miniaturizable" techniques for in situ life detection is encouraged.

It is an almost certainly that the most interesting locales from the point of view of the search for life will not be the easiest to get to. Finding those comfy niches that could be just right for life today, or were in the past, suggests the committee, is likely to mean landing in less-than-totally-safe sites.

"It remains unclear as to which environments in our solar system should be searched for signs of life," the committee found, beyond the general identification of planetary targets - such as Mars, Europa, and Titan. "In large measure, we yet do not known enough about these bodies to target searches in particular locations."

Picking those extraterrestrial sweet spots will require a series of missions, including orbital reconnaissance, followed by up-close-and-personal perusals using landed vehicles.

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Much More Mothman

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Loren Coleman's New Book:

'Mothman And Other Curious Encounters'

http://www.lorencoleman.com/mothman.html

An interview with Loren Coleman:

http://www.13thstreet.com/site/common/view-content.jsp?id=ae8c3-eb77e-de460c2cd5§ion=Features&R_N=9900

The Movie:

'The Mothman Prophecies' - in North American theatres January 25th

http://www.spe.sony.com/movies/mothman/

A Mothman Retrospective:

http://www.blather.net/archives2/issue2no5.html

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Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <<u>Lehmberg</u>@snowhill.com> Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 07:00:27 -0600 Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 08:47:29 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Lehmberg

>Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 20:09:40 -0600 >Subject: Re: New Year Agenda >From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 08:58:48 -0600

>>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 10:26:40 EST
>>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

>>><snip>

>>>>Dennis -

>>>>This is really a very good point and one that I've thought about >>>>quite a bit.

>>I'll read Dr. Randle's post again, but it seemed to me that that
>>was merely an opening phrase beginning the well reasoned and
>>detailed dismemberment of your shot from the hip, shallowly
>>conjectured, and suspiciously disruptive cynicism.

>No, Alfred, it was actually a really very good point and one >that Randle himself had thought about quite a bit, just like he >said.

Wild blueberry horse feathers, Mr. Stacy. You took the opening phrase of his concise but detailed rebuttal and quoted it out of context as a joke to lighten a debate you were losing, continue to lose, and ultimately can't _help_ but lose.

>I mean, I knew you wouldn't believe me, but I thought you might >believe him.

It's not about a question of mere belief, Mr. Stacy. It's about weighing the strength, reasoning, and validity of your arguments against those of your opponents and finding your opponents arguments banging off the base of the metaphoric instrument with the vigor of some objective finality! Maybe you should take my advise about the supplemental oxygen.

>Guess not.

... it's not about "guessing" either.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com
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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put

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one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Hall

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Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 15:46:21 +0000
Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 11:24:09 -0500
Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall - Hall

>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 23:21:14 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer</u>@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall

>>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 00:54:47 EST
>>Subject: Re: The Measure Of Dick Hall
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>Personally I can reasonably doubt. Just because you get a grant
>>does not mean you automatically have access to any and all
>>information in the hands of the people giving the grant. Even
>>without the information a person getting a grant could do an
>>indepth job.

>>Wasn't Stan Friedman given a grant by the FUND for research into >>the MJ-12 documents? If so was he given full and complete access >>to every particle of information and or videos in the hands of >>the fund as part of his research?

>If not why not? Why would anyone say, I want to pay you to >research documents about X, Y or Z - but not the one's I've got.

>Sounds pretty stupid to me, whether it's Friedman or Pflock who >has been put in that position.

John,

You know not whereof you speak. In the first place, the Fund supports only specific, independent proposals for research carefully delineated by contractual agreement, not studies of our own files.

In the second place, the situation was not as Pflock stated. Our contract with him had nothing to do with the videotapes; I just reviewed that contract and am continuing to research this whole affair to be sure of my facts.

The same applies to Friedman; his contract was to do specified independent research.

- Dick

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Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
Date: 4 Jan 2002 08:49:43 -0800
Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 12:23:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space - Cameron

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>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 23:14:32 EST
>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>Date: 2 Jan 2002 13:07:15 -0800
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy</u>@altavista.com>
>>Subject: Re: Marcia Smith On Future of Space

>>Here is the story. Oberg has talked to her about it, but Oberg >>dares not speak lest he cast Marcia Smith adrift in a leaky life

>Its also possible that she in fact never said the things >attributed to her by Sheehan.

This assumes, Sheehan, a prominent lawyer in Washington over the last 30 years got up one morning and decided to make up some bizarre tale about a weird subject that does not promote his mission one bit. More than that, his made up story names two prominent people in Washington science circles as being involved. Possible. Yes, but don't bet the farm on it.

>>Marcia Smith has never spoken publically on what she told
>>Sheehan about the Bush/Carter affair, nor about what files she
>>made available to Daniel Sheehan to view in mid 1977. She has
>>not spoken publically on the two reports Sheehan claims were
>>authored for President Carter. Marcia has said NOTHING, despite
>>an rumors you may have heard.

>The point being is that she has said nothing, and will continue >to say nothing... likely because she has nothing to say about >the subject.

She has said nothing because she has never been directed approached. This is about to change.

<snip>

>Perhaps it is true, perhaps it isn't. He can tell the story 100s >of times and it still doesn't necessarly make it true. Recall >also the famous quote "I did not have sexual relations with that >woman..." told very publicly in front of hundreds of cameras, >broadcast globally, and re-run endlessly. Didn't change the fact >it was not correct.

>Apparently, in essence, other then "Sheehan has said..." we can >get no independent confirmation, either through Congressional >records, or the questioning of people involved, say Marcia >Smith, so the bottom line is just another story being told in >Ufology about allegedly seeing classified records, photos of >aliens and so forth, all that can't be verified.

He has told the story consistantly over the couple years he has told it. You have posted twice and have already made a major error in fact. Sheehan, in all his tellings of this story, never once mentioned "photos of aliens". This is a further indicator that Sheehan is probably telling it as it happened. Grant

"It's always difficult to strike a balance between the public's right to know and NASA's need for candor", said Marcia Smith, a space policy senior analyst at the Congressional Research Service in Washington, DC., as quoted by James Oberg

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'UFO/FBI Connection' Now Texbook

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Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 12:25:19 -0500

Subject: 'UFO/FBI Connection' Now Texbook

I have been informed that the UFO/FBI Connection has been selected as a textbook for use in the UFO course taught at Temple University by Dr. David Jacobs.

And, thanks to Dave, perhaps there will be new blood in ufology after all (all we greybeards now have hope!).

see:

http://brumac.8k.com or amazon.com

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More Montana Mutilations

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http://www.greatfallstribune.com/news/stories/20020103/topstories/1410092.ht=
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Thursday, January 3, 2002

Cattle Mutilations Back

Ranchers, lawmen baffled by crime wave

By KATIE OYAN Tribune Staff Writer

 \mbox{CONRAD} - This is the kind of d=E9ja vu Everett King could do without.

About 15 years ago, he discovered the grisly remains of one of his cattle that had died mysteriously.

In October, it happened again.

King said it looked as though a surgeon had sliced into his 7-year-old Charolais, the way its right eye and ear were cut off - not to mention the way its reproductive organs had been cored.

What King finds most unusual, however, is that two months later the carcass lies right where he found it, untouched.

"Predators won't eat it," said King, who ranches outside Valier, south of Lake Frances. "It should have been cleaned up and gone a long time ago."

Ranchers reported four mutilations between June and August. Since then, there have been 11 more, and investigators are still searching for answers.

The same bizarre circumstances haunted area ranchers and baffled law enforcement 20 years ago, sparking rumors about UFOs, cults and government conspiracies.

The mutilations went away in the '90s but began again this summer.

The most recent victim - a 12-year-old Hereford - turned up earlier this month on a ranch northwest of Conrad.

"They skinned off the belly from her front legs to her back legs all the way around," Pondera County Sheriff's Deputy Dan Campbell said. "The complete bag was removed."

The last few mutilations occurred within three miles of each other in the Dry Forks area, about 10 or 15 miles west of Conrad.

In October, members of the New Miami Colony, 18 miles west of Conrad, discovered two mutilated cows at the same time, about 30 yards apart.

The scenes were remarkably similar to mutilations ranchers reported here more than a decade ago, Campbell said.

Most of the cows had the skin scraped off their faces. Often, the tongue, one eye and all or part of an ear had been removed. Part of the udder usually was cut off, as well as the genitals. And in most cases, the anus had been cored.

A majority of the cows were 4 or 5; one was missing its teeth.

In the late '70s, a high volume of alleged mutilations in southwestern states prompted a federally funded investigation. The resulting 300-page report concluded that animal predators were responsible.

Although some dismiss the Pondera County deaths as a hoax or chalk them up to natural causes and predators, Campbell and fellow investigator Sheriff's Deputy Dick Dailey say they aren't convinced.

Cuts on the cows are often circular or oval and - as with Everett King's Charolais - seem to be made with surgical precision.

The animals seem to bloat faster than normal, and their missing hide doesn't reflect the work of predators, Campbell said.

"I've never seen an animal eat just the face off a cow when there's lots of other stuff to go after," he said.

One mutilated cow looked like it had been burned. Another seemed to have bruises around its neck as though it had been strangled. One had a long cut with a perfectly ridged edge, as though the hide had been sliced with a tool similar to pinking shears.

Also strange is that in most cases, no tracks or footprints were detected around the animals' bodies, even in mud or snow.

A misconception is that the cows have been drained of blood. Natural coagulation only makes it look like the creatures' fluids have been drained, Dailey said.

Dailey, who lives in Dupuyer, spent several nights this fall camped out in dark fields, trying to catch the culprit in the act. He has reviewed all the facts and checked out dozens of Web sites looking for answers.

Still, nothing.

"I've read everything I can read on it, and I really don't know what in the heck it is," he said.

Ranchers aren't sure what to think, either.

In September, Jim VandenBos discovered the body of one of his \$850 2-year-old Angus lying dead in his pasture.

The right side of its face was skinned, and the exposed jawbone was so smooth it looked like it had been polished, VandenBos said.

Its tongue was cut off along with its right ear, eye and reproductive organs. A tennis-ball-sized patch of skin on its shoulder was hard like plastic.

Again, coyotes - even other cattle - steered clear.

VandenBos has been ranching southwest of Valier for more than 30 years and remembers the last wave of mutilations well.

"It's kind of a spooky thing", he said. "I haven't worried about it too much because it's something I can't control - but I'd like to find an explanation."

Toward the end of October, a neighbor found the 750-pound steer that died in Glen and Ruby Bouma's dry creek bed, three miles west of Conrad.

"There was a little trail of grass pushed up like it was shoved up underneath it.", Ruby Bouma said.

The hide was missing from the calf's stomach and its reproductive organs were gone, but there were no tracks, no

bullet holes and no claw marks.

The calf, No. 55, was almost a year old and was worth about \$600. It was one of the friendliest animals the Boumas owned.

A local vet said it died of dust pneumonia, but Glen and Ruby have their doubts.

"That's possible, because it's so dry.", Ruby Bouma said. "But I think we would have known if it was sick. We took special notice because it was one of two calves that were like pets to us. It would come up and smell your hand or your pantleg."

The whole thing is peculiar, if you ask the Boumas. When a cow dies of natural causes, for instance, predators will usually chew into its flesh.

Glen and Ruby's calf was missing only its hide. And when they checked on Thanksgiving Day, predators still were keeping their distance.

Some folks in the area think the U.S. Air Force or aliens are behind the mutilations, but not Ruby.

"I'm sorry, but I personally think it's somebody local ... that's doing it for kicks," she said.

One difficulty local investigators have encountered in cracking the case is gathering evidence.

After two or three days, collecting evidence becomes a lost cause because the cattle are so badly decomposed.

And in the summer, carcasses rot faster and often go undiscovered for weeks.

"We have to fight time," Campbell said. "We're hoping that this time of year, ranchers are gathering and feeding every day so we'll get a better jump on them and come up with some more clues."

Pondera sheriff's deputies also are hoping a Nevada laboratory will answer some of their questions.

This fall, Campbell and Dailey chopped the head off a mutilated cow, packed it in dry ice and shipped it to the National Institute for Discovery Science in Las Vegas.

The privately funded institute pays scientists and retired police officers to investigate bizarre phenomena including mutilations and UFO sightings.

A spokesman from the institute said researchers are nearly finished with their study and will be sending a copy of the report to the Pondera County sheriff's office in a couple of weeks.

"If they could come up with something, that would really help us." Dailey said.

Until investigators reach a satisfactory conclusion, theories continue to spread through local coffee shops and bars.

Some say the mutilations are a government ploy to get Montanans' minds off global issues. Others finger satanic cults or spaceships.

Most say they don't believe in all that eerie X-Files stuff. But even some of the staunchest skeptics are beginning to wonder.

"I just can't believe little men are coming from outer space.", said Conrad resident Jack Rowekamp, a retired bus driver and custodian. "But I guess you never know."

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UFO COVER-UP REVEALED

The British Government had its own version of the X-Files, and for decades denied the fact. Only through the dogged perseverance of a Yorkshire researcher did they eventually come to light, as STEPHEN BISCOE reports.

AT the height of the Cold War, UFO fever was so rampant in the UK that the Ministry of Defence set up a secret working party to try to establish if Earth really was under observation by visiting aliens.

It involved experts from the Directorate of Scientific Intelligence and the Joint Technical Intelligence Committee, and eventually they produced a report. Then the MoD spent the next 49 years denying it ever existed.

Yesterday, the Public Record Office (PRO) made the papers public, but only after their existence had been admitted to a local government Press officer.

Had it not been for Dr David Clarke, it is unlikely that they would have come to light.

Clarke combines his local government job with an academic career which has made him one of the country's leading folklore experts.

A researcher at the National Centre for English Cultural Tradition at Sheffield University, he is the author of several books on a range of folkloric traditions.

His latest book Out of the Shadows, to be published in May by Piatkus, draws on the two years of research he has been carrying out for a post-doctoral study.

In the course of it, he came across references in official government documents to the report of the secret working party set up on Churchill's orders in 1950 to investigate reports of UFO sightings.

In 1980, the 30-year rule ended its term of confidentiality but the rule was ignored and it remained secret. Clarke says, in fact, that he was repeatedly told by the MoD that no such report existed; it even denied the existence of the working party. Yet the Sheffield researcher was still coming across references to both.

He was being lied to - and so was Parliament. In 1955 and again in 1962, the Yorkshire Conservative MP Major Sir Patrick Wall asked questions in the House about the report, and each time was told that there had been no formal study.

Those who knew otherwise might have thought it contained such startling data that the Government dared not risk causing panic by making it public.

Clarke was certainly so intrigued that he kept up his pesterings until eventually, in May last year, the MoD actually admitted that the report did exist - and furthermore, allowed him see it.

What he read astounded him because nothing in it even hinted thatthe researchers believed in an extra-terrestrial invasion. Indeed, the authors dismissed the claims of UFO sightings as "optical illusions and psychological delusions" - or just plain hoaxes.

They wrote: "We consider that no progress will be made by attempting further investigation of unco-ordinated and subjective evidence, and that positive results could only be obtained by organising throughout the country, or the world, continuous observation of the skies by a co-ordinated network of visual observers, equipped with photographic apparatus, and supplemented by a network of radar stations and sound locators."

They concluded: "We should regard this, on the evidence so far available, as a singularly profitless enterprise. We accordingly recommend very strongly that no further investigation of reported mysterious aerial phenomena be undertaken, unless and until some material evidence becomes available."

One of the cases they examined involved Flight Lieutenant Stan Hubbard from York who, in 1950, described having seen, on two different occasions, "a flat disc, light pearl grey in colour, about 50 feet in diameter" flying low over the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough at speeds of 800mph to 1,000mph.

The authors of the report said: "We find it impossible to believe that a most unconventional aircraft, of exceptional speed, could have travelled at no great altitude, in the middle of a fine summer morning, over a populous and air-minded district like Farnborough, without attracting the attention of more than one observer."

Hubbard did not know about this conclusion until Dave Clarke tracked him down to his home in Virginia and sent him a copy of the report. He reacted angrily to its dismissive tone. Hubbard said that at the second sighting, a few weeks later, he was with five other test pilots on the roof of the control tower waiting for one of their colleagues to make a landing - and all of them saw it.

One of the five was Wing Commander Frank Jolliffe, and Clarke has spoken to him, too. Jolliffe said he was interviewed by MoD agents who appeared to be taking his account seriously - and until he saw the report, he had gone on assuming that that had been the case.

After the MoD allowed Clarke to see the report last May, it was sent to the Public Record Office which released it on Wednesday along with the 1901 Census and other once-confidential documents.

Clarke says: "The fact that it has taken half a century for these papers to come to light shows how keen the MoD have been to conceal their interest in the subject of UFOs.

"Rather than coming clean at the time, they decided to keep the contents of this report secret, which has given rise to all the claims of Government cover-ups and conspiracies that lie behind the X-Files mythology.

"What they were covering up was not knowledge of alien visitors, but simply the fact that they did not have any real answers.

"At that time, at the height of the Cold War, flying saucers could have been Russian aircraft or missiles and so a policy of silence was thought to be the safest policy.

"These papers show there was a cover-up, but it was a cover-up of ignorance not of any secret knowledge."

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Re: Roswell 'Threads' - Gehrman

From: Ed Gehrman <eqehrman@psln.com>
Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 11:50:05 -0800
Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 16:54:35 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell 'Threads' - Gehrman

>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 19:45:16 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>Subject: Roswell 'Threads'

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Re: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 18:05:42 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 17:31:28 -0500
Subject: Re: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank - Friedman

>Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 12:51:58 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

>>Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 09:08:42 -0500
>>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers >>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: UFO UpDate: BBC News: 'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

>>Source: BBC News

>>http://news.bbc.co.uk/hi/english/uk/newsid 1740000/1740189.stm

>>Thursday, 3 January, 2002, 10:18 GMT

>>'UFO Unit' Drew Blank

>>There have been many sightings in the UK The Ministry of Defence >>set up a unit to look at UFO sightings in the 1950s but found no >>evidence of aliens, newly-released official documents have >>revealed.

>>The joint group was formed in 1951 after a spate of sightings in >>Sweden and the US sparked a "notable outbreak" of reports in the >>UK.

>>But the experts from the Directorate of Scientific Intelligence
>>and the Joint Technical Intelligence Committee dismissed the
>>prospect of alien arrivals.

>>They said sightings were "optical illusions and psychological
>>delusions" - or just plain hoaxes.

<snip>

>>But conspiracy theorists sticking to the idea of a transatlantic >>cover-up of alien activity are likely to pick up on the fact >>some parts of the dossier are still withheld.

>The BBC of course would think nothing odd about parts of a
>dossier being withheld - unless of course it had to do with
>their annual budget being cut and the reasons for same
>were withheld. And they are babes in the woods to be sure if
>they don't think that people and governments conspire.

>Notice how that word gets tossed about these days - one of those >politically incorrect words. I see it bandied about even in our >provincial legislature, particularly whenever a cabinet minister >doesn't want to answer a question. "That honourable member sees >conspiracies everywhere, Mr. Speaker."

>Note though that the BBC did pick up on the fact that parts of >the dossier were withheld. Why wouldn't they ask why?

>Don Ledger

Good questions Don.

Does anyone know the security level of the material that was released?

How in the world would these characters know that nobody else saw the event mentioned near Farnborough? Did they make a serious effort with requests through the media for other observers to report? Or was this another example of absence of evidence is evidence for absence? Little late now to go looking.

I remember, in Southern California, getting 30 responses to a Letter To The Editor from me in a local paper, stimulated by 2 calls to me. Turned out to be a plastic bag with candles, but all the observations were consistent and quite accurate. Many had tried to report what they saw, but were laughed at by police, radio stations, etc... Often there were many witnesses to the event.

Stan Friedman

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Secrecy News - 01/04/02

From: Steven Aftergood <<u>saftergood@fas.org</u>> Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 14:22:01 -0500 Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 09:15:08 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News - 01/04/02

SECRECY NEWS from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy Volume 2002, Issue No. 2 January 4, 2002

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NUCLEAR POSTURE REVIEW STILL CLASSIFIED

The Bush Administration's long-awaited Nuclear Posture Review, which defines the structure of the U.S. nuclear arsenal and proposes "a significant change" to it, was transmitted to Congress on December 31, but only in classified form.

"I have asked our folks to see if we can take that classified version and declassify it," said Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld at a January 3 press briefing. "Because of its importance and because of the new direction it takes, I think it belongs in the public in some form." See:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/npr.html

DOE IG FAULTS NUCLEAR WEAPON INSPECTIONS

The Department of Energy has not investigated defects and malfunctions in nuclear weapons in a timely fashion, according to a recent DOE Inspector General (IG) report.

"In some instances, confirming the need for an investigation took over 300 working days," according to the report. "Once initiated, the majority of investigations examined [by the IG] were open more than one year."

The findings "raise serious concerns about the process the Department has employed to maintain a satisfactory confidence level in the nuclear weapons stockpile."

The December 18 report is posted here:

http://www.ig.doe.gov/pdf/ig-0535.pdf

See also "Report Finds Shortcomings in Energy Dept. Arms Testing" by Walter Pincus in the January 3 Washington Post:

http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A54073-2002Jan2.html

SOME REAGAN PAPERS RELEASED

Eight thousand pages of Reagan Administration papers were unsealed January 3 out of 68,000 pages that are subject to the Presidential Records Act.

The partial release came pursuant to a Bush Administration executive order which imposes new restrictions on public access to such records.

A detailed inventory of the new release is available here:

http://www.reagan.utexas.edu/p5inv010302.htm

Despite the release, "The legality of the [Bush] executive order is still very much a live issue," according to Scott Nelson of Public Citizen, who represents a coalition of historians and public interest organizations that have filed suit to challenge the Bush order. See:

http://www.citizen.org/pressroom/release.cfm?ID=979

WHAT ABOUT THE CIA?

The terrorist attacks of September 11 clearly rank among the biggest failures of U.S. intelligence.

Put another way, the events of September 11 are bound to hold extraordinarily important lessons for every aspect of intelligence, from structure and function to interagency coordination to personnel, information dissemination, and so on. The very definition of intelligence - its essential attributes and whom it is supposed to serve - may be ripe for reconsideration.

Yet the lessons of September 11 may go unlearned because of the positive aversion in official Washington to asking the questions about intelligence that need to be asked. An attempt to establish a statutorily-based investigative commission was recently derailed in the House of Representatives.

"The reason for drawing heightened attention to this single greatest failure of American intelligence since Pearl Harbor is that no official steps have so far been taken to find out how it could have happened," writes Thomas Powers in the latest New York Review of Books.

Powers presents the views of CIA's most ardent critics: "a vocal group of former intelligence officers - mostly young, mostly field officers from the Directorate of Operations, mostly well-respected and destined for solid careers until they chose to leave - who believe that the CIA is in steep decline."

But even those who disagree with those critics told Powers that what ails the CIA cannot be remedied without a thorough and officially sanctioned investigation.

See "The Trouble with the CIA" by Thomas Powers in the New York Review of Books (17 January 2002) here:

http://www.nybooks.com/articles/15109

Last month, Senators Joseph Lieberman and John McCain announced their own initiative to establish an investigation of the events of September 11.

"With the first stage of the war against terrorism now drawing to a close," said Senator Lieberman on December 20, "and with many perplexing questions still before us, we must now begin in earnest the process of finding answers to how it happened."

Accordingly, Senators Lieberman and McCain introduced a pending bill (S. 1867) to establish the "National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States." See:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2001_cr/s1867.html

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Re: More Montana Mutilations

From: Jean Meiners <<u>legalco@uswest.net></u>
Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 18:50:54 -0700
Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 09:29:18 -0500
Subject: Re: More Montana Mutilations

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>To: <- UFO UpDates Subscribers ->
>Sent: Friday, January 04, 2002 1:52 PM
>Subject: UFO UpDate: More Montana Mutilations

>Source: Great Falls Tribune [Montana] OnLine

>http://www.greatfallstribune.com/news/stories/20020103/topstories/1410092.=

html

>Thursday, January 3, 2002

>Cattle Mutilations Back

>Ranchers, lawmen baffled by crime wave

>By KATIE OYAN >Tribune Staff Writer

 $> \mbox{CONRAD}$ – This is the kind of d=E9ja vu Everett King could do $> \mbox{without.}$

>About 15 years ago, he discovered the grisly remains of one of >his cattle that had died mysteriously.

>In October, it happened again.

<snip>

I am from Great Falls, Montana - Cascade County - and the animal mutilations occur all the time.

As far as the 70's are concerned, around a camping area called 'Jumping Creek', many ranchers' private land butts up to the federal lands there. It was so common at the time the locals didn't even raise an eyebrow.

But, the most fascinating thing that we found - myself and Air Force Lt. husband - was that the military were always on scene. They wouldn't allow us into the area until they were through.

Great Falls and area also has high numbers for Big Foot and UFO sightings.

Malmstrom Air Force Base is about 2 1/2 miles north of the town.

Jean Meiners

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: **Dennis Stacy** <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net> Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 20:13:59 -0600 Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 09:30:54 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 19:04:38 -0500
>From: Bruce Maccabee <<u>brumac@compuserve.com></u>
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
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>what Casey had told him in the early 80's (paraphrase):

>"It is true that Gates knew nothing of it. Casey told me 'I
>don't tell Gates everything."

>End Of Story

Bruce,

The only problem with this story is that we don't know if the CIA Curmudgeon told Congress the truth or not. Nor do we know if Gates was telling the truth or not. Maybe he was merely trying to save his own behind.

But assuming everybody's telling the truth, we still don't know if Casey specifically told Gates about Iran-Contra or not. For all we know, Casey could have told Gates about Iran-Contra, but not the part about UFOs.

In which case everyone involved would have been truthful.

But it still wouldn't be the End of the Story.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 21:38:23 -0600 Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 09:32:37 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 00:07:19 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

<snip>

>Same thing is true about Roswell. While Kimballs story may be >very interesting it doesn't contribute anything.

Robert,

We'll have to agree to disagree on that one. I think it does contribute something in the context of whether the base was under general alert at that time (as some have alleged), and whether there was unusual activity at the hospital (which some have alleged), which is where you would think bodies would have been brought, if only to be prepared for immediate transport elsewhere. (And I guess you wouldn't need any medical supplies for that, which Kimball seems to have been in charge of.)

But on to another aspect. Do you happen to know when compartmentalization and its need-to-know corollary became official policy within the US intelligence establishment?

In other words, when it would have been official policy _not_ to inform Truman of the existence of the atom bomb? Or was he not informed out of personal and/or political reasons on Roosevelt's (or his advisors') part?

I realize we've always had chain-of-command and similar procedures to protect sensitive intelligence, but when did compartmentalization and need-to-know become officially institutionalized?

I recently read the second volume of a new two-volume biography of Hitler (the name of the author of which escapes me, but he's an Englishman and I believe the book is called "Nemesis" etc.). If memory serves, the author credited Hitler with the invention of both.

When was it established in the US and given an official oversight structure? Who, in other words, would have been in charge of determining who had a need to know?

Maybe Friedman or Randle could weigh in here? The obvious answer would seem to be Gen. Lesley Grove and the Manhattan Project. But that could have been a case of personal fiat and project structure for all I know, not necessarily established operating policy.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: New Year Agenda - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com> Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 01:41:37 EST Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 09:34:46 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Mortellaro

>Date: Thu, 03 Jan 2002 16:50:29 -0600 >Subject: Re: New Year Agenda >From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@rocler.qc.ca></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 20:51:05 -0500

><snip>

>>Your evident knowledge that secrets cannot be kept has evidently >>escaped the poor slobs who still think that things still remain >>unknown after 40 years.

>>Please contact them at:

>><u>http://www.cia.gov/cia/contact.htm#web</u>

>>The CIA needs you.

>Serge,

>I thought you knew that I already worked for the CIA.

>Oops, guess the secret is out now!

Dear Serge, List, Errol,

Dammit, Serge, why the heck did you have to raise this issue. Now everyone knows about this Stacey character. Well, (sighs) I suppose that I must now reveal yet another secret. I mean, since Stacey is an agent for the CIA, and every CIA operative has a handler, I confess. I, Gesundt, the greatest voice ever to live in Jim's head, admits to being Dennis Stacey's Handler.

Now you know... the... rest... of the story. And if you should desire more information, just write me. But please keep it all under your hat. Dennis up 'til now, didn't know he had one. And it is written (somewhere) that we are known for the fiends... friends, sorry... we keep.

Jim for Dr. G.

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Re: New Year Agenda - Friedman

From: **Stan Friedman** <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 08:58:16 -0400 Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 09:37:07 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Friedman

>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 19:04:38 -0500 >From: Bruce Maccabee <<u>brumac@compuserve.com</u>> >Subject: Re: New Year Agenda >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Wed, 2 Jan 2002 10:40:46 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>>Date: Tue, 01 Jan 2002 16:37:20 -0600
>>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

><snip>

>>>[Kimball] My response: I am at a loss to understand how you can >>>state that I had no clearance to the flight line or hangars. The >>>fact is, I had a Top Secret clearance and was very often on the >>>flight line and in many of the hangars for a variety of reasons, >>>including participation in training programs, familiarization >>programs, and taking actual flights in different aircraft, >>>including training missions. Also, staff meetings were held by >>Major Comstock for the express purposes of sharing information >>>about what was going on not only at the hospital but on the base >>in general and to discuss any unusual problems. I did not >>>perform my duties, and there were many, in a vacuum.

>>Dennis, List, all -

>>Let me make a few observations here. First, a top secret >>clearance does not mean automatic clearance to see all top >>secret material. There is such a thing as need to know which >>disqualifies many who hold top secret clearances from getting >>into material that they have no need to know .

>My favorite story about 'need to know' goes like this. I heard >this on TV/radio _many_ years ago so I may have some details >wrong, but here goes.

>In the early 80's under Reagan, Bill Casey was DCI (Director of >Central Intelligence). His 2nd in command was one Robert " >Bobby" Gates. You will recall all the Iran/Contra nasty stuff >that was going on in those days (supporting a revolution in >Nicaragua in spite of Congressional direction to NOT fund any >such thing, as I recall).

>Anyway, Casey died. In the latter half of the '80's Bobby was up >in front of Congress to be approved as DCI. Nasty congressman >were throwing the Iran Contra affair at Gates, claiming that he >was involved and hence had no moral authority to be DCI---- of >something like that. Gates was denying involvement, saying he >knew nothing of the particular affair that some Congressmen were >trying to pin around his neck. The Congressmen couldn't believe >that Gates was innocent... after all he was #2 at the agency. >_Surely_he_would_have_known_everything_about_IRAN_CONTRA_! (It's >only _logical_ you know!) (Can't you just see some Congressman >pounding hius shoe on the desk as he emphasizes this point?) Now >we come to the reason for this story:

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Let me add another example of compartmentalization at very high levels.

Historian Stephen E. Ambrose in his fascinating 1981 book 'Ike's Spies: Eisenhower and the Espionage Establishment' on pages 240 and 241 talks of the 5412 committee chaired by MJ-12 member Gordon Gray and including the Secretaries of State and Defense and the DCI. No covert action could be taken without their approval. These actions would not go before the full National Security Council because "it was a whole big roomful of people".

Shades of McCoy's Secret (not Top Secret code word) briefing to a USAF Scientific Advisory Panel.

Stan Friedman

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Re: New Year Agenda - Pflock

From: Karl Pflock <<u>Ktperehwon@aol.com></u>
Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 10:24:37 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 11:34:03 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Pflock

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 01:41:37 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

Jim et al,

>Gesundt, the greatest voice ever to live >in Jim's head, admits to being Dennis Stacey's Handler.

Gesundt lies! It is I, Kurt Peters, who is Stacy's case officer.

-- MJ-13.572

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Re: New Year Agenda - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u> Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 12:03:53 EST Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 16:05:43 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Randle

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>>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 00:07:19 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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All we need to look to is the breaking of the Japanese codes during the Second World War. Access was limited to just a few people in very high places. When they learned that Yamamoto was going to be flying close to the front lines during an inspection tour, they had to decide whether it was worth the risk to attack his plane and risk the compromise of "Magic" (the code name for the Japanese intercepts and not to be confused with "Majic") or let the airplane go. The decision had to be made in the White House with those flying the mission never knowing how it was discovered.

In the Southwest Pacific, commanded by MacArthur, only he and his chief of intelligence, Brigadier General Charles A. Willoughby (See the Combined Fleet Decoded by John Prados) knew about the existence of Magic, which means it was a closely held, closely guarded, compartmentalized secret.

Given that Magic developed before the war began, and worked through the war, we know that this sort of secret (or top secret for those who like to split hairs) was compartmentalized even if it wasn't called by that name.

What this demonstrates is that there are secrets and then there are secrets and some are closely held and kept and others are widely held and leak. One of the great fears was that the Japanese would learn that we could read many of their coded messages and change the codes. The ability to read their codes lead directly to the victory at Midway, which provides some perspective as to its importance.

KRandle

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Re: New Year Agenda - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@rocler.qc.ca></u> Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 14:08:58 -0500 Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 16:08:47 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Salvaille

>From: Karl Pflock <<u>Ktperehwon@aol.com</u>> >Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 10:24:37 EST >Subject: Re: New Year Agenda >To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 01:41:37 EST
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>Jim et al,

>>Gesundt, the greatest voice ever to live
>>in Jim's head, admits to being Dennis Stacey's Handler.

>Gesundt lies! It is I, Kurt Peters, who is Stacy's case officer.

>-- MJ-13.572

Karl, Jim and especially you Dennis Stacy,

This is all BS.

My boss tells me that, at the CIA, we don't make domestic operations unless there is a foreign link to it... Otherwise, it is outside our jurisdiction.

Nice try. A less experienced agent would buy the fact that you are blowing your cover to alleviate a debate you are loosing.

BS again.

You are either CSISOP or NSA.

Since some of you interventions do show some pertinence and wits, you are definitely not CSISOP.

NSA? hmm... Your posts always contain a mix of truth and deception. Could be...

Unless... yeah...

Dennis STacy... DST!!!

"Direction de la Surveillance du Territoire", a French secret service...

Parlez-vous fran=E7ais?

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Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 14:11:51 EST
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I think even more important than the Secret classification of this meeting of the AFSAP, was the fact that Project Sign, which McCoy headed, was classified at a very lowly Restricted level.

Yet I have seen Karl Pflock claim that McCoy and Project Sign would certainly have known about any crashed saucers because they were charged with investigating the saucers.

(e.g., you can view his NBC Today show debate with Kevin Randle where he says this:

http://stacks.msnbc.com/news/609170.asp)

Unless crashed saucers were classified at only a Restricted level, this is clearly a bogus argument.

Pflock also claims that this is the most convincing evidence he has seen to date that there was no saucer crash at Roswell. If this is the _best_ he can come up with, then obviously the Roswell case is alive and well.

For a document from McCoy stating that Sign was classified at only a Restricted level, Updates readers can go to:

http://www.blackvault.com/documents/ufos/janaug/janaugwpafb97.htm

In the preceding series of documents, McCoy had been trying to get a UFO radar surveillance network set up, ironically first starting with the AF weather service because they used radar to track the RAWIN weather targets. They begged off and passed him to Watson Labs, who then sent him to the Air Defence Command. The ADC agreed to cooperate and send on any UFO cases, but wanted to classify them Secret. To this McCoy responded:

"Paragraph 6 of 7th Indorsement states that required reports will be classified 'Secret'. Project 'Sign' bears the classification 'Restricted'. Therefore, reports should not be classified higher than 'Restricted' unless the source or unusual circumstances warrant higher classification."

McCoy was practically begging them not to send more highly classified material because of the very low classification of Project Sign. Yet Pflock claims McCoy _surely_ would have known. Obviously this is complete nonsense.

The same is true of all other documents where the authors claim there is no physical evidence, such as the Twining memo of Sept. 23, 1947 urging the formation of Project Sign. That was classified at a higher Secret level, but still not high enough to have revealed the existence of a crashed saucer. Furthermore, it was Twining's intent to have the memo distributed to a large number of government agencies he wanted to participate in his proposed future saucer investigation, whereas acknowledgement of a saucer crash would have highly restricted access.

If Pflock can produce a Top Secret document with Twining flatly denying the existence of a crashed saucer to somebody like Pres. Truman or Gen. Vandenberg then maybe I could buy this argument. Otherwise there is nothing to it.

Will Karl Pflock respond to this?

David Rudiak

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Re: New Year Agenda - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net> Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 08:38:46 -0800 Fwd Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 17:46:17 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Hatch

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Hello Dennis, all:

The entire article is a good read. I have a thick book here someplace, at least one chapter is devoted to just those security concerns. As I recall, at least one case was discussed where a Hanford worker opened his yap a little to wide and was promptly sacked.

It appears to me that compartmentalization and need-to-know were clearly and uniformly enforced... even if those same policies had somewhat different names back then.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

PS: I have a pet peeve with certain auto-repair shops which seem to believe the customer has no need-to-know about the finer details of the work done.

They will kick you right out of the shop for Insurance Reasons.

http://www.ufoupdateslist.com/2002/jan/m05-012.shtml[10/12/2011 09:42:25]

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From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 17:13:05 -0600 Fwd Date: Sun, 06 Jan 2002 09:20:49 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy

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Re: Report On Montana Mutilation - Sanchez-Ocejo

From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <ufomiami@prodigy.net>
Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 20:25:47 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 06 Jan 2002 09:25:15 -0500
Subject: Re: Report On Montana Mutilation - Sanchez-Ocejo

>From: Colm Kelleher <<u>nids@anv.net></u>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: NIDS: Report On Montana Mutilation
>Date: Thu, 3 Jan 2002 14:49:18 -0800

>Enclosed is a summary of an investigation we conducted on a >reported animal mutilation in Montana in June 2001. Some of your >readers may be interested in the contents of the full report >(approx 50 pages) that has just been published on the What's New >section of the NIDS web site:

>http://www,nidsci.org

>Sincerely,

>Colm Kelleher >NIDS

Dear Dr. Kelleher,

I would like to start by wishing you a Happy New Year. I just took a look at your wonderful report on the cattle mutilations in Montana. I want to express my congratulations to you and your research team.

I believe that the format you utilized for this amazing report should be a prime example to follow for other organizations that investigate these phenomena, perhaps even for my investigative team. I can only describe your report as ground-breaking and inspirational for other researchers investigators.

I couldn't help to notice some amazing similarities between some of the mutilated cows and the mutilated animals in Chile, especially the time period when all of these phenomena took place - June of 2001.

Another astonishing similarity that left my colleagues with their jaws open was the cookie-cutter wounds on these animals. A few months ago, investigator Jaime Ferrer found out about a female pregnant dog that died under very similar circumstances in Calama, Chile. The animal had precision cuts inflicted upon its skin, as well as round cookie-cutter precision cuts. Furthermore, it had all of its fetuses extracted from its wound.

My colleagues and I believe that it's imperative that we make this information and evidence available to you. We are currently gathering all the raw data from the attacks that took place last year in Chile. I hope that it's helpful to you and your wonderful research team. We will organize it and present it to you the best way possible. I hope this helps us corroborate or establish a possible link or similarity between these cases.

If you're interested, I look forward to fully cooperate with you and your research team. I will do my best to provide any information or evidence you might need. I will contact you as soon as I have the evidence in a presentable manner. I hope we can establish a working relationship. Before I go, please congratulate your research team for me. Sincerely yours,

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Worldwide Internet 'Death-Bed Confession' Video

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sun, 6 Jan 2002 07:55:22 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 06 Jan 2002 11:49:52 -0500
Subject: Worldwide Internet 'Death-Bed Confession' Video

With regard to that Worldwide Internet 'Death-Bed Confession' Video

[See:

http://rense.com/general18/dbed.htm

--ebk]

Perhaps NY film-maker Mike Zieper is to be congratulated for making a useful social statement on the overly surreal nature of our "Interesting Times" and NOT be penalized in some rational (but severe) fashion for needlessly and maliciously straining abundantly shocked and too well abused sensibilities...

Perhaps Mike Zieper is a genuine 'artist' mindful of an artist's sensibility and legitimately expressing, for us, some artistic truth useful in an aggregate self-education, and so should NOT be soundly pilloried for wasting our time (...always increasingly more precious...) researching the facetious facts of bogus stories in frustrating, frivolous and facile futility...

Perhaps Mike Zieper is a playful cinematic scamp skillfully rubbing our senseless noses in our own embarrassingly ready (and perhaps too easily provoked) credulity, and should NOT be fined, flogged, or fulsomely fire-walled for communicating a serious threat already communicated too well by our desultory governments and other closed, and closed minded, institutions...

Perhaps Mike Zieper (AKA 'Mr. Z.') has an appreciable talent and demonstrates a rare cinematic adeptness that should be admired, celebrated, and rewarded, and should NOT be drawn and quartered in the traditional sense for further muddying waters already impossible to see through... for amplifying the contrived shadows while simultaneously provoking mistrust in whatever remains of the dwindling light...

This writer suggests, of course, the latter over the former...

Hoaxing the paranormal crosses a different kind of line because it is crying the worst kind of "wolf". There's valid stuff in the paranormal realm that goes ignored when this kind of wolf is cried. Worthwhile investigations go unperformed when that kind of wolf is cried... Scrutiny is avoided. Research is discredited. Inspections are not provided for. Examinations are dismissed. Explorations are not funded. Inquests go uncalled. Inquiries are forgotten. Righteous inquisition is made far less likely...

...Legitimate anomaly becomes the false alarm of a sociopathic lack-wit's specious wolf cry!

Mike Zieper created a disturbance of the efficacious peace, plain and simple, good reader. Every UFO fraud, contrived crop circle, and phony Bigfoot report is a detraction from the core of legitimacy of these things and more. It's an unrecognized psycho-social crime with countless victims and the people that cooperate to perpetrate these bogus paranormal reports are criminals guilty of the worst kind of conspiracy. That conspiracy is the conspiracy to encourage ignorance, incite complacency, or foment the hapless individual's cognitive indifference and intellectual apathy!

It's not entertainment; it is misinformation. It is not art, because it does not tell a truth. It is not even good cinema because even a pile of dog dirt will film brilliantly if it's singing show tunes and River Dancing.

No, Mike Zieper has performed no valuable service here; he has only provided for more corrosion, poured sand in already grinding gears, and poked us all in our aggregate paranormal eye. Mike, make no mistake, bites.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com
www.alienview.net

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~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

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From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Sun, 6 Jan 2002 10:53:58 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 06 Jan 2002 12:42:59 -0500
Subject: Translators Needed

Hello All,

Volunteers are needed to translate several short paragraphs into as many languages as possible. The results will be posted for use by international respondents.

Translators, please for the following:

[All] Arabic Balkan [All] Chinese [All] Danish Dutch Finnish Flemish French German Greek Korean Hebrew Hindi Italian Japanese Norwegian Portuguese Punjabi Russian Slavic [All] Spanish Swedish Turkish Ukranian Vietnamese

the major African tongues and any other not listed above.

If you can help, please contact me, privately, via:

john@virtuallystrange.net

Volunteers are asked to keep the content of the translations private until formal, world-wide, public announcements are made.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Regards,

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She also disagrees somewhat with my assessment of what the members of Sign would have known. Although Sign was classified at a lowly Restricted level, they could receive documents at a higher level from other participating agencies. (Such higher classified documents and their contents, I presume, would have remained internal, not for outside dissemination, because of their higher classification.)

As to what Sign and McCoy knew about Roswell, Wendy writes:

"As to whether McCoy would know if a crashed disc was located, he might not have known. There are two pieces of documentation I have that would support this, but of course, not perfectly provable. First is Lt. Col. Andrew J. Hemstreet, who declared in an interview, that Loedding was sent to Roswell to check on the flying disc incident and that they (all the SIGN guys) had heard of the recovery, but that 'only Loedding would have known the full details.'

"Secondly is the testimony of Major Victor Bilek, who stated that Lt. Col. Hemstreet was basically correct except for who went to Roswell. He stated that it was George Towles who went and that Col. McCoy was furious that Towles wouldn't report to him what he had investigated. Hemstreet was 94 years old when interviewed, so even though he had the name incorrect, his memory of someone from SIGN going to Roswell was correct, as Bilek confirmed it.

"Before dismissing this piece of the puzzle as insufficient, I must point out that Towles' actual job at Wright Field was accepting all shipments to the base, assigning tracking numbers and ensuring that the materials made it to the appropriate sections. In other words, Towles was the man who would know if debris from a crashed disc was shipped to Wright Field from Texas.

"Also, according to Major Bilek, Towles told him and others that he accepted something relating to the incident, but refused to say anything further."

What this would suggest is that McCoy may have heard the rumors, but wasn't fully in-the-know. At best, all McCoy could tell the AFSAP was that he had heard rumors of physical evidence b

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documents at a higher level from other participating agencies. (Such higher classified documents and their contents, however, would have remained internal, not for outside dissemination, because of their higher classification.)

As to what Sign and McCoy may have known about Roswell, Wendy writes:

"As to whether McCoy would know if a crashed disc was located, he might not have known. There are two pieces of documentation I have that would support this, but of course, not perfectly provable. First is Lt. Col. Andrew J. Hemstreet, who declared in an interview, that Loedding was sent to Roswell to check on the flying disc incident and that they (all the SIGN guys) had heard of the recovery, but that 'only Loedding would have known the full details.'

"Secondly is the testimony of Major Victor Bilek, who stated that Lt. Col. Hemstreet was basically correct except for who went to Roswell. He stated that it was George Towles who went and that Col. McCoy was furious that Towles wouldn't report to him what he had investigated. Hemstreet was 94 years old when interviewed, so even though he had the name incorrect, his memory of someone from SIGN going to Roswell was correct, as Bilek confirmed it.

"Before dismissing this piece of the puzzle as insufficient, I must point out that Towles actual job at Wright Field was accepting all shipments to the base, assigning tracking numbers and ensuring that the materials made it to the appropriate sections. In other words, Towles was the man who would know if debris from a crashed disc was shipped to Wright Field from Texas.

"Also, according to Major Bilek, Towles told him and others that he accepted something relating to the incident, but refused to say anything further."

What this would suggest is that McCoy may have heard the rumors, but wasn't fully in-the-know. At best, all McCoy could tell the AFSAP was that he had heard rumors of physical evidence within Sign but nobody would tell him anything definite (and boy was he steamed). However, it's rather doubtful McCoy would dare say such a thing.

Furthermore, even if McCoy had been given definitive knowledge, he would have to know for sure that _everybody_ in that room had the proper clearance to hear it. The only way he could know that would be to have full clearance himself and know of everybody similarly cleared to have such knowledge. This is getting to be a bit much. McCoy would practically have to be a member of MJ-12 himself to know all this.

To deduce there was no saucer crash at Roswell because of McCoy's denial at the AFSAP meeting is to deduce way too much. As I said in my original post, if you could find a Top Secret dispatch from Gen. Twining to Pres. Truman or Gen. Vandenberg denying the same thing, then you'd really have something.

David Rudiak

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Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net> Date: Sun, 06 Jan 2002 12:05:56 -0600 Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 12:45:52 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sun, 6 Jan 2002 13:27:58 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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David,

Thanks for passing Wendy's comments along. That's good information to have.

I also got the following from Karl Pflock:

"McCoy was the chief of the Air Materiel Command intelligence dept (Technical Intelligence Division, T-2). Project Sign was in his dept., so the project reported to him. Everything that went forward from Sign up the chain of command did so over his signature or only with his approval, and everything that came into AMC in re saucers went thru him. He was very actively engaged in Sign's work. Check out ch. 15 and pp. 315-318 of my book.

"So, yeah, you could say McCoy was 'in charge' of Sign, altho' he never was the project head."

It seems strange, to me, anyway, that Towles would know of Roswell debris being shipped to Wright-Pat and that McCoy wouldn't.

BTW, did the above get cut off?

Dennis Stacy

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Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
Date: Sun, 6 Jan 2002 23:03:19 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 12:48:31 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Gates

>Date: Sat, 05 Jan 2002 09:56:15 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Stacy
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>Date: Fri, 04 Jan 2002 21:38:23 -0600
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>Maybe Friedman or Randle could weigh in here? The obvious answer >>would seem to be Gen. Lesley Grove and the Manhattan Project. >>But that could have been a case of personal fiat and project >>structure for all I know, not necessarily established operating >>policy.

>>Dennis Stacy

>List,

>I found this, which is pretty interesting, by doing a Google >search using the words compartmentalization and need to know.

>http://www.hanford.gov/docs/rl-97-1047/site security/role.htm

>It's a fairly good summary of those subjects, so some of you >might want to bookmark it or make a copy.

>Dennis

That was a good article. It illustrates a point I attempted to make many months ago.

That being, _if_ a group was working on a crashed saucer and dead ET bodies, one group would be working only on say the propulsion unit while another group would be working on the medical (i.e. dead bodies) and perhaps another group would be working on the controls and so forth. The groups would likely have no knowledge of what the other group or groups had found out, or what they were pursuing, they would only know what their group was doing. Likewise each group would operate under a different codeword, so they couldn't share any information, even if they wanted to. It would also be likely that the group leader would report to somebody higher up the vine, and the person or members of our high level group higher up the vine may be the only person(s) who knew the "complete picture."

Also we need to keep in mind that information classified at a compartmentalized level, say TS/Codeword is _not_ shared at briefings, meetings, or in written documents at a lower level of classification such as Top Secret, or TS different codeword, Secret or otherwise.

Vice President Harry Truman was not in the "need-to-know" loop. A number of high level, high ranking people were not in the "need-to-know" loop. As Groves put it "...each man should know everything he needed to know to do his job and nothing else." Today we can make the case that there are in fact high level, compartmentalized projects that high ranking officials that many people would presume/assume would "know about" are not in the need-to-know and don't know anything about.

Cheers,

Robert

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From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 00:07:38 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 12:54:42 -0500
Subject: Translators Still Needed

Hello All,

Volunteers are _still_ needed to translate several short paragraphs into as many languages as possible. Results will be posted for use by international respondents.

I now have translations in three (3) languages covered and translator's names and organizations are next to the languages below. I thank them for their speedy response to my request and for their generous offer of their time and assistance.

I will continue to post the list to UFO UpDates until enough commitments to perform translations into the many different languages listed have been secured.

Translators, still needed, please, for the following:

[All] Arabic [All] Balkan [All] Chinese Danish Frits Westra -- Editor UFO-Niewsbrief Dutch Finnish Flemish Gilles Milot, Quebec Association of Ufology French German Alfred Lehmberg Greek Korean Hebrew Hindi Italian Japanese Norwegian Portuguese Punjabi Russian [All] Slavic Spanish Swedish Turkish Ukranian Vietnamese the major African tongues and any other not listed above. As you can see, we still have a long way to go. If you can help, please contact me, privately, via: john@virtuallystrange.net Volunteers are asked to keep the content of the translations

private until formal, world-wide, public announcements are made.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Regards,

John Velez

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From: **Edoardo Russo <<u>e.russo</u>@cisu.org>** Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 08:12:41 +0100 Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 17:53:57 -0500 Subject: Italian UFO Newsflash No. 339

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UPIAR: UFO Bookstore On-line

The UPIAR Cooperative is to turn twenty-years-old in 2002, having been created in 1982 as the ideal continuation of the National Committee for Investigations of Anomalous Aerial Phenomena (CNIFAA), in order to provide a more formal structure to the publishing of the prestigious magazine UPIAR (=93UFO Phenomena International Annual Review=94) and to the organization of ufological events such as the International Colloquium on =93Human Sciences and UFO Phenomena=94 (held in Salzburg in July of that same year).

Having become (in 1986) the publishing house for the Italian Center for UFO Studies (CISU), the Cooperative has now debuted on the Internet the first Italian e-commerce site dedicated to UFOs: books and magazines which it has published itself or originating from international sources; a used-items marketplace; rare items for collectors and UFO-themed objects of interest; as well as all C.I.S.U. publications, not to mention membership to the Center or subscription to its publications, are now conveniently on display and available for purchase at the Website www.upiar.com.

[Communication by Maurizio Verga.]

The Passing Of Two European Pioneers In Ufology

On December 28th in Spain, there died at 76 years of age Professor Manuel Pedrajo G=F3mez, a pioneer of Iberian Ufology and author in 1954 of Los platillos volantes y la evidencia (=93Flying Saucers and the Evidence=94), the first book on flying disks published in Spain.

[Anomalist, 29 December; El esceptico digital, 31 December; reports by Matias Morey and Roberto Labanti.]

Another recent loss was that in Germany of Karl Veit (age 74), who from 1956 through 1988 had headed the cultist UFO group DUIST (Deutsche UFO/IFO-Studiengesellschaft); published the magazine UFO Nachrichten (for many years practically the sole ufological reference in the German language); and translated, for its own publishing house (Ventla Verlag), books on the most famous contactees of America (from Adamski to Fry) and the entire world (from the South-African Klarer to the Italian Italian UFO Newsflash No. 339

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[Ovni-Sciences, EuroUfoList, 31 December; communication by Bruno Mancusil.

C.I.S.U. On-line Surpasses The 200,000-Mark

Shortly before year=92s end, C.I.S.U. On-line (www.cisu.org) surpassed the 200,000-visitors benchmark, as it continued to be the most-visited (in addition to the first) homepage of an Italian ufological association on the Internet, not to mention the richest (over 1,200 files encompassing more than 38 megabytes).

Switching over to a new provider, meanwhile, was the other Website of the C.I.S.U., UFO On-line (<u>www.ufo.it</u>), following a few weeks=92 absence from the Net, which with its 447,000 visitors but first and foremost owing its enormous catalogue of cases, texts and images contributes to making the Italian Center for UFO Studies the principal reference point for telematic Ufology in the Italian language.

[Reports by Gildo Person=E8 and Maurizio Verga.]

Collaborators on this edition were: Roberto Labanti, Bruno Mancusi, Gildo Person=E8 and Maurizio Verga.

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk> Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 13:05:28 +0000 Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 17:58:21 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

>From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman@psln.com></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Roswell 'Threads'
>Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 11:50:05 -0800

>>Date: Wed, 02 Jan 2002 19:45:16 +0000
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>>Subject: Roswell 'Threads'

Ed posed the following question to Andrew Lavoie regarding his measurement of the Fort Worth debris, as Andrew is still in the process of subscribing to UpDates he's asked me to post the following reply to Ed's question. Neil.

>Andrew,

>Thanks for your efforts to unravel the Fort Worth debris
>puzzle. I'm surprised that your measurements have not received
>any comments from the List but I have one question: How are you
>sure that your measurements using the carpet stripes are
>accurate?

>Could you explain?

>Ed

Ed,

The method I'm using I believe is very accurate. The key to measuring the debris is to obtain the mesaurement of an item for which there would be no doubt about it's dimension. I was able to obtain this by identifying the type of heating radiator used in Ramey's office using Neil's scans and three engineering mechanical design sources. Once the radiator was identified, I was able to obtain the sectional width of the radiator. Knowing the sectional width, which is a solid measurement, the radiator and the carpet stripes were modeled. As a cross check, I took a measurement of the radiator height and it was within +2.7% of the required design height for this type of radiator.

The proof in the pudding though was to measure a piece(s) of debris for which I knew the measurements of. The debris items I could identify with was the two stiffners which intersect each other in the RameyDubose photo. Professor Moore provided me with very precise measurements of the stiffners in millimeters. The first set of sketches I forwarded to Neil was of the stiffner located on the floor. I could not reconcile the dimensions of that stiffner to any of Professor Moore's measurements. The measured height of the stiffner was out by - 66% and the width by -131% as compared to Professor Moore's dimensions. It appears that this stiffner may not belong to the rawin target. I was able to reconcile the height of the stiffner attached to the panel with Professor Moor's measurement, but not the width of the stiffner. The height of the stiffner was within 99% of Professor Moore's measurement but the width was smaller by about - 66% or 2/3rds. As well, the overall shape of the stiffner did not look like what you would expect to see based on Professor Moore's measurements.

I hope this helps,

Andrew

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From: **Paul Anderson psa@look.ca>**Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 16:27:15 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 18:08:06 -0500
Subject: Eras News: Weekly Briefing 01-07-02

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http://www.space.com/searchforlife/lifesigns_spots_020103.html

Ancient Mars: Renderings Show Raging Floods, Vast Oceans

http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/solarsystem/ancient_mars_020104.html

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Re: New Year Agenda [Re-send - Complete] - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com> Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 12:05:57 -0600 Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 18:13:09 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda [Re-send - Complete] - Lehmberg

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com</u>>
Date: Sun, 6 Jan 2002 13:55:09 EST
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
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>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak</u>@aol.com>
>>>Date: Sat, 5 Jan 2002 14:11:51 EST
>>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
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>>>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net>
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Additionally, it may be possible to infer that something untoward occurred at Roswell as a result of no report at all. The smart money is on the fact that something (of some peculiar classification) occurred there, but there is no mention of it at all in Ruppelt's 'Report on UFOS'. I'd suggest that Ruppelt was warned off the subject of Roswell when he was debriefed upon leaving the service. The absence of any reference to Roswell in his book when it filled the headlines of the time is significant _because_ of that absence.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com
~~=D6~~
EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

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Re: 'Little Green Men' - Gonzalez

From: Luis R. Gonzalez <lrrm@arrakis.es>
Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 21:03:51 +0100
Fwd Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 18:32:24 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Little Green Men' - Gonzalez

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Thu, 27 Dec 2001 09:27:54 EST
>Subject: Re: 'Little Green Men'
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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Death Bed Corn Session a Hoax

From: **Jim Mortellaro** <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com</u>> Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 13:00:30 EST Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 07:38:19 -0500 Subject: Death Bed Corn Session a Hoax

The following URL points to a piece exposing the Mike Zitzer... Zipper... Zieper's 'Death Bed Confession' as a hoax. Well, we all knew that, didn't we?

http://www.rense.com/general18/dbed.htm

Jim M

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Vallee writes in his 'Anatomy of a Phenomenon' in 1965 on page 153:

Are these sightings coherent, and what are the characteristics most often attributed to their 'entities' by the authors of such reports? What do we obtain if we seek to extract the chief features from these accounts?

Let us hurry to claim that 'little green men', which everybody seems so fond of, have never been described in reality.

"It is a curious fact," remarks I. Davis, "that it seems impossible to discover the exact origin of the word 'green' with saucer occupant reports. Where and when the expression 'little green men' was first used, by whom, why or in connection with what case, has not yet been determined."

Our own efforts to clarify this point have proved equally vain.

If we gather all reports that seem to present some guarantee of reliability, and if we try to extract from them a coherent interpretation, we have to divide the alleged occupants into two groups. On one hand, we find descriptions of men (more than fifty have been described in about twenty cases) similar to us in height and behavior; on the other hand, many accounts speak of "dwarfs" measuring between three and four feet in height...

Seems like that jury has been out a long time...

Lehmberg@snowhill.com ~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: 'Little Green Men' - Benson

From: Tom Benson <<u>sparkle@earthlink.net></u>
Date: Sun, 6 Jan 2002 19:39:56 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 07:47:36 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Little Green Men' - Benson

>From: Luis R. Gonzalez <<u>lrqm@arrakis.es></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: 'Little Green Men'
>Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 21:03:51 +0100

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Thu, 27 Dec 2001 09:27:54 EST
>>Subject: Re: 'Little Green Men'
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>This was a question that we researched carefully, back about a
>>decade ago. Around the turn of the century (the last one, not
>>the most recent), there was a comic strip know as The Yellow
>>Kid, which was printed in yellow ink. It was wildly popular and
>>newspaper editors kept tempting the writer with bigger pay
>>checks and more perks so that he jumped from one newspaper to
>>the next (and hence the term Yellow Journalism). To combat this,
>>one editor created The Green Man, which was printed in green ink
>>and dealt with a man from another world. Hence the idea that
>>people not of Earth were green.

>As one of Martin Kottmeyer's helpers during his investigation >into the origins of LGM I am very much interested in your >reference.

>Can you point us to any illustration?
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List,

I can cite one old source in my library regarding LGM: 'Little Gentleman In Green, A Fairy Tale' by Una Savin (Loring, Publisher, Boston, 1865).

Tom Benson

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Translators Still Needed - 01-07-02

From: John Velez <<u>iohnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 22:49:00 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 07:53:53 -0500
Subject: Translators Still Needed - 01-07-02

Hello All,

Volunteers are _still_ needed to translate several short paragraphs into as many languages as possible. Results will be posted for use by international respondents.

I now have translations in five (5) languages covered and translator's names and organizations are next to the languages below. I thank them for their speedy response to my request and for their generous offer of their time and assistance.

I will continue to post the list to UFO UpDates until enough commitments to perform translations into the many different languages listed have been secured.

I know that we have Portuguese, Italian, Finnish, Hebrew and Swedish speaking members on this List. I would really appreciate hearing from you. The only thing holding us up at the moment is securing these translations. If you can dedicate a small amount of time to this project it would be greatly appreciated.

I have added two names to the List below, Boris Shurinov who will be handling the Russian translation and Luis Gonzales who will perform the Spanish translation. My thanks to these gentlemen for their kind offer of assistance.

Translators, still needed, please, for the following:

Arabic [All] [All] Balkan [All] Chinese Danish Frits Westra -- Editor UFO-Niewsbrief Dutch Finnish Flemish French Gilles Milot, Quebec Association of Ufology Alfred Lehmberg German Greek Korean Hebrew Hindi Italian Japanese Norwegian Portuguese Punjabi Russian Boris Shurinov Slavic [All] Spanish Luis Gonzales Swedish Turkish Ukranian Vietnamese the major African tongues and any other not listed above. As you can see, we still have a long way to go. If you can help, please contact me, privately, via:

Translators Still Needed - 01-07-02

john@virtuallystrange.net

Volunteers are asked to keep the content of the translations private until formal, world-wide, public announcements are made.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Regards,

John Velez

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Re: New Year Agenda - Fleming

From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5</u>@houston.rr.com> Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 21:57:15 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 08:01:30 -0500 Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Fleming

>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda [Re-send - Complete]
>Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 12:05:57 -0600

>Additionally, it may be possible to infer that something >untoward occurred at Roswell as a result of no report at all. >The smart money is on the fact that something (of some peculiar >classification) occurred there, but there is no mention of it at >all in Ruppelt's 'Report on UFOs'. I'd suggest that Ruppelt was >warned off the subject of Roswell when he was debriefed upon >leaving the service. The absence of any reference to Roswell in >his book when it filled the headlines of the time is significant >_because_ of that absence.

Sort of like Sherlock Holmes' "dog that didn't bark." I've had thoughts along the same lines about all the Roswell base personnel who say they knew absolutely nothing. They seem to have known so little that they weren't even familiar with the stories in the Roswell Daily Record at the time of the incident. I don't think any of them were ever asked about what their reactions were to the newspaper reports. But it's strange none of them mentioned them voluntarily, if only to say how everyone got a good laugh out of them. Did everyone there turn directly to the sports section without checking what was on page one?

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SDI-170-01-05-02 - 'My Take On It'

From: David Furlotte <<u>furry@nobelmed.com></u> Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 01:42:10 -0500 Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 08:16:51 -0500 Subject: SDI-170-01-05-02 - 'My Take On It'

getting worried that it's starting up again.

Montana has a problem, and if you travel through Montana and spot a herd of cattle, you'd be best advised to not slow down or stop to let the kids get a closer look because some Cattle rancher might shoot you. You see, the cattle ranchers in Montana are nervous. And rightly so. That area of the world has been having a rash of cattle mutilations that nobody can seem to _stop_ - _or_ explain. In the years from 1974 to 1977, the Great Falls area of Montana was the location of the most intense and sustained wave of animal mutilations in recorded history and with eight reported cases during the summer of 2001, the residents are

Some people believe that cattle mutilations are the work of some alien race doing experiments here on Earth and some people believe that these animal mutilations are the work of some mis-guided individuals or groups.except for a few minor little problems. Firstly, the animals are usually ex-sanguinated, that means they have had their all their blood removed. Secondly, the animals have complete areas of their bodies removed with such surgical precision that medical doctors have a difficult time to explain not only _how_ it could be accomplished outside of a fully stocked operating theater but what instruments could have been used.

The main problem that the cattle ranchers have with these animal mutilations is that it seems that nobody really cares. When they discover that one of the animals of their herd has been mutilated like this, they call the local authorities to report it but end up getting frustrated because there really isn't much the Sheriff or Police can do about it. The government refuses to launch a major investigation into it probably because if they did, they'd have to admit that the cases across the world have some kind of common link and _then_ where would we be?

However, there _does_ seem to be a little ray of hope out there in the guise of the National Institute of Discovery Science -NIDS. Back in June of this past summer, they received a call from local police in Dupuyer, Montana regarding a 6 year-old Red Angus that had been found dead and mutilated. The animal was lying on its right side, with the left eye and eyelid missing, hide from the left jaw was missing and parts of its tongue. Also missing were the animal's vagina and rectum. There were no signs of a struggle nor were there any tracks around the animal. But the most interesting part of this is that when the NIDS researchers did some cutting of the tissue away from the mutilated jaw area, they found greenish coloured tissue mass that contrasted with the pinkish skin in the area. They immediately decapitated the animal, froze the head to prevent decomposition and shipped it to their labs for further investigation.

NIDS conducted a bit of an autopsy and additionally subjected a lot of samples they collected to various testing. To insure that they would have some kind of benchmark to judge from, NIDS obtained an animal from a slaughterhouse and allowed it to decompose for 4 days. They discovered a chemical compound called 'Oxindale' in the mutilated animal but not in the one from the slaughterhouse, which led them to believe that the compound had somehow been administered to the mutilated animal. Incidentally, SDI-170-01-05-02 - 'My Take On It'

Oxindale has been shown to cause profound sedation, decrease in blood pressure, decrease in muscular tone and loss of consciousness in rats, dogs and humans. NIDS intends on conducting more investigations on mutilated animals provided they can receive the animals in a timely manner. This past summer in Montana saw 8 cases reported but _this_ was the first case for NIDS that wasn't too old to do a proper scientific investigation.

Montana has a problem with Cattle mutilations and it may involve aliens or not, but with groups like NIDS doing the _hard_ research and developing the data we're getting _closer_ to determining what is behind animal mutilations.

But that's just _my_ take on it.....

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CE3 Producer Dies

From: John. W. Auchettl <<u>Praufo@aol.com></u>
Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 07:03:12 EST
Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 08:22:01 -0500
Subject: CE3 Producer Dies

EBK and List,

From the Melbourne 'Herald Sun'

4th Jan 2002 page 25

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Oscar Winner Takes Final Bow

Tough-talking movie producer Julia Phillips, the first woman to win a best-picture Oscar, has died of cancer.

Phillips, 57, produced Oscar-winner 'The Sting' as well as 'Taxi Driver' and 'Close Encounters of the Third Kind' in the 1970s, before succumbing to a raging cocaine habit.

She won Hollywood's attention again in 1991 with the bestselling juicy memoir 'You'll Never Eat Lunch In This Town Again', which invoked the names of such luminaries as Steven Spielberg, Warren Beatty and Martin Scorsese.

Phillips, described as a brilliant but intimidating raconteur who swore like a stevedore and smoked non-stop, was not worried about burning her bridges with the books.

"She always said, 'It turned me from an old producer into an icon'," her son-in-law, Modi Wiczyk, was quoted as saying.

She died on Monday in her Hollywood home, according to Daily Variety. She is survived by children Kate and Matthew.

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Phillips, who was diagnosed with the disease in August, died at home Tuesday, 1st Jan 2002.

Regards,

John. W. Auchettl Director - PRA

WEB: <u>http://members.aol.com/praufo/PRA1/Pra1.htm</u>

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Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines

From: John. W. Auchettl <<u>Praufo@aol.com></u> Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 07:04:50 EST Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 08:25:04 -0500 Subject: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines

EBK and List,

From 'The Australian'

5th Jan 2002 page 6

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'Raelians Offer A Flight To Justice'

By Paul Toohey

A Group of UFO enthusiasts who support human cloning and eugenics has offered to pay the travel and legal costs of Aborigines who might like to go to Belgium to sue the Pope.

The Australian branch of the Raelian Movement, which claims 55,000 members world-wide, said it wanted to support Aborigines by initiating compensation claims for crimes committed and admitted by the Catholic Church.

Australia Raelian leader Peter Heaven said the Pope's November apology to the stolen generations was an admission of guilt which left the church open to legal action.

Raelians believe governments, including the Vatican, can be sued using an international court in Belgium.

The Raelian Movement will fund a legal team as well as expenses for Aborigines to fly to Belgium to file their complaint, Mr Heaven said.

Raelians are led by Rael, said to be a former French journalist. A local spokesperson said Raelianism was a scientific religion that believed all life on earth was deliberately created scientifically by scientists and artists using DNA manipulation.

Human-like creatures from the sky, called the Elohim, colonised Earth with creatures created by their own image.

Raelians support genetically modified food so the world can be fed, human cloning because it is a step towards eternal life, and eugenics - or improving the quality of offspring -- so humans can be created without race or religion.

Rael is ambassador for the Elohim's Earth-based embassy. It was established in 1973 after Rael was visited by a short, humorous, almond-eyed creature who requested he set up a neutral zone by which the Elohim could communicate with Earth's leaders. So far, the creature hasn't come back.

Mr Heaven, who describes himself as Raelian spokesman to the Aboriginal People, promised the world's TV networks would fly to Australia to hear the Aboriginal case once complaints were filed in Belgium.

The reaction among Aborigines contacted by The Weekend

Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines

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Australian yesterday was mainly: "May we get back to you on
this?"
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Regards,
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UFO Sightings Up In Malaysia

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Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 08:57:36 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 08 Jan 2002 08:57:36 -0500
Subject: UFO Sightings Up In Malaysia

http://thestar.com.my/news/story.asp?file=/2002/1/7/nation/ccufo&sec=nation

Monday, January 7, 2002

UFO Sightings Peaked Last Year

by Clarence Chua

PETALING JAYA: Against the backdrop of political upheavals and an economic slump in the country, there were smiles among a group of extra terrestrial watchers here who claimed there had been an increase in UFO sightings last year.

The Centre for Malaysian UFO Studies (Cenmyufos), which looks into reports concerning 'unidentified flying objects' said there was also a reported case of alien abduction near Tambunan, Sabah, early last year.

Ufologist Ahmad Jamaludin, the centre's co-ordinator, said there had been six UFO sightings last year compared to only three in 2000. Three of the sightings were reported in Sabah, two in Kedah while the other was in Penang.

He said the most sensational UFO encounter was reported in February when a man living near Tambunan claimed that he met a square-headed alien who wanted to take him away.

The man later went missing for 11 days.

This could be the first reported UFO abduction in Malaysia.

"Although the 11-day period was a little odd (as most UFO abduction victims usually go missing for two to three hours or up to five days only), the fact that there were some UFO activities around Kota Kinabalu at that time could lend some credence to the claim," said Ahmad.

Reports from the Sabah capital mentioned of a saucer-shaped UFO, with flickering lights, being sighted before it disappeared behind a hill.

In another sighting, purportedly videotaped by a man living there, a bluish UFO flying in the night skies was recorded.

Ahmad said that in May, several villagers in Kedah claimed they saw a lighted object descending from the sky one night and landing at their kampung in Baling.

"I investigated the case, interviewed several witnesses and prepared a video clip on the UFO landing over Baling for an upcoming television programme," he said.

Ahmad, who has been studying UFOs since 1978, said his research on the phenomenon showed there was a close link between the UFO sightings and Earth's seismic activity.

Explaining further, he said: "Gravitational forces emitted by objects in space cause the Earth's fault lines to shake, causing earthquakes and, at the same time, act as a guide for UFOs to

reach Earth.

"There is a cycle in UFO sightings. It will peak every 10 years," he said adding that the most recent cycle peaked last year.

He expected only two to three sightings a year from this year until the next wave peaks in 2009 (give or take a year).

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Strange Lights Over Billings Montana

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Subject: Strange Lights Over Billings Montana

The Billings Gazette - Montana

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Strange Lights Over West End

Gazette Staff

Unusual white lights were spotted hovering over the West End of Billings Saturday at about 6 p.m. A Billings woman, who asked that her name not be printed, said she and her husband were in their pickup truck when they spotted a lighted, half-spherical object hover about 1,000-feet above an area near 36th Street West.

The object had one flashing light and hovered for about four minutes.

"My husband knows airplanes and he said, 'Those aren't any airplane lights.' As soon as he said that, it took off," she said. "Within two seconds, we couldn't see it. It was that fast. I don't know what to make of it."

A Billings man who spends most of his evening riding a bicycle in the downtown area said he spotted the flying object, but thought it was just a very fast aircraft.

No sightings were reported to the Billings Police Department, Montana Highway Patrol or Yellowstone County Sheriff's Department, various officers and dispatchers said. Calls to the Billings Logan International Airport control tower went unanswered Sunday evening. A meteorologist at the National Weather Service said people should call the agency if they spot anything unusual in the sky.

"We didn't see anything here," he said, "but we weren't looking, either."

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Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Parmentier

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Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 15:34:28 +0100 (CET)
Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 03:48:21 -0500
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Dear List members,

I doubt very much that Claude Vorhillon, alias Rael, cares about Aborigines or about the Pope. He finds those means to get some international publicity.

As you may already know, there have been several investigations led by French journalists of him and his organization which have deprived them of any credibility. French ufologist all agree that he is a dangerous person and are worriedthat he apparently succeeds in spreading his views into the international ufologic community.

Best regards.

Francis Parmentier

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Re: SDI-170-01-05-02 - 'My Take On It' - Mortellaro

From: **Jim Mortellaro** <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com</u>> Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 09:49:27 EST Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 05:22:27 -0500 Subject: Re: SDI-170-01-05-02 - 'My Take On It' - Mortellaro

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Dear Furry, List and Errol,

There is no mystery over these cattle mutilations, Furry. We at the Canal Street UFoolillogical Society have already not only solved the mystery, but capitalized on it. Oxindale is the most pleasant ingredient in Gripple which adds a nice flavor as well as a pleasant 'after glow.' And it does not require the services of a cigarette after use. We of the Gripple Plant Number Two, as opposed to Number One, have sealed a deal with the second most frequent visitor here on earth, the Paladians from Mongo. They give us Oxindale, they give us the 'good parts' of the cattle (which we use to process our products) and we give them Gripple. They love it. Helps them 'fold space' better.

And since their planet is dry (similar to Arrakis), we satisfy a need.

By the way, cattle 'good parts' and the little critters which inhabit them are a prime processing ingredient in our famoso fresh wines.

Ergo, mystery solved. Another scoop and you herd it here.

G.

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Re: Strange Lights Over Billings Montana - McCoy

From: GT McCoy <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 12:11:16 -0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 05:27:30 -0500
Subject: Re: Strange Lights Over Billings Montana - McCoy

From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> To: <- UFO UpDates Subscribers - :> Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 6:11 AM Subject: UFO UpDate: Strange Lights Over Billings Montana

Hello, all.

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I've flown out of Billings and did a rather large amount of Aerial Firefighting in the area due to the proximity of the Crow Indian Reservation (good firecrew to work with) grasslands and the Beartooth Mountians (Nasty country to fly a DC7 in).

>The object had one flashing light and hovered for about four <code>>minutes</code>.

>"My husband knows airplanes and he said, 'Those aren't any >airplane lights.' As soon as he said that, it took off," she >said. "Within two seconds, we couldn't see it. It was that fast. >I don't know what to make of it."

>A Billings man who spends most of his evening riding a bicycle >in the downtown area said he spotted the flying object, but >thought it was just a very fast aircraft.

The Original sighting took place approx 1 mile from downtown, maybe a little less. if memeory serves. Most of Billings sets in a valley the airport sets above the town roughly north and not very far (less than 2 miles - I've walked it) from the edge of the City.

>No sightings were reported to the Billings Police Department, >Montana Highway Patrol or Yellowstone County Sheriff's >Department, various officers and dispatchers said. Calls to the >Billings Logan International Airport control tower went >unanswered Sunday evening. A meteorologist at the National >Weather Service said people should call the agency if they spot >anything unusual in the sky. The tower may have been closed, many Airports (Billings may be one now) don't operate the tower 24/7

>"We didn't see anything here," he said, "but we weren't looking, >either."

The Weather Service and the control tower sit well above the city as I recall, there is a good 300-500 ft elevation (more as you go into the Yellowstone river valley) difference, they may have been _above_ the 'whatsit' that these folks saw.

The terrain is rolling grassland and broad river valleys until you get to the Mountians - Rockies, to be exact - I remember the Beartooths and the lovely Hellroaring river well.

GT McCoy

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Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 05:30:01 -0500
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http://www.mycfnow.com/orlpn/news/stories/news-117686420020107-090141.html

Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object Newspaper Ad Claims Object Can Explain Antigravity

Posted: 10:20 a.m. EST January 7, 2002 Updated: 11:35 a.m. EST January 7, 2002

Port St. John, Fla. - A Florida man wants \$10 million for an object that he says came from an UFO, Local 6 News reported.

James Hughes recently took out an advertisement in The Florida Today newspaper for an object he said could hold the secret to antigravity.

Hughes told Local 6 News reporter Donald Forbes that his friend was in a New Jersey garbage dump 45 years ago when a cigar-shaped UFO dumped the rock-looking piece. He said that his friend gave him the object because he was a physicist.

Forbes reported that Hughes' phone has been ringing off the hook since he placed the ad in the newspaper and he has had a \$7.5 million offer.

Hughes said that he had the object tested at a university lab and found that it contained unusual metal alloys.

If Hughes sells the object, he plans to use the money to help airport security, according to the report.

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[UFO UpDates thanks <u>www.anomalist.com</u> for the lead]

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Secrecy News -- 01/08/02

From: Steven Aftergood <<u>saftergood@fas.org></u> Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 12:20:25 -0500 Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 06:40:18 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/08/02

SECRECY NEWS from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy Volume 2002, Issue No. 3 January 8, 2002

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ON CRIMINALIZING "LEAKS"

A congressionally-mandated review of the need to enact new penalties for the unauthorized disclosure of classified information is now underway in the Department of Justice.

The most extensive argument to date in favor of criminalizing such "leaks" was published recently in the National Security Studies Quarterly (NSSQ).

Leaks of classified information can have "broad ramifications, resulting in direct and serious damage to U.S. intelligence effectiveness, national security, and foreign relations," writes Michael Hurt, legislative director for Rep. John Hostettler (R-IN), in the current issue of NSSQ.

Mr. Hurt aims to provide an assessment of the damage caused by leaks that would justify new statutory penalties.He cites patterns of Iraqi denial and deception, setbacks in the pursuit of Osama Bin Ladin, and India's unanticipated nuclear weapons tests, all of which he says were aggravated by unauthorized disclosures of classified information.

He proceeds to endorse the anti-leak legislation sponsored by Senator Richard Shelby (but vetoed in 2000 by President Clinton).He also proposes some innovations of his own, such as amending the Intelligence Identities Protection Act, which makes disclosure of covert intelligence agents a crime, to include technical space collection systems in the definition of "covert agents."

Because Mr. Hurt's paper is the most rigorous public statement available in favor of criminalizing all leaks of classified information, its defects are particularly noteworthy.

In nearly 40 pages of analysis, Mr. Hurt fails to comprehend the essential flaw in the Shelby legislation:It would permit the executive branch both to define the crime (by deciding unilaterally what is "classified") and then to prosecute its violation.This would be an extraordinary concentration of executive branch power and an invitation to abuse.

Mr. Hurt uncritically repeats the false allegation that former Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary gave a classified diagram of the W-87 nuclear warhead to U.S. News and World Report.This story, propagated by Rep. Curt Weldon, has been thoroughly refuted.(See Secrecy & Government Bulletin, Issue No. 80).It never happened. Mr. Hurt appears to believe that the deliberative process is essentially ceremonial and that it should not be permitted to interfere with the desired outcome.

Thus, "Once Congress receives the [pending] Ashcroft review [on the need for new anti-leak penalties], Congress ought to reintroduce the anti-leak provision as a separate, stand-alone bill," he writes, as if the outcome of the Ashcroft review were a foregone conclusion.Maybe it is.

Similarly, he says without a hint of irony, open hearings on the matter should be held by all means."Let all legitimate opposing arguments air, featuring witnesses who may wish to testify in defense of reducing government secrecy, increasing government accountability, protecting reporters' sources or other elements to the opponents' arguments.... Then, Congress should pass a tough anti-leak measure."

"Leaking National Security Secrets" by Michael Hurt appeared in the Autumn 2001 issue of National Security Studies Quarterly, published by Georgetown University. The article may be found here:

http://www.georgetown.edu/sfs/programs/nssp/nssg/Hurt.pdf

PERU DOCUMENTS DECLASSIFIED

On December 27, the State Department released some 38 declassified documents that had been requested by the Congress of Peru concerning U.S. Government relations with disgraced Peruvian intelligence chief Vladimiro Montesinos.

The documents were made publicly available on January 7 here:

http://usembassy.state.gov/lima/wwwhclass.html

GPS VULNERABILITY

A long-delayed Department of Transportation study found that the Global Positioning System satellite network is vulnerable to jamming and other forms of disruption, and should therefore not be used as the sole basis for aircraft navigation.

"Government security concerns delayed publication for many months, but public demand, coupled with secretarial-level interest, finally secured the study's release and gave it high visibility," wrote Charlotte Adams recently in Defense Daily's Avionics Magazine.

The report, entitled "Vulnerability Assessment of the Transportation Infrastructure Relying on the Global Positioning System," was released in September 2001.A copy is available here:

http://www.fas.org/spp/military/program/asat/gpstrans.pdf

NUCLEAR HISTORY NEWS

The family of physics pioneer Niels Bohr announced last week that it will release all of the documents in its possession concerning the celebrated but mysterious meeting between Bohr and German physicist Werner Heisenberg in September 1941.See the Bohr Archive announcement here:

http://www.nbi.dk/NBA/webpage.html

Historians and others have long debated the meaning of that encounter, Heisenberg's role in the Nazi nuclear weapons program, and Heisenberg's motivation for seeking out Bohr.See "Details of Nazis' A-Bomb Program Surface" by James Glanz in the January 7 New York Times:

http://www.nytimes.com/2002/01/07/national/07ATOM.html

In a splendid bit of web magic, the American Institute of Physics has posted a 1948 audio clip featuring the voice of Albert Einstein explaining the equivalence of matter and

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energy.See:

http://www.aip.org/history/einstein/voice1.htm

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

From: **Ed Gehrman** <<u>eqehrman</u>@psln.com> Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 16:43:43 -0800 Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 06:43:50 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

>Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 13:05:28 +0000
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil@adm1.ph.man.ac.uk></u>
>Subject: Roswell Threads

>>From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman@psln.com></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell 'Threads'
>>Date: Fri, 4 Jan 2002 11:50:05 -0800

>>Andrew,

>>Thanks for your efforts to unravel the Fort Worth debris
>>puzzle. I'm surprised that your measurements have not received
>>any comments from the List but I have one question: How are you
>>sure that your measurements using the carpet stripes are
>>accurate?

>>Could you explain?

>>Ed

>Ed,

>The method I'm using I believe is very accurate. The key to >measuring the debris is to obtain the mesaurement of an item for >which there would be no doubt about it's dimension. I was able >to obtain this by identifying the type of heating radiator used >in Ramey's office using Neil's scans and three engineering >mechanical design sources. Once the radiator was identified, I >was able to obtain the sectional width of the radiator. Knowing >the sectional width, which is a solid measurement, the radiator >and the carpet stripes were modeled. As a cross check, I took a >measurement of the radiator height and it was within +2.7% of >the required design height for this type of radiator.

>The proof in the pudding though was to measure a piece(s) of >debris for which I knew the measurements of. The debris items I >could identify with was the two stiffners which intersect each >other in the RameyDubose photo. Professor Moore provided me with >very precise measurements of the stiffners in millimeters. The >first set of sketches I forwarded to Neil was of the stiffner >located on the floor. I could not reconcile the dimensions of >that stiffner to any of Professor Moore's measurements. The >measured height of the stiffner was out by - 66% and the width >by -131% as compared to Professor Moore's dimensions. It appears >that this stiffner may not belong to the rawin target. I was >able to reconcile the height of the stiffner attached to the >panel with Professor Moor's measurement, but not the width of >the stiffner. The height of the stiffner was within 99% of >Professor Moore's measurement but the width was smaller by about >- 66% or 2/3rds. As well, the overall shape of the stiffner did >not look like what you would expect to see based on Professor >Moore's measurements.

Karl, EBK and List,

"I told them it was a balloon and a RAWIN (radar-wind) target. I

believed this because I had seen many of these before..." Irving Newton pg. 162, in Karl's 'Roswell'

Karl also writes: "Despite the tremendous weight of evidence supporting the earthly answer to Roswell, those who do not like that answer keep plugging away, trying with some desperation to do an end run around that evidence with their own "facts"born of innocently wishful thinking."

Yes, we do keep plugging away, but we promise not to while we're trying an end run.

There may be an earthly answer to Roswell, but Andrew's measurements blow holes in Karl's RAWIN thesis. And what about the other bits and pieces we all can clearly see scattered on Ramey's carpet.

And why did Newton give false testimony about the debris being from a RAWIN? It obviously is not from a RAWIN. If it's not a RAWIN, then what is it? Maybe folks should take a fresh look at the FW photos and decide for themselves whether our evidence is 'wishful thinking'.

Ed

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Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 19:52:02 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 06:45:42 -0500
Subject: Re: New Year Agenda - Rudiak

>Date: Mon, 07 Jan 2002 21:57:15 -0600
>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda
>From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5@</u>houston.rr.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: New Year Agenda [Re-send - Complete]
>>Date: Mon, 7 Jan 2002 12:05:57 -0600

>>Additionally, it may be possible to infer that something >>untoward occurred at Roswell as a result of no report at all. >>The smart money is on the fact that something (of some peculiar >>classification) occurred there, but there is no mention of it at >>all in Ruppelt's 'Report on UFOs'. I'd suggest that Ruppelt was >>warned off the subject of Roswell when he was debriefed upon >>leaving the service. The absence of any reference to Roswell in >>his book when it filled the headlines of the time is significant >>_because_ of that absence.

>Sort of like Sherlock Holmes' "dog that didn't bark." I've had >thoughts along the same lines about all the Roswell base >personnel who say they knew absolutely nothing. They seem to >have known so little that they weren't even familiar with the >stories in the Roswell Daily Record at the time of the incident. >I don't think any of them were ever asked about what their >reactions were to the newspaper reports. But it's strange none >of them mentioned them voluntarily, if only to say how everyone >got a good laugh out of them. Did everyone there turn directly >to the sports section without checking what was on page one?

Another 'dog that didn't bark' is the absence of military reports that should have followed on the heels of the incident. For half a day, phone lines into Roswell AAF, Fort Worth AAF, and the Pentagon were jammed with phone calls from reporters and news agencies demanding details. Gen. Vandenberg, acting AAF chief of staff, was reported himself being disturbed from his routine and going to the AAF public information office to personally handle the crisis. Radios and newspapers were full of the story. Anxiety amongst the public was reported over the news. All this because of a supposed major screw-up amongst senior intelligence and command staff at Roswell AAF.

I'm sure there would have been some sort of Pentagon probe demanding explanations, and reports _would_ have been written. But nary a report has ever been found.

Similarly, the debris shipped to Wright Field should have generated a report of findings. The FBI telegram from Dallas concerning Roswell stated that the AAF was going to inform the Cincinnati FBI office of their findings regarding the shipment to Wright Field. The GAO in 1994 went looking for this promised FBI report, and couldn't find this either.

However, an obvious hoax disc was sent to Wright Field by the FBI the following month, and this generated a detailed technical report back to the FBI (including the use of the supposedly "top secret" name Project Mogul). This incident is documented in FBI files, but not the Roswell shipment and results to Wright Field. There are all sorts of "dogs that didn't bark" in the Roswell case, which has always been very suspicioius. Extra Credit: In which Sherlock Holmes story did the 'dog that didn't bark' appear?

David "Woof" Rudiak

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New Mac Tonnies Story OnLine

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 17:27:16 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 06:47:27 -0500 Subject: New Mac Tonnies Story OnLine

My story 'Disintegration' is in the Jan./Feb. issue of the online 'zine 'Alternate Realities'. It can be reached at:

http://www.alternaterealitieszine.com/SFS.htm

--Mac

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Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 01:09:21 -0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 06:49:16 -0500
Subject: Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Hatch

>From: Francois Parmentier <parcol@club-internet.fr>
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
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>Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 15:34:28 +0100 (CET)

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Hello Francois:

I'm sure nearly everyone on this List is well acquainted with Rael, the Raeleans and their doings. I know all I need to know about them.

One of them wanted me to add a link to _their_ website!

Needless to say, I did not respond.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
Date: Wed, 9 Jan 2002 03:37:55 -0600
Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 06:51:53 -0500
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With all due respect, gentlemen... the Aborigines!?! I won't defend any cult of crass personality, but it seems to me that there are not a lot of organizations, of any stripe, queuing up to do battle with one of the biggest closed institutions of them all over the mere rights of individual human beings. I'm reluctant to discourage the redress of a _much_ maligned people coming effectively from no other quarter.

Mark my words, lassies and lads of the listo-logical... it is the too casual treatment of the many by the few that is the biggest hurdle to the resolution of any kind of substantive disclosure, keeps seemingly ubiquitous extraterrestrials from taking disclosure into their own hands, and delays an all but inevitable transition of aggregate humanity from mewling infant at the bottom of a gravity well to cosmic adolescent on the fast track to Type II civilization-hood. Yea and verily!

Claude Vorhillon may _be_ dangerous, but Aborigines flirt with an imposed extinction. The Aborigines bang solidly down on the base of the cosmic balancing device. Evenhandedness _must_ be a universally respected quality! Evenhandedness must be the propellant and mortar for spiritual elevation and social advancement. Evenhandedness must surely attract the potential extraterrestrial... and even if there's no extraterrestrial humanity must be better for it.

So, if not him, who.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

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>On December 6, 2001, almost a month before Pflock's letter was >written, Albuquerque-area attorney Clyde Calvin Carstens was >caught red-handed trying to smuggle 437 pounds of marijuana >across the border. After being released on bail from this drug >bust, he was found dead, an apparent suicide, on his property >where bundles of money and other evidence of wrongdoing was >found. Mr. Pflock must be taking advice from spirit counselors.

>- Dick Hall

>P.S. Meanwhile, Pflock is strongly locked into a version of >False Memory Syndrome whereby he keeps repeating untrue >statements about the circumstances surrounding the purloined >tapes incident. His memory will be refreshed shortly.

It's wrongly thought by some who 'scream' that Richard Hall won't fight it seems. I think it apt or more than fine Hall shove it where the sun won't shine, deep inside Karl's indiscretion, betwixt 'convenient' recollections, turning over mossy rocks that hide odd facts on Mister Pflock.

We see this bunky whine and such, but flatly Pflock protests too much... evoking specious stoner lawyers? ...Injun Joe cons Thomas Sawyer? Tempests in a teapot brewing more than he should bite for chewing? Pflock won't like the end of this, or I misread and am remiss...

Lehmberg@snowhill.com ~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually.

Re: Dead Lawyers Society, Or ... - Lehmberg

He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: Strange Lights Over Billings Montana - Meiners

From: Jean Meiners <legalco@uswest.net>
Date: Wed, 9 Jan 2002 06:14:09 -0700
Fwd Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 08:40:16 -0500
Subject: Re: Strange Lights Over Billings Montana - Meiners

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>To: <- UFO UpDates Subscribers - :>
>Sent: Tuesday, January 08, 2002 6:11 AM
>Subject: Strange Lights Over Billings Montana

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>No sightings were reported to the Billings Police Department, >Montana Highway Patrol or Yellowstone County Sheriff's >Department, various officers and dispatchers said. Calls to the >Billings Logan International Airport control tower went >unanswered Sunday evening. A meteorologist at the National >Weather Service said people should call the agency if they spot >anything unusual in the sky.

This seems to be the main attitude in Montana. Why report it? You are branded by the media and actually very little gets done anyway. Now, I wonder, with the sighting, if any further animal mutilations took place.

Jean

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Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Mortellaro

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Date: Wed, 9 Jan 2002 10:36:06 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 02:40:58 -0500
Subject: Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Mortellaro

>Date: Wed, 09 Jan 2002 01:09:21 -0800
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>Subject: Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines

>>From: Francois Parmentier <parcol@club-internet.fr>
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>Subject: Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines
>>Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 15:34:28 +0100 (CET)

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>>>Date: Tue, 8 Jan 2002 07:04:50 EST
>>>Subject: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

>>>EBK and List,

>>>From 'The Australian'

>>>5th Jan 2002 >>>page 6

>>>'Raelians Offer A Flight To Justice'

>>>By Paul Toohey

>>>A Group of UFO enthusiasts who support human cloning and >>>eugenics has offered to pay the travel and legal costs of >>>Aborigines who might like to go to Belgium to sue the Pope.

><snip>

>>Dear List members,

>>I doubt very much that Claude Vorhillon, alias Rael, cares about
>>Aborigines or about the Pope. He finds those means to get
>>some international publicity.

>>As you may already know, there have been several investigations >>led by French journalists of him and his organization which have >>deprived them of any credibility. French ufologist all agree >>that he is a dangerous person and are worriedthat he apparently >>succeeds in spreading his views into the international ufologic >>community.

>>Best regards.

>>Francois Parmentier

>Hello Francois:

>I'm sure nearly everyone on this List is well acquainted with >Rael, the Raeleans and their doings. I know all I need to know >about them.

>One of them wanted me to add a link to _their_ website!

>Needless to say, I did not respond.

Dear Larry, List, Errol,

I used to know a Madamoiselle Parmentier... I am certain there is no relation....

According to an article on the Rense site, Vatican Astronomer (boy that _does_ sound strange in light of my church's history), Coyle, a Jesuit, say the universe must have life, that to think of this vast universe in terms of 'just us,' is ludicrous. Which is a speed used on many UFO's.

When it comes to railing Rael's, the church is likely not interested. Neither am I. In fact, anything which resembles a cult, even just resembles one, is anathema. There is nothing worse than extremism, even if it is extremeism in the name of God. Who, if I were He, would likely wind up smashed every night and every day. Who the hell could take us after all the work done to make us? No one in his right mind.

Extremism takes many turns in life. But the worst type is the extremist who believes that he is right in spite of everything; all evidence, all argument and all logic. For the extremist is not logical, the extremist is emotional. No thought, no sense, common or otherwise. How a man or woman can beat himself into that kind of frenzy is beyond my ken. Yet it is here among us. On this list. In our lives. And in our nightmares. "Let freedom ring" is a phrase many Americans use. The world should use something similar. "Let reason ring."

Nah!

So, Rael and Rail, unreal and real, respectively. And may the Schwartz be with us.

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Re: Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object -

From: Bruce Maccabee
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Subject: Re: Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object -

>Source: WKMG TV - Orlando, Florida

>http://www.mycfnow.com/orlpn/news/stories/news-117686420020107-090141.html

>Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object >Newspaper Ad Claims Object Can Explain Antigravity

>Posted: 10:20 a.m. EST January 7, 2002
>Updated: 11:35 a.m. EST January 7, 2002

>Port St. John, Fla. - A Florida man wants \$10 million for an >object that he says came from an UFO, Local 6 News reported.

>James Hughes recently took out an advertisement in The Florida >Today newspaper for an object he said could hold the secret to >antigravity.

>Hughes told Local 6 News reporter Donald Forbes that his friend >was in a New Jersey garbage dump 45 years ago when a >cigar-shaped UFO dumped the rock-looking piece. He said that his >friend gave him the object because he was a physicist.

<snip>

<LOL>

It's nice to know that UFOs do not use the _whole_ earth as a garbage dump, only the places which we humans have designated as garbage dumps. If the aliens were dumping it, could it be that it no longer worked and was garbage? Or may be aliens eat rocks and this rock was too old to eat so they dumped it.....

That guy better take the 7.5 million offer while its still hot (if it is hot).

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RECTANGULAR UFO FLIES OVER AMMAN IN JORDAN

On Monday, December 31, 2001, at 8 p.m., a rectangular UFO flew over Amman, the capital of Jordan, and was seen by hundreds of residents.

The UFO, described as "a self-luminous rectangular object," first appeared over the Jorm district of the city. It flew in a southwesterly direction across Ameena Bint Wahab Street and over the top of the Jebel al-Hussein (hill). After passing over the Jebel al-Weibdeh (hill), the UFO "emitted a bright flashing light."

As it flew over the Weibdeh section or west end of the city, the UFO was seen by hundreds of residents. Many Jordanians voiced the opinion that the object was "a satellite," while others claimed it was "an alien starship."

The UFO was also seen by residents of the Shmeisani section. Police stations at Abdali and Wadi Abdoun were flooded with telephone calls reporting the UFO's flyover.

A spokesman for the Royal Jordanian Air Force was quoted as saying the light may have been caused "by a laser or a firework launched to celebrate the New Year."

According to ufologist Abu Zidallah, Jordanian UFO groups are very much excited by the sighting in Amman and plan to talk to witnesses. (See the Jordanian newspaper Al-Dastur and Agence France Presse for January 1, 2002.

Many thanks to Ayesha al-Khatabi for forwarding this story.)

(Editor's Note: Two millenia ago, Amman was known as Philadelphia to the Romans. Yes, that's the same Philadelphia that's in Acts of the Apostles. The Roman ruins are in the east end of the city and include the Amphitheatre, built by Emperor Antoninus Pius in 150 A.D., the Odeon, the Forum and the Temple of Hercules.)

CATTLE MUTILATIONS SURGE IN NORTHERN MONTANA

This is the kind of deja vu Everett King could do without.

About 15 years ago, he discovered the grisly remains of one of his cattle that had died mysteriously.

In October (2001), it happened again.

King said it looked as though a surgeon had sliced into his seven-year-old Charolais, the way its right eye and right ear were cut off--not to mention the way its reproductive organs had been cored.

What King finds most unusual, however, is that two months later, the carcass lies right where he found it, untouched.

"Predators won't eat it,' said King, who ranches outside Valier (Montana), south of Lake Frances. 'It should have been cleared up and gone a long time ago."

Ranchers in Pondera County, northwest of Great Falls, reported four mutilations between June and August (2001). Since then, there have been 11 more, and investigators are still searching for answers.

The same bizarre circumstances haunted area ranchers and baffled law enforcement twenty years ago, sparking rumors about UFOs, cults and government conspiracies.

The mutilations went away in the 1990s but began again this summer.

The most recent victim--a 12-year-old Hereford--turned up earlier this month on a ranch north of Conrad," (population 2,900).

"'They skinned off the belly from her front legs to her back legs all the way around,' Pondera County Sheriff's Deputy Dan Campbell said, 'The complete bag (udder) was removed.'"

The last three mutilations occurred within three miles (5 kilometers) of each other in the Dry Forks area, about 10 to 15 miles (16 to 21 kilometers) west of Conrad.

In October (2001) members of the New Miami Colony, 18 miles (26 kilometers) west of Conrad, discovered two mutilated cows at the same time, 30 yards (27 meters) apart.

The scenes were remarkably similar to mutilations researchers reported more than a decade ago, Campbell said.

Most of the cows had the skin scraped off their faces. Often, the tongue, one eye and all or part of an ear had been removed. Part of the udder was usually cut off, as well as the genitals. And in most cases, the anus had been cored.

A majority of the cows were four or five (years old); one was missing its teeth.

In the late 1970s, a high wave of alleged mutilations in the southwestern states (of the USA) prompted a federally-funded investigation. The resulting 300-page report concluded that animal predators were responsible.

Although some describe the Pondera County (cattle) deaths as a hoax or chalk them up to natural causes and predators, Campbell and fellow investigator, Sheriff's Deputy Dick Dailey, say they aren't convinced."

Cuts on the cows are often circular or oval, and--as with King's Charolais--seem to be made with surgical precision.

The animals seem to bloat faster than normal, and the missing hide doesn't reflect the work of predators, Campbell said.

"I've never seen an animal cut just the face off a cow when there's lots of other stuff they go after," he said.

One mutilated cow looked like it had been burned. Another seemed to have bruises around its neck as though it had been strangled. One had a long cut with a perfectly-ridged edge, as though the hide had been sliced with a tool similar to pinking shears.

"Also strange is that in most cases, no tracks or footprints were detected around the animals' bodies, even in mud or snow."

A misconception is that the cows had been drained of blood. Natural coagulation makes it look the creatures' fluids had been drained, Dailey said.

Dailey, who lives in Dupuyer (Montana), spent several nights this fall camped out in dark fields, trying to catch the culprit in the act. He has reviewed all the facts and checked out dozens of Web sites looking for answers.

Still, nothing.

"I've read everything I can read on it, and I really don't know what in the heck it is," he said.

Ranchers aren't sure what to think, either.

In September (2001) Jim VandenBos discovered the body of one of his \$850 two-year-old Angus (cattle) lying dead in his pasture.

"The right side of its face was skinned, and the exposed jawbone was so smooth, it looked like it had been polished, VandenBos said."

Its tongue was cut off along with its right ear, eye and reproductive organs. A tennis-ball-sized patch of skin on its shoulder was hard like plastic.

Again, coyotes--even other cattle--steered clear.

VandenBos has been ranching southwest of Valier (population 500) for more than 30 years and remembers the last wave of mutilations well.

"It's kind of a spooky thing," he said, "I haven't worried about it too much because it's something I can't control...but I'd like to find an explanation."

Toward the end of October (2001), a neighbor found the 750-pound steer that died at Glen and Ruby Bouma's dry creek bed, three miles (5 kilometers) west of Conrad.

"There was a little tail of grass pushed up like it was shoved up underneath it," Ruby Bouma said.

The hide was missing from the calf's stomach and its reproductive organs were gone, but there were no tracks, no bullet holes and no claw marks.

The calf, No. 95, was about a year old and worth \$600. It was one of the friendliest animals the Boumas owned.

A local vet said it died of dust pneumonia, but Glen and Ruby have their doubts.

"That's possible because it's so dry,' Ruby Bouma said, 'But I think we would have known if it was sick. We took special notice because it was one of two calves that are like pets to us. It would come up and smell your hand or your pant leg."

The whole thing is peculiar, if you ask the Boumas. When a cow dies of natural causes, for instance, predators will usually chew into its flesh.

Glen and Ruby's calf was missing only its hide. And when they checked on Thanksgiving Day (November 22, 2001), predators were still keeping their distance.

Some folks in the area think the U.S. Air Force or aliens are behind the mutilations but not Ruby.

"I'm sorry, but I personally think it's somebody local...they're doing it for kicks," she said.

One difficulty lead investigators have encountered in cracking the case is gathering evidence.

After two or three days, collecting evidence becomes a lost cause because the cattle are so badly decomposed. And in the summer, carcasses rot faster and often go undiscovered for weeks.

Pondera County deputies also hope a Nevada laboratory will answer some of their questions.

This fall, Campbell and Dailey chopped the head off a mutilated cow, packedit in dry ice and shipped it to the National Institute for Discovery Science (NIDS) in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The privately-funded institute pays scientists and retired police officers to investigate bizarre phenomena including mutilations and UFO sightings. A spokesman for the institute said researchers are nearly finished with their study and will send a copy of the report to the Pondera County Sheriff's Office in a couple of weeks.

Conrad is located just west of Interstate Highway I-15, approximately 58 miles (97 kilometers) northwest of Great Falls, Montana. (See the Great Falls, Montana Tribune for January 3, 2002, "Cattle mutilations back--Ranchers, lawmen baffled by crime wave" by Katie Oyan, page one. Many thanks to Louise A. Lowry for this news story)

LARGE TRIANGULAR UFOS RETURN TO BELGIUM

A new wave of "Flying Triangles," large triangular UFOs "as large as buildings," has been reported in Belgium.

The current flap is similar to the mass sightings of "Flying Triangles" over Brussels, Ghent, Antwerp and Tournai back in 1990.

Eyewitnesses report seeing "blue lighting on the undersides of the large crafts" plus yellow and orange lights.

In mid-December 2001, two men in their twenties "reported a very close encounter with a silver, cylindrical-shaped UFO" over the industrial city of Namur, located 45 kilometers (27 miles) southeast of Brussels.

"The triangles are reported having varying lengthy structures, with red, blue and green lights, as well. The UFOs are orange in color."

"Many Belgian ufologists believe the Flying Triangles are U.S.-military-related" because of the nearby presence of the Supreme Headquarters--Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE) in Belgium. (See the Belgian newspaper La Derniere Heure for

December 19, 2001. Many thanks to George A. Filer, editor of Filer's Files, for letting UFO Roundup use this news story.)

AIRLINE PASSENGER SPOTS A UFO OVER MISSISSIPPI

Mississippi's UFO flap entered its second week with the sighting of a mysterious object hovering motionless over the northern part of the state, just below the state border with Tennessee.

On Monday, December 31, 2001, at around 3 p.m., Karen A. was seated in Row 8 on the left-hand side of an American Airlines Super 80 jetliner when she decided to lift the shade on her window. The jetliner had left Dallas,

Texas at 2 p.m. and was enroute to Washington D.C. when the incident occurred.

"While enroute in flight, I decided to open my window (shade)," Karen reported. "Normally I do not like to look out plane windows, as I am not fond of flying. But we were above the clouds and it was sunny."

"To the east, I noticed a white circle above the clouds. At first I wondered how a seagull could reach the same height (altitude) we were traveling at 30,000 feet (9,000 meters). It was a few thousand feet lower than my plane. Then I thought, Well, that is silly. It was a round white object, not a bird, and it was not moving. Then it seemed to have somehow drifted slowly east, till it was right in a direct line from my window. It seemed to hover a little and drift a little further west of my plane."

"At this point, I thought, Well, with my plane moving about 500 miles an hour, I must be seeing a weather balloon. No sooner did I finish that thought than my 'weather balloon' then shot up in a diagonal western movement, clear into the horizon, not to be seen again."

Karen described the UFO as "white and perfectly round. Large enough for me to see very clearly from where I sat in the plane. I could not tell how far away it was from me, but it was quite a distance. Then the object shot

off at light speed (in my opinion, faster than any supersonic plane I have ever seen--K.A.)."

Karen is not exactly sure where the encounter took place. But the time of her encounter and the jetliner's speed would have put the Super 80 over northern Mississippi, perhaps near Oxford, which is 100 miles (160 kilometers) north of Jackson, the state capital. (Email Form Report)

CROWD OF TWENTY SPIES A UFO OVER QUEENS, N.Y.

On Sunday, December 30, 2001, at 12:30 a.m., Paulette C. and "about twenty friends" were hanging out on a corner in the borough of Queens in New York City, between Grand Central Parkway and Woodhaven Boulevard, when they spied an unusual light in the sky.

"We were looking up at the moon when all of a sudden we saw stars or what we thought was a star, the biggest in the sky, and they started to shoot in the sky," Paulette reported, "But in all directions. They would stop and dart. Some would line up and it would look like they were playing a game of cat-and-mouse. It was like that for maybe three minutes."

"I even called people out that were in the restaurant on the corner. My whole family saw these objects, and they're wondering what it is." (Email Form Report)

TRIANGULAR UFO HOVERS OVER DOVER CASTLE IN UK

On Thursday, December 20, 2001, at 5 p.m., Kevin Olds of Dover, Kent, UK "was on Albert Road, Dover when he saw three very bright lights in a triangular formation at a height (altitude) of approximately 200 to 300 feet (60 to 90 meters) coming from the direction of Dover's Eastern Docks, heading in a northerly direction."

Olds "first observed it over Dover Castle, a famous landmark, and after a couple of seconds, it banked westward and headed into his direction, getting lower. By this time, he could see a dark triangular shape which the lights were attached to. The object made no sound, and Olds 'felt it was going to crash' when it 'disappeared behind a row of nearby homes and out of view.' The entire incident lasted some 30 seconds." (Many thanks to Chris Rolfe of UFO Monitors-East Kent for this report.)

MYSTERIOUS LIGHT PLANE CRASHES SWEEP THE USA

Over the weekend, the USA was struck by three mysterious airplane crashes, all of which took place on Saturday, January 5, 2002.

The most publicized incident was the case of Charles Bishop, 15, of Palm Harbor, Florida, who crashed a Cessna 172 into the side of the Bank of America building in Tampa.

The "15-year-old student pilot took off in a small plane without permission Saturday and crashed into a skyscraper after ignoring a Coast Guard helicopter's signals to land, authorities said."

"The crash occurred after Charles Bishop's grandmother brought him to the National Aviation flight school for a 5 p.m. flying lesson, said Marianne Pasha, a spokeswoman for the Pinellas CountySheriff's Office."

"'The next thing the instructor know, he was gone,' Pasha said."

Bishop reportedly "expressed sympathies for Osama Bin Laden but said in a suicide note that he acted alone, authorities said Sunday," January 6, 2002.

"'From this action, we can assume he was a troubled young man,' Tampa police chief Bennie Holder said."

"Too young to fly solo, or even drive himself to flight school, Bishop took off without permission just before 5 p.m. Saturday. His brief flight across Tampa Bay took him over MacDill Air Force Base, the home to the bunker-like U.S. Central Command that directs all operations in Afghanistan and Central Asia."

"The base's air control tower asked a Coast Guard helicopter to shadow the Cessna 172R. The helicopter was already in the air on a standrd homeland security patrol when it intercepted the plane. A crewmember motioned repeatedly for Bishop to land. But Bishop ignored him as well as all attempts to contact him on the radio."

"Meanwhile, the military's North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD), which is responsible for defending domestic airspace, ordered F-15 fighter jets to scramble from Homestead Air Force Base south of Miami. By the time the jets reached Tampa, Bishop had crashed into the 28th floor of the 42-story Bank of America building."

The 15-year-old boy was killed instantly.

"The short, handwritten message Tampa police said they found in the pocket of Charles Bishop, 15, also expressed support for the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. In the note, the high school freshman said he acted alone, said Tampa Police Chief Bennie Holder."

"'He was acting out his sympathy for Osama Bin Laden,' Holder said Sunday. 'He expressed support for what happened on 9-11.'"

"But Andrea Panarelli, the ninth grader's honors English teacher at East Lake High School in Palm Harbor, Florida, said Bishop's fatal flight 'was totally out of the blue. None of the students saw it coming. I didn't see it coming.'"

"In one class at East Lake, Bishop wrote movingly of his anger and hurt over the lives lost in the attacks on the World Trade Center. As a private school student last year, he proudly carried the American flag and belted out the lyrics to the song America."

"Yet there were reports that he told other students to watch for him on the news, and the FBI has confiscated his computers. He hinted of a Middle Eastern background to one teacher after the terrorist attacks. Tampa police say they can't find Bishop's father, who has been long absent, but that the man, Charles Bishara, is believed to be of Syrian and Italian descent."

(Editor's Comment: Congratulations, Mr. Bishara, you just made the Ten Most Wanted List for the supposed crimes of changing your address and having ancestors from Italy and Syria. I suppose Tom Ridge's next move will be to encircle the city of North Providence, Rhode Island, where several thousand residents are "of Syrian and Italian descent," with 20-foot-high razor wire and turn it into a big concentration camp.)

Yet, the crash in Tampa wasn't the only strange incident involving light planes over the weekend.

"A single-engine airplane crashed and exploded in the foothills northwest of Boulder, Colorado," 26 miles (41 kilometers) northwest of Denver, "killing the only person on board, a sheriff's spokesman said Saturday afternoon."

"The plane went down on a hillside before 4 p.m., Boulder County Sheriff's Supervisor Jay Willette said." "The pilot's name was not immediately available."

"The site is inaccessible to vehicles, and rescuers had to walk to the debris. The fire was out by the time the first rescuers arrived, Willette said."

"He did not know where the flight originated or where it was headed."

And in southern California, "a twin-engine plane crashed a block away from an airport Saturday, killing at least one person, authorities said."

"The Cessna 337 Skymaster crashed in a vacant lot in a commercial and residential area" of Buena Park, California, 20 miles (32 kilometers) southeast of Los Angeles, "Orange County Fire Authority Capt. Stephen Miller said."

"Miller did not know how many people were aboard the six-seat plane."

"The pilot had been cleared to land just before 1 p.m. when air traffic controllers saw it roll over and crash about a block west of Fullerton Municipal Airport."

"The plane knocked down telephone lines, crashed into a wall and exploded into flames, Miller said." (See the Duluth, Minn. News-Tribune for January 6, 2002, "Small planes crashes into Tampa building," page 4; the Chicago Tribune for January 7, 2002, "Boy's crash shows security has holes," page 1; USA Today for January 7, 2002, "Copycat raises security questions," page 3A, and for January 8, 2002, "Family, friends struggle to find reason for suicide crash," page 4A; and the Duluth, Minn. News-Tribune for January 6, 2002, "One dead in plane crash" and "Twin-engine plane crash kills two," page 2.)

From the UFO Files...

1995: PHANTOM TRUCKERS ON THE PRAIRIE

Another unusual "phantom trucker" encounter took place in December 1995 on the prairie in western North Dakota.

Kevin and Sharon H. left their home in Bismarck, the capital of North Dakota, for a Christmas trip in late December 1995. They were headed west on Interstate Highway I-94. "The husband-and-wife duo was driving to visit

Sharon's family for a week-long Christmas vacation outing.. Little could they have realized that this simple cross-country trip would turn into a life-or-death ordeal."

"Even though it was one of those on-again, off-again, snow-filled Decembers, they thought they could handle the trip. After all, they did have a four-wheel-drive vehicle with snow tires."

"What started out as a light snow turned heavy. In less than two hours, the snow and ice became so terrible that they had to pull over to the shoulder of the highway" near Hebron, North Dakota (population 700).

"'It's okay, honey,' said Kevin. 'The snow will be over soon. Then we can start again.'"

"But the snow and ice just wouldn't stop."

"'It looks like it's never going to let up!' exclaimed Sharon."

"'Come on, Sharon. You know it will. As soon as it lightens up a bit, we'll start driving again.'"

"They waited. And waited and waited. After to close to a half-hour of constant (snow) bombardment, even Kevin began getting worried."

"'We're going to be buried in here if we don't do something fast!' cried Sharon."

"'Let's try to get back on the Interstate.'"

"Kevin started the engine and tried to get back onto the road."

"'We're stuck!' he exclaimed."

"Getting out of the car, Kevin tried his best to clear snow from the wheels. But it was useless. The ice was unyielding. Now their car was stuck. And if it kept on snowing like this, they would soon be buried."

"Pulling out their cell phone, Kevin received nothing but ear-crackling static. They knew they were in a terrible situation."

"Immediately Kevin got out and retrieved his emergency equipment from the trunk (boot in UK--J.T.). This gear consisted of some orange (highway) cones, flares, an extremely warm Air Force blanket, a first-aid kit and some canned food."

"Kevin began getting really worried. Not wanting to let his wife see him panic, Kevin played it cool...as cool as he could under such circumstances."

"Because he didn't want to wear down the car batteries, he now began rationing the car's heat. It must have been ten (degrees) below zero (Fahrenheit) outside, but at least they didn't have the stabbing icy knives of wind to cut them."

"Eventually their hopes of being rescued began to fade. Sharon suggested trying something they usually never did."

"'Let's pray,' she suggested."

"'What?'"

"'You know, pray.'"

"'I haven't prayed since I was a little kid in the first grade,' said Kevin.

"'Well, it's probably time you started again,' answered his wife."

"Kevin hesitated. He didn't think he could remember how. After all, he was always an in-charge, take-charge kind of guy. He had never thought he would have to ask God for anything."

"Realizing that they were in a very bad situation, he finally agreed to pray as he clasped his frigid hand in his wife's."

"'Dear Lord, please, please send one of your angels to help us,' they prayed."

Every passing minute seemed like an hour. Kevin lost all track of time. In the darkness, he listened to the howl of the relentless prairie wind as the snow piled up around their car.

"Then, Kevin opened his eyes with a start."

"'Did you hear that?' he asked anxiously."

"His wife opened her eyes and looked around."

"'It's still snowing. I can't see anything.'"

"'No! I think I hear a motor!'"

"Quickly getting out of the car, Kevin saw a large green tow truck, complete with a large snow plow, slowly making its way toward them through the falling snow."

It's the state highway department! he thought, We're saved!

"'Right here! Hey! Over here!'" he yelled, jumping out into the middle of the road. In a moment, the truck came to a halt."

"Two large men got out of the truck. They were wearing white parkas. The men's faces were obscured with green scarves with dark slits for eye holes. Kevin didn't need to do much talking because both men nodded and quickly got to work. Before long, the car was able to get back onto the road."

"As they were ready to roll, Kevin turned back to thank the two men. Both the men and their truck had disappeared."

Getting into the car, Kevin told his wife that "he couldn't see them because of the bad weather conditions."

"But Sharon insisted that they had literally disappeared. 'I saw them flash their lights at us as if to say goodbye,' she remembers, 'Then, as I turned to look back, they were gone!'"

As the first glimmers of dawn appeared in the east, the couple drove past a state highway department yard on their side of the highway. A big tow truck, similar to the one they had seen, its headlights ablaze, rolled out of the yard and started down the interstate highway. Seeing lights on in the office, Kevin pulled off the highway into the yard. He wanted to leave a thank-you note for the heroic two-man crew that dug out his half-buried vehicle.

Entering the office, Kevin saw a male dispatcher at the radio console. "Hi," he said, "My car was stuck in snow a couple of hours ago. Back there around Mile Marker 102. Couple of your boys dug us out. I wanted to thank them."

The dispatcher gave him a strange look. "Mister," he said, "What are you talking about? There's been nobody on the highway all night. Why, the first plow just went out of here five minutes ago!" (See Christmas Angels, Globe Mini-Mags, Boca Raton, Florida, December 2001, "Angels in a Blizzard," page 38.)

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NASA's Future Role In Space?

From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u> Date: 9 Jan 2002 17:16:18 -0800 Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 02:57:45 -0500 Subject: NASA's Future Role In Space?

On December 27, James Oberg and Marcia Smith, writer of the rumored President Carter UFO report, appeared together on National Public Radio to discuss "What's Next in Space?" They discussed the regular issues of the space station, returning to the moon, and even the overplayed fund raiser of "perhaps we will land men on Mars someday." A picture was presented, that money was short, but NASA has many plans for the future in space.

Some historical documents however, indicate that NASA may just be just a dog and pony show, in the actual future space plans by top US movers and shakers.

Consider, for example the following historical case. On June 27, 1982 President Ronald Reagan invited 36 people to take part in a screening of the movie "ET: The Extraterrestrial." The Steven Spielberg movie dealt with a young extraterrestrial who becomes stranded on earth and struggles to return, while U.S. government agents try to capture him. Spielberg himself was on of the people at the private White House screening.

Spielberg sat right beside President Reagan during the showing. Following the screening, the President leaned over, clapped Spielberg on the shoulder, and quietly commented something to the effect, "You know, there aren't six people in this room who know how true this really is." Unfortunately, the sudden press of people approaching Spielberg and the President prevented Spielberg from pursuing the strange comment made by Reagan.

The movie started at 8:22 p.m., and the President retired for the night as soon as the movie was over. Now, the very next event on Reagan's schedule was at 9:47 in the morning. It occurred in the White House Situation Room where George W. Bush and other top officials monitored the September 11th terrorist attack. The room is described by the NSC as " a 24-hour watch and alert center. Its mission is to provide the President, the National Security Advisor and the members of the NSC staff with current intelligence and open-source information in support of the formulation and implementation of national security policy."

The Reagan briefing was described as "Briefing of the U.S. Space Program Policy." In the daily schedule the briefing was described as a briefing on the "U.S. Space Program." In attendance for the briefing were Reagan, Bush, Reagan's Chief of Staff and Deputy, National Security Advisor and three deputies, a staff member of the National Security Council, and Reagan's Science Advisor. The one group that was absent from the room was NASA. Not a single representative from the space agency was present. It makes one wonder.

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Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Chalker

From: Bill Chalker <bill c@bigpond.com>
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>Subject: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines

>From 'The Australian', 5th Jan 2002, page 6

>'Raelians Offer A Flight To Justice'
>By Paul Toohey

>A Group of UFO enthusiasts who support human cloning and >eugenics has offered to pay the travel and legal costs of >Aborigines who might like to go to Belgium to sue the Pope.

>The Australian branch of the Raelian Movement, which claims >55,000 members world-wide, said it wanted to support Aborigines >by initiating compensation claims for crimes committed and >admitted by the Catholic Church.

I suspect this will do little to add credibility to legitimate aboriginal grievances. Only the best, well intentioned, on site, real time and active programmes and activities will be meaningful in the long term. Action now, not just tommorrow, carried out through close cooperation, not mediated by hidden agendas, seems to be what is needed. The Raelian "support" may have its own agenda?

Recently I spent time with aborigines in researching and investigating some potentially significant UFO claims. This involved close cooperation between us and our aboriginal hosts and guides in the near Outback. Without their cooperation progress would have been difficult. The situation showed us glimpses of the worst and best of the interface between black and white cultures. It left me with strong positive feelings that enhanced my existing affection for the aboriginal people and their culture. But subtle and sometimes explicit acts of discrimination or harrassment against these aborigines were depressing to witness. I hope I see the day when these communities can exist where such discrimination or harrassment become absent or at least very unusual.

Regards,

Bill Chalker

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Lorraine Mafi-Williams Aboriginal

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Subject: Lorraine Mafi-Williams Aboriginal

Lorraine Mafi-Williams aboriginal "contactee/abductee" (1940-2001)

Lorraine Mafi-Williams once asked me to write her "shamanic biography", but too many things intervened. I was sadden to learn in July from Tweed Head aborigines that she had passed away.

Aspects of her life have been recorded in diverse sources. She has an entry in the Encyclopedia of Aboriginal Australia (1994) Vol.2 pg. 641-642, which records her "stolen generation" background and her contribution to media arts.

I found this undated piece in the local Byron Shire Echo newspaper web site.

http://www.echo.net.au/

She died in February, 2001.

Aboriginal activist Lorraine Mafi Williams dies

"Eve Sinton Lorraine Mafi Williams, an Aboriginal activist often at the centre of local controversy, died last Tuesday aged 60. Ms Mafi Williams was the daughter of the Rev. Bob Turnbull, an activist in the 30s and 40s, and her family was from the Woodenbong area. She was born at the Purfleet Mission at Kempsey. Like many of her generation, Lorraine Mafi Williams was taken from her parents at a young age. During the 70s and 80s she became part of a powerful activist group in Sydney. With her cousin Mum Shirl and her niece Isabel Coe she was instrumental in helping care for over 4,000 troubled children of many ethnic backgrounds. She helped found the Black Theatre in Newtown that started many people such as Eddie Mabo and Brian Brown in acting and political careers. Ms Mafi Williams was a film maker and her short film Eelemarni won the Erwin Rado Award For Best Australian Film, Melbourne Film Festival, 1988. She was also a writer and story-teller, and edited Spirit Song, the first anthology of Aboriginal poetry, published by Omnibus Books in 1993. Ms Mafi Williams undertook a great deal of Aboriginal women's business. Leavers Lake, a small tea-tree lake near Suffolk Park, was of particular importance to her. Her occupation of land at Suffolk Park, where she wanted to establish a cultural sanctuary, was strongly opposed by the Arakwal people. Her friend Bob Cummins said, "She was a brilliant person, but Byron Bay turned on her and she was reduced to the status of a charlatan by people ignorant of her knowledge. These pressures contributed to her death." Ms Mafi Williams had been seriously ill over the past three years, suffering two heart attacks and being diagnosed with diabetes. She had spent many months in and out of hospital, and died peacefully in her sleep. Her funeral arrangements had not been finalised as The Echo went to press."

I followed her career with interest from the late 1960s through to the 1990s. I interviewed Lorraine back in 1996 and she also wrote down her beliefs for me.

I referred to her in my own book "The OZ Files - the Australian UFO Story" (1996), pgs 211-212:

Some aboriginal people are already coming forward to tell of possible UFO or abduction related experiences. For example, Lorraine Mafi-Williams, who has been described as a storyteller and liaison officer for the spiritual truths of her Githebul group from the Bundjalung tribe, has revealed to me some of her perceptions of these intrusions into both aboriginal and western lives.

Our attitude to what goes on up in the heavens is what rules us Aboriginals. Its similar to religion, whereby Christians believe in a religious world ruled by one God, but many Saints , we believe the same only the many saints to us are planetary ones whom you in the the Western world refer to as ET or aliens. We call them Wandjinas and Mimi Spirits, and have done so for thousands of years, until 1788, when an English concept of the above was interestingly enough (found to be) parralel to what we have practised for eons; that we commonly refer to as our Dreamtime, that began in the Milky Way.

Lorraine suggests that communications from these beings is ongoing and cites her own experiences with her old friend since the age of 12. She feels she is an abductee my dear old friend took me up, yes in a UFO, but a different sort to the western beliefs. Her experiences were more spiritually orientated. She adds, I went through all or nearly what abductees did ... " Lorraine indicated, We believe in UFO, but here to we have the aboriginal concept and belief, and we know about abductions and why.

Lorraine has, over a number of decades, courageously tried to act as a bridge between western and indigineous cultures, to improve understanding between both. In doing so, she has occassionally drew the ire and prejudices of both cultures."

I explore some of the wider issues in a seperate research document:

http://www.project1947.com/forum/bcabor.htm

In an evocative book, 'Unconventional Means: The Dream Down Under' (In Circle Press, 2000, see <u>www.incirclepress.com</u>) Anne Richardson Williams takes a "spiritual journey" meeting with Lorraine Mafi-Williams in Australia and recording some of her aboriginal traditional stories and other sometimes eclectic beliefs that reflect the bridging path Lorraine took. This book is not a UFO book but rather a personal journey and refection on the resonances of that journey. It is a story that resonates well with Lorraine's own journey.

During 2001 I spent some time in research and just plain exploring and experiencing on and around the striking Mt. Warning, near Murwillumbah. While there for other reasons I kept thinking about Lorraine during some of this time. At the time I did not know she had passed away. The aboriginal name for Mt. Warning is Wollumbin. Lorraine Mafi-Williams was an aboriginal custodian for Wollumbin.

Lorraine Mafi-Williams: aboriginal activist & media identity, writer & film maker, keeper of the stories, a "stolen generation" survivor, self-claimed alien abductee, native custodian of Wollumbin, spirit of place wandering (1940-2001).

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EW: Vatican Astronomer Admits Possibility Of ET

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VATICAN ASTRONOMER ADMITS POSSIBILITY OF ET UFO & ETI News

*** A Spanish newspaper reports comments by the director of the Vatican Observatory regarding extraterrestrial intelligence ***

From: Scott Corrales Institute of Hispanic Ufology (IHU) Source: El Mundo (newspaper-Spain) Date: Monday, January 7,2002

EFE.- Jesuit George Coyne, director of the Vatican Observatory, is convinced of the existence of extraterrestrial life and states that it is "madness" to think than humans are alone in the universe.

Father Coyne and his scientific team reached this conclusion after studying the heavens from the astrophysical research center located at the Papal summer residence at Castelgandolfo near Rome.

"The universe is so vast that it would be madness to think that we're an exception," said Coyne in an interview with the Milan newspaper "Corriere della Sera", underlining that "each day new data is amassed" which leads to the possibility of life forms different from those found on Earth. "The more we study the stars, the more aware we become of our own ignorance," he adds.

The Jesuit priest, responsible since 1978 for an observatory with more than a century of history behind it and reporting directly to the Holy See, states that "Science does not undermine faith; rather, it stimulates it."

He admits not having any proof of extraterrestrial life.

However, he admits that while there is no scientific evidence today that proves the existence of life beyond Earth, Coyne is aware that this eventuality opens a disquieting series of mysteries for believers, and represents "a great challenge", but that it should not be considered to be a "dramatic" event.

In this regard, the astronomer points out that certain sectors of the Church consider it negative to debate or study matters which could make Catholic doctrine "tremble somewhat." However, he insists that there is not necessarily any conflict between the Biblical origin of the Cosmos and the current ones being championed by science, such as the Big Bang.

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'Alien' Message Tests Human Decoders

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 03:22:54 -0500 Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 03:22:54 -0500 Subject: 'Alien' Message Tests Human Decoders

http://www.newscientist.com/news/news.jsp?id=ns99991757

15:34 08 January 02

Will Knight

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If new message had been based on language, it would be impossible for an alien intelligence to decode it. So, instead, a two-dimensional image was converted into a binary string of ones and zeros. These can then easily be transmitted as a radio or laser signal.

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The sensitivity of interplanetary communications was demonstrated in 1999 when a previous message written by Dutil and Dumas was found to contain an error that could have seriously confused an alien recipient if it had not been corrected in the nick of time.

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The pair have an even grander plan for the future - to develop a software system that can automatically decode alien messages, regardless of excess noise.

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Re: 'Alien' Message Tests Human Decoders - Rotstan

From: Karl Rotstan <<u>rotstan</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 11:45:03 -0000 Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 12:18:23 -0500 Subject: Re: 'Alien' Message Tests Human Decoders - Rotstan

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Hi all,

Attached* is an MS Word file which decodes the picture in the message. It seems to be a variety of images, including a map of the earth, human figures, apparently some chemical diagrams (carbon chains?) and others. It only took a few minutes to pull this out, so I reckon our alien friends will be able to figure it out quickly too. I am sure others can improve on this, but I thought I'd share these initial results.

Karl

*[Go to: <u>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/</u> click 'List Attachments' follow links --ebk]

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Re: Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object -

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 12:51:10 -0500
Subject: Re: Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object -

>Date: Wed, 9 Jan 2002 12:38:28 -0500 >From: Bruce Maccabee <<u>brumac</u>@compuserve.com> >Subject: UFO UpDate: Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>Source: WKMG TV - Orlando, Florida

>>http://www.mycfnow.com/orlpn/news/stories/news-117686420020107-090141.html

>>Man Wants \$10 Million For Strange Object >>Newspaper Ad Claims Object Can Explain Antigravity

>>Posted: 10:20 a.m. EST January 7, 2002 >>Updated: 11:35 a.m. EST January 7, 2002

>>Port St. John, Fla. - A Florida man wants \$10 million for an >>object that he says came from an UFO, Local 6 News reported.

>>James Hughes recently took out an advertisement in The Florida >>Today newspaper for an object he said could hold the secret to >>antigravity.

>>Hughes told Local 6 News reporter Donald Forbes that his friend >>was in a New Jersey garbage dump 45 years ago when a >>cigar-shaped UFO dumped the rock-looking piece. He said that his >>friend gave him the object because he was a physicist.

><snip>

><LOL>

>It's nice to know that UFOs do not use the _whole_ earth as a >garbage dump, only the places which we humans have designated as >garbage dumps. If the aliens were dumping it, could it be that >it no longer worked and was garbage? Or may be aliens eat rocks >and this rock was too old to eat so they dumped it.....

>That guy better take the 7.5 million offer while its still hot >(if it is hot).

Hello Bruce:

Amazing.

- Larry

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <<u>ikclark@frontiernet.net></u>
Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 09:03:44 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 12:53:02 -0500
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>From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
>Subject: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>Consider, for example the following historical case. On June 27, >1982, President Ronald Reagan invited 36 people to take part in a >screening of the movie "ET: The Extraterrestrial." The Steven >Spielberg movie dealt with a young extraterrestrial who becomes >stranded on earth and struggles to return, while U.S. government >agents try to capture him. Spielberg himself was on of the >people at the private White House screening.

>Spielberg sat right beside President Reagan during the showing. >Following the screening, the President leaned over, clapped >Spielberg on the shoulder, and quietly commented something to >the effect, "You know, there aren't six people in this room who >know how true this really is." Unfortunately, the sudden press >of people approaching Spielberg and the President prevented >Spielberg from pursuing the strange comment made by Reagan.

I would bet the ranch, or at least my acre or two of it, that this is an urban legend. It certainly looks, sounds, and smells like one.

Jerry Clark

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From: Bill Hamilton <skywatcher22@space.com>
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Subject: Re: Re: 'Alien' Message Tests Human Decoders -

>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 03:22:54 -0500 >To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers ->From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u> >Subject: UFO UpDate: 'Alien' Message Tests Human Decoders

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>http://www.newscientist.com/news/news.jsp?id=ns99991757

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>Will Knight

>'Alien' message tests human decoders

>A message that will be broadcast into space later in 2002 has >been released to scientists worldwide, to test that it can be >decoded easily. The researchers who devised the message >eventually hope to design a system that could automatically >decode an alien reply.

>Unlike previous interstellar broadcasts, the new message is >designed to withstand significant interference and interruption >during transmission.

>"People have tried sending messages in the past, but have not >accounted for noise," says Yvan Dutil, who currently works for a >Canadian telecommunications company, but developed the message >as a private project with Stephane Dumas, who works at the >Defence Research Establishment Atlantic in Canada.

>If new message had been based on language, it would be >impossible for an alien intelligence to decode it. So, instead, >a two-dimensional image was converted into a binary string of >ones and zeros. These can then easily be transmitted as a radio >or laser signal.

>"Currently, most resources are focused on signal detection, and >not message composition or decoding," says Brian McConnel, >author of Beyond Contact: A Guide to SETI and Communicating with >Alien Civilisations. "I think it is important to research the >latter because the worst-case scenario would be positive >confirmation of an ET signal that nobody can comprehend."

If you have seen the film 'A Beautiful Mind' depicting the code breaking abilities of John Forbes Nash Jr., then one would be convinced that he and other superb code breakers would be the ones to examine candidate alien transmissions. If you have read the book, you won't see the reference to code breaking shown in the movie.

Of course, if ETs have been decoding our signals and our language from their spacecraft fly-overs, then they may not be transmitting anything enigmatic (or maybe they just make glyphs in crops).

-Bill H.

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Filer's Files - #02 - 2002

From: George A. Filer <<u>WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com></u>
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Subject: Filer's Files - #02 - 2002

FILER'S FILES #02-2002 MUFON Skywatch Investigations George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern January 9, 2002, <u>Majorstar</u>@AOL.COM. Webmaster Chuck Warren <u>http://www.cewarren.com</u>

UFOS HAVE BEEN REPORTED in Maryland, Virginia, Wisconsin, Montana, Washington, California, the United Kingdom and Indonesia. The number of UFO reports dropped sharply during the Holidays as they have done in recent years, but have increased during January 2002.

SIGNS OF EXTRATERRESTRIAL LIFE

Leonard David, Senior Space Writer reports, Looking for life elsewhere is a tough task for human or robot. The good news is that the scientific skill and tools to search for, detect, and inspect extraterrestrial life are advancing rapidly. A revolution in the field of microbiology is afoot, along with extraordinary progress in understanding the "geobiological" history of Earth. And then there's growing amazement about life on this planet and how it can survive and thrive even in the most extreme and bizarre of environments. For example, within the last ten years, more than 1,500 new species of microorganisms have been discovered and genetically sequenced. In a just issued report, "Signs of Life," a multidisciplinary group of scientists grappled with techniques and technologies to detect evidence for extraterrestrial life -- either on the spot on other worlds, or within prime pickings hauled back to Earth by robotic spacecraft. Spurred largely by an April 2000 workshop Nation! al Research Council (NRC) Committee on the Origins and Evolution of Life many attendees are developing techniques to detect life, and modeling the environments in which such techniques might be used on other planets. http://www.space.com/searchforlife/lifesigns spots 020103.html

Editors Note: Some scientists now believe that the 1976 landings of two Viking Landers actually found the presence of life on Mars, but the positive results were wrongly interpreted. The technological ability to spot life on celestial bodies has made impressive strides and don't be surprised that new announcements may be forth coming. The December 5 to 17, 2001, STS-108 NASA Shuttle flight encountered UFOs during its mission. The shuttle video according to Jeff Challender shows the sunset in space and the tail of the shuttle disappears going into the evening terminator. However, an unidentified flying object is pulsating slowly in the distance. The object is further out in space still in the sun light above the earth. The object is clearly blinking its lights.

"IT'S MADNESS TO BELIEVE THAT MAN IS ALONE":

Vatican Astronomer -- Jesuit George Coyne, director of the Vatican Observatory, is convinced of the existence of extraterrestrial life and states that it is "madness" to think than humans are alone in the universe. Father Coyne and his scientific team reached this conclusion after studying the heavens from the astrophysical research center located at Castelgandolfo near Rome. "The universe is so vast that it would be madness to think that we're an exception," said Coyne in an interview with the Milan newspaper "Corriere della Sera", underlining that "each day new data is amassed" which leads to the possibility of life forms different from those found on Earth. "The more we study the stars, the more aware we become of our own ignorance," he adds. The Jesuit priest, responsible since 1978 for an observatory with more than a century of history behind it and reporting directly to the Holy See, states that "Science does not undermine faith; rather, it stimulates it." He admits not having any proof of extraterrestrial life. He insists that there is not necessarily any conflict between the Biblical origin of the Cosmos and the current ones being championed by science, such as the Big Bang. Thanks to Translation (C) 2001. Scott Corrales, Institute of Hispanic Ufology.

TELESCOPE TECHNOLOGY MAY YIELD IMAGES OF EXTRA-SOLAR PLANETS

William Harwood Special to The Washington Post reports that, "Ground-based telescopes equipped with computer-controlled, flexible mirrors to counteract the blurring turbulence of Earth's atmosphere are on the verge of being able to photograph large planets orbiting nearby sun-like stars. While about 80 extra-solar planets have been discovered using indirect techniques -- measuring the effects of an unseen planet's gravity on the parent star, for example -- no one has directly made an image of a planet orbiting another sun. But two discoveries reported yesterday at the winter meeting of the American Astronomical Society here indicate the rapidly maturing technology known as adaptive optics almost certainly will allow ground-based astronomers to do just that in a few years, if not sooner. "It's technically now possible to directly image a young Jupiter around a nearby young star," said Ray Jayawardhana, an astronomer at the University of California at Berkeley. "We have not di! rectly imaged a young planet yet. But it could very well happen in the next few years, so keep your eyes and ears open." With adaptive optics, a thin secondary mirror is precisely flexed many times per second under computer control so it can largely reverse the effects of atmospheric turbulence on light entering the telescope. The result is a much sharper image. snip." (c) 2002 The Washington Post Company January 8, 2002; Page A03

MARYLAND FLUORESCENT GREEN BLUE CENTERED EGG SHAPED OBJECT

BEL AIR -- As we were driving south bound on Tollgate Road on January 7, 2002, we saw a bright fluorescent green colored glowing egg shaped object with a faint blue center. It was traveling from northeast to southwest at 5:49 PM, and seamed to suddenly drop from the sky. It followed a path that started high and decreased lower in the sky even though when the object did disappear it was still very high but lower from where it started. We listened for an explosion like fireworks, but we heard or saw nothing. We figured it could not have been a meteor because the object would have been white, red, or yellow and it would have not followed a curved arc shaped path. The object from our car window was very large and it was traveling at an extremely fast pace, like a falling star. The object had a faint blue center surrounded in green. There was no tail. You could definitely see a blue dot in the center of the object and you could also notice where the objects edges were. When the o! bject disappeared it was going very fast and was still very high above the horizon. It disappeared instantly with no explosion, sound, or change of shape or color.

BALTIMORE -- The witness noticed a streaking white light similar to a "shooting star" flying over on January 7, 2002, at 5:55 PM, but it was two or three times larger. The light suddenly turned into a blue light that was even larger and then accelerated forward at an incredible rate and was no longer visible. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, Director, National UFO Reporting Center <u>director</u>@ufocenter.com, <u>www.UFOCENTER.com</u>, Hotline: (206) 722-3000

VIRGINIA HORIZONTAL MOVING BLUISH GREEN LIGHT

RICHMOND -- The witness was in parking lot at Midlothian Turnpike at 5:45 PM when he noticed a colored light flying over on January 7, 2002. At first he thought it was a low flying airplane, but it caught his eye because the color was a beautiful bluish green and very bright. The witness reports, "I noticed it was moving at a steady rate of speed and no other lights and no sound. I then noticed how fast it was moving and yelled at my coworker to look but it passed very quickly horizontally from west to east at what appeared to be exactly the same altitude. It didn't look like a shooting star-because it was too low, no tail, and the light was a steady rate of speed and much too fast & silent for an aircraft. Thanks to NUFORC <u>www.UFOCENTER.com</u>,

ILLINOIS CESSNA DISAPPEARS IN THE TRIANGLE

LAKE MICHIGAN -- A small Cessna airplane, with four people aboard, disappeared over Lake Michigan Sunday," December 9, 2001, near Wilmette Harbor. "A search for four people, missing since their small rented airplane apparently plunged into Lake Michigan was suspended shortly after sundown Monday," December 10, 2001. "The Coast Guard Group Milwaukee failed to turn up any sign of the missing single-engine Cessna aircraft that was carrying four people, including three licensed pilots. the Chicago Tribune for December 11, 2001, "Plane search stops as hope fades," page 7.) Thanks to Joe Trainor, Editor UFO Roundup 1/7/02 Note: This is the latest in a long series of small aircraft that have vanished without a trace over Lake Michigan. For more, read "The Great Lakes Triangle" by Jay Gourley, Fawcett Gold Medal Books, New York, NY, 1977.)

WISCONSIN FLYING OBJECT

WATERFORD, RACINE COUNTY -- UFOWisconsin reports that the witness who wishes to remain anonymous stated, "I was sitting out by the farm areas with my son on January 5, 2002, just north of Wind Lake and just south of Waterford. I was looking at the stars when I saw something that was square shaped that stopped for about 30 seconds. It then started moving slowly and disappeared. I would have thought that I was seeing things, but my son who is 13 years old, pointed it out to me. Note: We are trying to follow up with this witness. We found it unusual that the object he saw in the sky was square shaped. Thanks to <u>jenny</u>@ufowisconsin.com,

http://www.ufowisconsin.com/county/reports/r2002_0105_racine.ht m]

MONTANA STRANGE LIGHTS

BILLINGS -- Unusual white lights were spotted hovering over the West End of Billings Saturday at about 6:00 PM. A woman and her husband were in their pickup truck when they spotted a lighted half-spherical object hover about 1,000 feet above 36th Street West. The object had one flashing light and hovered for about four minutes. "My husband knows airplanes and he said, `"Those aren't any airplane lights." As soon as he said that, it took off," she said. "Within two seconds, we couldn't see it. It was that fast. I don't know what to make of it." A Billings man who spends most of his evening riding a bicycle in the downtown area said he spotted the flying object, but thought it was just a very fast aircraft. Thanks to The Billings Gazette, Copyright (c) and Louise A. Lowry http://www.ufoxfiles.com/WorldOfTheStrange/default.asp

MONTANA INVESTIGATION OF A REPORT OF ANIMAL MUTILATION

DUPUYER -- National Institute for Discovery Science" NIDS received a call from local law enforcement regarding a six-year old Red Angus cow found dead at 8:00-9:00 AM on July 27, 2001. The animal was lying on its right side. The left eye and eyelid were missing, the hide from the left jaw was missing and parts of the tongue were gone. The vagina and rectum were also missing. A thorough examination of the area by law enforcement failed to reveal any tracks, markings or signs of struggle from the animal. When the hide under the left jaw was cut away, investigators noticed a greenish-colored tissue mass just under the jaw. The green color markedly contrasted with the pink color of the surrounding tissue. Because of the ambient temperature and humidity in the area and to prevent further decomposition, the head of the animal was severed and immediately frozen. After the head was thoroughly frozen it was shipped to NIDS in Las Vegas and stored at -85=BAC to prevent further decomposi! tion.

NIDS then consulted with a forensic expert, whose analysis of

the eyes and jaw showed no blood in the tissue, indicating that the heart had stopped beating upon removal of the tissues. If the animal was mutilated, the mutilation occurred after death. In addition to the gross pathology, samples of eye fluid from the animal's right eye and tissue from the neck area were collected. A comprehensive set of organic extraction procedures followed by Infrared spectrometry and gas chromatography mass spectrometry (GCMS) analysis were conducted to determine the molecular components in the eye fluid and tissues. Preliminary chemical analysis was also conducted on maggot mass from the animal. A second animal was obtained from a slaughterhouse and left to decompose for four days as a sham or control animal. Tissue and eye fluid from the control animal was subjected to identical extraction and analytical procedures.

A compound called oxindole was found in both tissue and eye fluid from the mutilated animal but not in the control animal, suggesting oxindole was not a decomposition product. The clinical and pharmacological properties of oxindole in animals cause profound sedation, decrease in blood pressure, decrease in muscular tone and loss of consciousness (Orcutt et al. (1964) Arch. Int. Pharmacodynam. 152, 121-131). Our failure to find oxindole in the control animal leads us to the working hypothesis that oxindole may have been used to sedate the animal prior to its death and mutilation. Similar analyses of different mutilated animals in the future will either substantiate or negate this working hypothesis. For example, the pharmacokinetic data on administration of oxindole to large animals is scanty as are the data on the extent of rumen-saliva recycling of tryptophan metabolites. A second hypothesis is that a traumatic event triggered the swift accumulation of oxindole in the tissu! es of the mutilated animal but not in the control animal. Since the summer of 2001, NIDS has received over eight reports of animal mutilations from Montana, the majority of which were too old to seriously investigate. Nevertheless, this number of reports in a few months constitutes by far the largest report frequency received in the history of NIDS investigations of the animal mutilation phenomenon. Therefore, the present case should be seen not as an isolated incident, but in the context of a wave of mutilation reports in 2001 from Montana. It should also be noted that during the period 1974-1977, the Great Falls area of Montana was the focus of an intense wave of animal mutilations. NIDS is gratified by the increasing spirit of cooperation between our organization and ranchers, law enforcement officials and veterinarians. Call NIDS at (702-798-1700) The full 50 page report with photographs at http://www.nidsci.org. NIDS@lb.bcentral.com

WASHINGTON LARGE BLACK FLYING OBJECTS

PORT ANGELES -- My husband was outside on December 29, 2001, watching the sky as he often does, waiting for me to get ready. He observed a huge black object above him at 4:20 PM seemingly cloaked in the clouds. It was a calm day, with a partial cloud cover and no wind. He watched the object(s) for a minute then ran in to yell for me to "come now PLEASE!" I ran outside and he related to me what he had seen, since the object was no longer there. He described it as a huge black "wall," but it almost seemed to be changing shapes within the cloud. He said it was at least two football fields in length. We continued to watch the sky and a minute later, we both observed a solid, black disc shaped object fall like a leaf from the clouds, about 1/2 mile from where the object originally was seen by my husband. It seemed to be heading north just above the treeline, so we didn't see where it went, just that it fell. Then directly above that, in the clouds again, I saw what appeared to be! two large black objects "dancing" in the clouds. I immediately said "oh, look honey, they're hang-gliders!" However, they were quite large, in fact it could have been one object, as the clouds were obscuring parts of whatever I was seeing. They or it continued moving for about 10 seconds, and then completely disappeared into the cloud cover. This is the first time either of us has witnessed anything remotely unexplainable in the sky. We are at a complete loss as to how to explain it. We've thought of kites, hang-gliders, balloons, airplanes, blimps, stealth bombers, none of it seems to fit. There were no visible lights on the object(s); it was just big and black. It made no noise. It was afternoon, with about 1 hour left of good daylight. I am a professional, working in the health care field here in town. My husband is a stay at home

dad, caring for our 2 year old son. We have been going nuts trying to figure this out. Thanks to Peter Davenport, NUFORC www.UFOCENTER.com, Ho! tline: (206) 722-3000

CALIFORNIA FIVE LUMINESCENT OBJECTS

TURLOCK --On January 7, 2002, five objects were observed flying in single file by a qualified aerospace observer. The objects were equally spaced and flying on west trajectory without navigation lights. The objects were white luminescent and observed for approximately 10 seconds. The observer was in process of aligning Jupiter with 6.3 mm eyepiece and looked up from telescope at 9:03 PM and noticed what first appeared to be meteorites, however, the objects were moving at only 1/2 speed of meteorites as compared to Leonid shower average. They were first observed at 35 degrees elevation in the East (plus or minus 5 degrees) and last observed at 30 degrees elevation West (plus or minus 5 degrees). The flying objects did not deviate trajectory, but remained single file, equally spaced. The objects had approximately one degree of spacing between them as observed from the ground. No sound was heard. Jupiter was beginning to blur slightly due to fog. My hypothesis is that the objec! ts appeared to be in low Earth orbit, allowing sunlight to be reflected, causing a white luminous appearance. The objects may have been space debris, but unusual due to the exact same spacing between them. No classification has been set at this time. The observer has spent 27 years in the aerospace environment, with full knowledge of all nonclassified aircraft, and limited classified aircraft including SR 71 and Air Transport experience with nighttime identification capabilities for most aircraft.

ALLBROOK -- On January 6, 2002, the witness was walking his dog about 9:30 PM, when he heard a military jet approaching from the southeast. He states, "I saw a light which appeared to be a jet followed by another fighter jet, then all of a sudden the second fighter hit the after burner to increase its speed. The jet appeared to be trying to catch the first object. When the jet finally got close to the first object, it made a 90 degree turn, and just flew off to the south and was gone in a blink of a eye. The second fighter turned around and headed back towards Miramar Base. I have never seen an object change direction so quickly and have a speed well above anything we have; I would guess it flew at a speed of 5000 miles per hour. It was out of sight in a less than a tenth of a second. I just got a glimpse of its tremendous speed out of the corner of my eye. We rarely have any military fighters fly over. They were probably flying under 20,000 feet and none have ever kicked in! their after burners. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, Director, National UFO Reporting Center <u>director</u>@ufocenter.com, <u>www.UFOCENTER.com</u>, Hotline: (206) 722-3000

MEXICAN SIGHTINGS CONTINUE AT POPOCATP=C9TL VOLCANO

Troy Allen called to report he is monitoring the Popocatp=E9tl Volcano video camera site near Mexico City on an almost daily basis. The volcano's observation camera is showing many UFOs often in a triangle formation as recently as January 8, 2002. Over a hundred Dark colored UFOs images have been seen in recent months. UFO s have had an interest in the volcano since its December 21, 1994, eruption, ending decades of slumber. UFOs that are small elliptical colored lights that change color from green, to blue, to pink, to purple. They are more or less stationary and a larger roundish or flattened white light moves from snapshot to snapshot. There are often more than one dark colored objects observed moving around the area. They will often move from the distance forward and then retreat. Due to the possibility of explosive eruptions, people are warned not to approach the volcano to closer than 12 kilometers from the crater. However, the road between Santiago Xalitzintla and San P! edro Nexapa, including Paso de Cort=E9s, is open for controlled circulation. Photos at: http://looknowings.homestead.com/camview.html and http://www.cenapred.unam.mx/mvolcan.html (enter Monitoreo volcanico, Tamano A) Thanks to Troy Allen

http://www.alienjoes.com.

UNITED KINGDOM UFO FILES RELEASED

A UFO cover-up has been revealed by Stephen Biscoe at the height of the Cold War. UFO fever was so rampant in the UK that

the Ministry of Defence set up a secret working party to try to establish if Earth really was under observation by visiting aliens. It involved experts from the Directorate of Scientific Intelligence and the Joint Technical Intelligence Committee, and eventually they produced a report. Then the MoD spent the next 49 years denying it ever existed. Yesterday, the Public Record Office (PRO) made the papers public, but only after their existence had been admitted to a local government Press officer working in South Yorkshire. Had it not been for Dr. David Clarke, who lives in Sheffield and works for Rotherham Council, it is unlikely that they would have come to light. Clarke combines his local government job with an academic career, which has made him one of the country's leading folklore experts. A researcher at the National Centre for English Cultural Tradi! tion at Sheffield University, he is the author of several books on a range of folkloric traditions from stone heads and ghosts to UFO sightings and Close Encounters. His latest book "Out of the Shadows," to be published in May by Piatkus, draws on the two years of research he has been carrying out for a post-doctoral study. In the course of it, he came across references in official government documents to the report of the secret working party set up on Churchill's orders in 1950 to investigate reports of UFO sightings. In 1980, the 30-year rule ended its term of confidentiality -- but the rule was ignored and it remained secret. Clarke says, in fact, that he was repeatedly told by the MoD that no such report existed; it even denied the existence of the working party. Yet the Sheffield researcher was still coming across references to both.

OXFORDSHIRE, ENGLAND -- On Thursday, December 27, 2001, Sarah H. reports, "I was driving away from Wytham village, on a two-lane country road "towards Botley Interchange, the road running parallel to Motorway A34 at 8:45 PM." "The UFO hovered west of the road, remaining in one position," Sarah reported, "The UFO was triangular in shape with one light at each point (corner). It was hovering above Withal Wood and was silent. It hovered for approximately four minutes, no higher than 200 feet above the trees. Its fuselage was dark." Sarah added, "I have no pictorial evidence" of the encounter, and she feels a bit "nervous about being considered a loony." Thanks to UFO ROUNDUP Volume 7, Number 1 January 1, 2002 Editor: Joseph Trainor http://ufoinfo.com

IPSWICH, ENGLAND -- Nick Richards of The Ipswich Star, Suffolk reports that, "An Ipswich household was treated to an extra special sight on Christmas Day when they saw what appeared to be an unidentified flying object. The family, who asked not to be named, saw the strange flashing object from their house in Valley Road, just 24 hours after Santa would have been in the middle of his Christmas deliveries. The mother of the family told the Star that the strange sight occurred just before the early hours of Boxing Day. "At about midnight my husband noticed a very bright light. He called me to look at it and I saw what seemed to be a large star. The strange thing was that our room was illuminated by the very strong light, which it emitted. "I would normally have likened it to moonlight, but there was no moon to be seen. My husband continued to watch it as I fell asleep. He called me a few minutes later to tell me that it was flashing and emitting a blue hue around its base. He a! lso saw two diagonal protrusions from either side towards the bottom." The object, which was oval in shape, was smaller than the moon but bigger than a star and was viewed from Valley Road towards the Portman Road area. The family said that they knew it wasn't an airplane, a helicopter or even Christmas lights. They said that if was a star it would have been there the following night, but it left the Ipswich skyline after performing its ten-minute light show. 12/29/01 The Ipswich Star Thanks to FarShores UFO News -www.100meqsfree4.com/farshores/index.htm

UFO SIGHTINGS DOUBLE IN MALAYSIA

Sightings of UFOs in Malaysia have doubled in the past year and one man claims he was abducted for eleven days after meeting a square-headed alien. The Centre for Malaysian UFO Studies says six sightings were reported last year as opposed to three in 2000. Ufologist Ahmad Jamaludin, from the centre, says three of the sightings were reported in Sabah, two in Kedah and the other in Penang. Of the abduction in February, he told The Star: "This could be the first reported UFO abduction in Malaysia. Although the eleven-day period was a little odd, as most UFO abduction victims usually go missing for two to three hours or up to five days only. "The fact that there were some UFO activities around Kota Kinabalu at that time could lend some credence to the claim." Ahmad, who has studied UFOs since 1978, says his research on the phenomenon shows there is a link between the UFO sightings and Earth's seismic activity. "Gravitational forces emitted by objects in space cause the Earth's f! ault lines to shake, causing earthquakes and, at the same time, act as a guide for UFOs to reach Earth," he said. Story filed: January 7, 2002, Thanks to <u>lornisl@juno.com</u>

ARE THESE UFOS OURS?

Has it ever dawned on anyone that some of the stuff flying around is ours? T.Townsend Brown duplicated one of these propulsion systems in the late 50s it was classified and government contractors have been working on it ever since. Brown was swept under the rug as far as recognition goes. Scientists in his corner have written papers about it. The rest feel they might sully their image. Its been kept under wraps for a long time. Its like the mentality that Egyptians didn't build the pyramids themselves because humans are stupid. Read what Janes publications says about the B2 if it hasn't been deleted by know. Thanks to Janoshek <u>zsazsal</u>@bellatlantic.net

NEW NASA SHUTTLE VIDEO OF UFOS IN SPACE

Jeff Challender has prepared a new tape of various UFOs that were caught on recent Shuttle video footage. Jeff has over an hour-long tape of UFOs shot in space. Jeff spends hundreds of hours watching the shuttle broadcasts from space and is now an expert on NASA missions and even those onboard the shuttle are unlikely to see what Jeff does. Using Jeff's directions you will be able to learn the difference between space junk, ice crystals and real UFOs. I feel confident we could go into a court of law and convince any jury that there are UFOs moving at high speed around the Earth. Send \$25 to: Jeff Challender 2768 Mendel Way - Sacramento, California 95833-2011. Jeff has had an operation on his back and is still in pain, we ask you to send your prayers.

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The MUFON Journal in February will be running a fascinating article on the evidence for the UFO Crash at Roswell in 1947 by Niel Morris and RPIT. Order your subscribtion now to get the article.

George A. Filer

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A mailing list for the study of UFO-related phenomena 'Its All Here In Black & White'

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Secrecy News -- 01/10/02

From: **Steven Aftergood** <<u>saftergood</u>@fas.org> Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 10:42:59 -0500 Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:05:39 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/10/02

SECRECY NEWS from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy Volume 2002, Issue No. 4 January 10, 2002

** NUCLEAR POSTURE REVIEW MAY NOT COMPLY WITH LAW ** BILL WOULD BAN SPACE-BASED MIND CONTROL WEAPONS

NUCLEAR POSTURE REVIEW MAY NOT COMPLY WITH LAW

Contrary to an explicit legal requirement, the Pentagon has still not produced an unclassified report on its Nuclear Posture Review (NPR), which defines the role of nuclear weapons in U.S. military strategy.

The Pentagon held a press briefing yesterday outlining the conclusions of the Review, and released a three-page Foreword from the otherwise classified report.

But, as noted by analyst David Isenberg and others, the FY 2001 Defense Authorization Act specifically directed that a report on the Review be submitted in December 2001 "in unclassified and classified forms as necessary." See the statutory language here:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/congress/2000/npr.html

"It's hard to have any kind of public discussion or debate about the issue until there's an unclassified version," Sen. Jeff Bingaman (D-NM) told the Albuquerque Journal last week. See "Nuke Weapons Policy Still Secret" by John Fleck from the January 5 Journal here:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/aj010502.html

The January 9 Pentagon press briefing was a welcome, if not quite satisfactory, occasion for government officials to be questioned about U.S. nuclear policy, a topic that remains largely shrouded in official secrecy. See the transcript of the briefing here:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/npr-briefing.html

In a briefing slide describing the Congressional mandate to conduct the Nuclear Posture Review, the Pentagon stated that a "written report" was required, but neglected to note that it was required in "unclassified form." See:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/020109-D-6570C-004.jpg

The unclassified Foreword to the classified NPR report is posted here:

http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2002/01/npr-foreword.html

Whether this Foreword, which merely presents "a summary of the highlights" of the report, satisfies the requirement for an

unclassified report will ultimately be for Congress to decide after it returns on January 23.

Secretary Rumsfeld said last week that he had requested preparation of a declassified version of the NPR report, but it remained unclear whether or when that would be accomplished.

BILL WOULD BAN SPACE-BASED MIND CONTROL WEAPONS

Rep. Dennis Kucinich (D-OH) introduced a bill in the House of Representatives late last year that would ban weapons in space. But while there have been many similar legislative initiatives in the past, Rep. Kucinich's bill is distinguished by its unusually expansive definition of "weapons."

Among the weapons that it would proscribe the new measure includes "psychotronic" devices that are "directed at individual persons or targeted populations for the purpose of ... mood management, or mind control."

No explanation for this peculiar proposal was immediately available. But the text of "The Space Preservation Act of 2001" (H.R. 2977), introduced on October 2, may be found here:

http://www.fas.org/sqp/congress/2001/hr2977.html

The Kucinich bill was hailed by Citizens Against Human Rights Abuse, one of a number of organizations of people who say they are victims of government experimentation involving electromagnetic and other psychotronic weapons. See their web site here:

http://www.dcn.davis.ca.us/~welsh/

The bill has been referred to three House Committees.

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From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 14:35:51 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:07:06 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Velez

>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark@frontiernet.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Clark
>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 09:03:44 -0600

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Info On UFO Reseacher?

From: **A. J. Gevaerd <<u>gevaerd</u>@ufo.com.br>** Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 16:45:48 -0200 Fwd Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:09:03 -0500 Subject: Info On UFO Reseacher?

Dear List Members:

I wonder if anyone on UFO UpDates could help me to find information about Marshall Lee, who I believe is an American UFO researcher, lecturer and author. Apparently, he just published a book about the Varginha Case in the US. Does anybody here know him and/or have any reference about his work? Any e-mail address or website?

Thanks!

A. J.

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
Date: 10 Jan 2002 13:59:19 -0800
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:30:35 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Cameron

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I wrote to Spielberg in January 1988 to confirm the story, but the letter was cut off by Spielberg's publicity coordinator Kris Kelley who stated "unfortunately, Mr. Spielberg is currently away working on his next project and is unable to personally answer your question." Another researcher, Linda Howe who worked as a documentary film producer and author, also tried to interview Spielberg about his Reagan encounter without success.

Florida Today reporter Billy Cox also made an attempt to confirm the Spielberg story. He phoned Spielberg and ended up talking with Spielberg publicist Marvin Levy. Levy stated that "Mr. Spielberg does not wish to discuss any private conversation held with the President." Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Cameron

The story was told to Jamie Shandera while with Spielberg in Japan. I am sure Stanton Friedman would have some insight into this story. Billy Cox, as I recall, also talked to Shandera.

Grant Cameron

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 14:36:35 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:34:08 -0500 Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Tonnies

>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 14:35:51 -0500
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic</u>@verizon.net>
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I'm very doubtful about this Presidential anecdote. But the story I've always heard was that somehow Spielberg relayed the message to Jaime Shandera, and that Shandera told Stan Friedman.

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Young

From: Kenny Young <ufo@fuse.net>
Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 18:22:48 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:38:09 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Young

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John;

Well, I gave it a whirl last year by sending the following letter off. But as you can imagine, Mr. Spielberg is not an easy man to just pick up a phone and call. By the way, there was absolutely no response to the letter, hmpf!

-- KY

Mr. Andy Spahn Senior Executive, DreamWorks SKG 100 Universal Plaza Building 10 Universal City, CA 91608

December 26,2000

Dear Mr. Spahn,

My name is Kenny Young and I have been investigating Unidentified Flying Objects reports and claims for several years. I am trying to confirm or deny a strange account and I sincerely hope you could assist.

It has often been repeated that Steven Spielberg, when attending a screening of the movie E.T. with President Reagan at the Whitehouse in the early 80s, had been told something of interest. President Reagan reportedly took Mr. Spielberg aside and told him something like this: "There are only a few people in this room who really know the truth about UFOs."

This story has been widely circulated for years has taken a few different forms, and was even afforded mention in the book 'Alien Contact: Top Secret UFO Files Revealed' by Timothy Good.

What I seek to do is to provide some sort of comment from Steven Spielberg, if he would be so kind, to provide clarification on this report. I am very curious to learn if it is true and what President Reagan might have said to him.

I would appreciate your help Mr. Spahn, if you could kindly

Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Young

bring this message to the attention of Mr. Spielberg. It is my hope that a greater understanding of this issue result from this effort. We all stand to gain by the accurate clarification of this matter by Mr. Spielberg.

Take care and have a Happy New Year. Kenny Young

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman</u>@psln.com> Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800 Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:44:48 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

Interview with Former Roswell Weatherman Irving Newton:

http://www.abduct.com/features/f28.htm

Had a nice long fonecon [phone conversation] this afternoon with Irving Newton, 78, of San Antonio, TX, the Ramey weatherman and Roswell debris "identifier." He seemed pleased to hear from me (we never had talked before) and was quite open and eager to talk.

He has quite a collection of Roswell memorabilia and offered to "lay it all out" if I will come to San Antonio to visit with him. He has several copies -- but no negatives or originals -of the photo of him in General Ramey's office. He has no idea who took the photo. He confirmed most of the stories told about him in the Roswell accounts, with a few notable exceptions:

He was the only weatherman on duty in air operations on the late afternoon of July 8, 1947. They ran a 24 hour shop and a weatherman was supposed to be in air operations at all times.

He was summoned to Ramey's office first by Col. Dubose and then personally by Gen. Ramey. He supports accounts of harsh language from Ramey ordering him to Ramey's office. He thinks he arrived at Ramey's office -- just a few blocks from air operations -between 4:30 and 5 p.m. (That must have been only a short time after I had finished taking my fotos and departed Ramey's office.)

Newton was met and briefed by COL. Dubose who told him upon his arrival at Ramey's office that the General was uncertain whether this was a flying saucer and maybe it was a weather device, and he wanted Newton to take a look. Newton said he took one look at the debris spread out on the carpet and said "If that is not a Rawin device I will eat it!"

Newton is _dead_certain_ that what was on the floor in Ramey's office is what Marcel brought from Roswell.

He says he has said this over and over for years to interviewers, and especially Randle and Friedman have simply ignored his statements.

Newton seems to remember a few people in the office "taking notes". He assumed them to be reporters. He was not too clear on that point. It was not an especially momentous event for him. He said that Major Marcel was there and followed him around the office trying to get him to look at "some of the sticks" he was holding and to see the strange symbols on them that Marcel thought were "not of this world." He does recall seeing strange random figures on some of these sticks.

This all follows closely several accounts that I have read about Newton and his visit to Ramey's office. But there are mysteries here: why was Marcel's hat and tie gone from the radiator in the Newton foto? Would the major have gotten into uniform to talk with a warrant officer when he didn't for a media photographer? And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in the Ramey/Dubose photos?

In the days following, Newton received many phone calls and letters from other AAF weathermen who had a variety of comments for him, but not from the press at that time.

At a later time he was interviewed by Life Magazine and other magazines and a TV company interviewed him on camera in his home, etc.

He and his wife were flown to Roswell in July 1996 for him to make a speech to tell his story. It was in an auditorium and there was an admission charged. He described his experiences of July 8, 1947, and told the audience that the debris in Ramey's office was the "real stuff" that Marcel had brought from Roswell, but that several of the reporters simply ignored his statements in this regard. The inquiries have been few and far between recently and he was not invited to attend the last two Roswell anniversary bashes.

Conclusion:There are three people known to be living who actually saw and touched the Roswell debris: Jesse Marcel, Jr., Irving Newton and J. Bond Johnson. Marcel recalls his father telling him that at least _part_ of the debris in Ramey's office was the "real stuff." Newton is _dead_certain_ that the debris on the floor of Ramey's office was the "real stuff" that Marcel brought from Roswell. Johnson, after carefully and at length interviewing Kevin Randle, Stan Friedman, Bill Moore, Jamie Shandera, Philip Klass and other 'Roswell experts', has been unable to unearth _any_ evidence whatsoever to support _any_ "switch" of the "real stuff." The "balloon switch" story must have been pure fabrication of some of the Roswell writers!

--James Bond Johnson, Ph.D. Phone-con With Irving Newton 8/15/98 Date: 98-08-15 20:24:22 EDT

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 19:47:01 -0400
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:47:33 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Friedman

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Jaime Shandera told me the story about Reagan many years ago and supposedly got it straight from Spielberg whom he knew.

Stan Friedman

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Cydonian Imperative: 01-10-02 New Evidence Of

From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 20:08:32 -0800 (PST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:49:06 -0500
Subject: Cydonian Imperative: 01-10-02 New Evidence Of

The Cydonian Imperative 1-10-02

June, 2001 Face Prediction Verified by Mac Tonnies

http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html

In June, I wrote the following concerning the symmetry of the Face on $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Mars}}\xspace$

"I personally suspect that the 'harelip' was intended to mark the Face's centerline as well as contribute to the eastern half's feline anatomical impression. But in the new image, the 'harelip' appears too far west when compared to Mark Carlotto's digital analysis of the non-orthorectified 1998 image. Based on this apparent discrepancy, I predict that when and if NASA deigns fit for the tax-paying public to examine the 'missing' ancillary data, we will find that Carlotto was right all along."

The "harelip" feature referred to is the triangular features in the center of the Face's "mouth." Sure enough, Carlotto's new orthorectified vesion of the Face (see New Frontiers in Science) shows that the geometric "harelip" lies at the exact center of the Face formation, and not closer to the western side, as it appears in previously available nonorthorectified images.

[image]

Mark Carlotto's new orthorectification is notably wider than the better-known version published by NASA.

I find it of interest that my prediction wasn't based on technical expertise or image interpretation, but on the aesthetic significance posed by the harelip feature. The "harelip," now seen in its proper position, fulfills an a priori prediction and lends still further support to the hypothesis that the Face is artificial in origin.

[image]

The controversial "nostril."

Even stranger, the new orthorectified image moves the "nostril" feature into the exact center of the Face, where it appears to align with similar circular features along the Face's vertical axis. While this evidence of further bisymmetry is interesting, it also tends to detract from the interpretation that the depression in question was built to resemble a literal humanoid nostril. If not part of a "nose," could the "nostril" feature represent ornamentation, meteor impact, or unknown structural function? (I suppose one could argue that the being depicted by the Martian Face had only one nostril in the center of its face, but this scenario is post priori and exceptionally porous.)

More independent analysis is forthcoming.

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Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee

Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 23:22:13 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:53:14 -0500
Subject: Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines - Maccabee

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Wed, 9 Jan 2002 10:36:06 EST
>Subject: Re: Raelians, The Pope & Aborigines
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

<snip>

>When it comes to railing Rael's, the church is likely not >interested. Neither am I. In fact, anything which resembles a >cult, even just resembles one, is anathema. There is nothing >worse than extremism, even if it is extremeism in the name of >God. Who, if I were He, would likely wind up smashed every night >and every day. Who the hell could take us after all the work >done to make us? No one in his right mind.

>Extremism takes many turns in life. But the worst type is the >extremist who believes that he is right in spite of everything; >all evidence, all argument and all logic. For the extremist is >not logical, the extremist is emotional. No thought, no sense, >common or otherwise. How a man or woman can beat himself into >that kind of frenzy is beyond my ken. Yet it is here among us. >On this list. In our lives. And in our nightmares. "Let freedom >ring" is a phrase many Americans use. The world should use >something similar. "Let reason ring."

The second most dangerous person in the world is the person who _knows_ he is right. (How does he know? Often because he has been "told" what is right by that book over there, or by some guy(s) up there.)

The _most_ dangerous person in the world is the guy (or gal) who _knows_ he is right (absolutely, positively, and if you don't believe it I'll blow you away).

and

can gather about him/her a group of similar thinking people who believe (accept as absolutely true) what he says (or at least are having a good time doing whatever he tells them to do) and are willing to do whatever he says including enforcing whatever rules he may come up with (rule 1 for going to heaven is.... rule 2 for going to heaven is... etc. and you better obey these rules or I'll blow you away). These followers (marching morons?) go out among the masses to spread the good word by force, as with the Nazi SS or the Inquisition (you know, Torquemada at Toledo... hmmm, that would make a good movie, plenty of violence, religion and probably sex).

It's one thing to gain followers by presenting a point of view and letting the listener/seer make up his/her own mind as to whether or not to believe it and "follow."

Its quite another thing to gain followers by presenting a point of view and then making the listener/seer an 'offer he/she can't refuse' like 'join us or die'.

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Re: Translators Still Needed - Latest

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 14:18:26 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:55:12 -0500
Subject: Re: Translators Still Needed - Latest

Hello All,

Volunteers are _still_ needed to translate several short paragraphs into as many languages as possible. Results will be posted for use by international respondents.

I now have translations in six (6) languages covered and translator's names and organizations are next to the languages below. I thank them for their speedy response to my request and for their generous offer of their time and assistance.

I will continue to post the list to UFO UpDates until enough commitments to perform translations into the many different languages listed have been secured.

I know that we have Portuguese, Italian, Hebrew and Swedish members on this List. I would really appreciate hearing from you. The only thing holding us up at the moment is securing these translations. If you can dedicate a small amount of time to this project it would be greatly appreciated.

Translators, still needed, please, for the following:

Arabic [All] [All] Balkan Chinese [All] Danish Frits Westra -- Editor UFO-Niewsbrief/received Dutch Frits Westra -- Editor UFO-Niewsbrief/received Finnish Flemish Gilles Milot, Quebec Association of Ufology/not submitted yet French Alfred Lehmberg/received German Greek Korean Hebrew Hindi Italian Japanese Norwegian Portuguese Punjabi Boris Shurinov/received Russian Slavic [All] Luis Gonzales/not submitted yet Spanish Swedish Turkish Ukranian Vietnamese the major African tongues and any other not listed above. As you can see, we still have a long way to go. If you can help, please contact me, privately, via: john@virtuallystrange.net Volunteers are asked to keep the content of the translations private until formal, world-wide, public announcements are made.

Re: Translators Still Needed - Latest

I'm trying to get this posted in as timely a manner as possible. If we can muster enough help with the translations it will help to greatly expedite things.

Your assistance is appreciated.

Regards,

John Velez

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Secrecy News -- 01/11/02

From: Steven Aftergood <<u>saftergood</u>@fas.org> Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 14:54:29 -0500 Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 18:57:57 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/11/02

SECRECY NEWS from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy Volume 2002, Issue No. 5 January 11, 2002

- BUSH REBUFFS CONGRESS ON SAPS, DECLASSIFICATION CLASSIFIED LEAKS HAVE "DROPPED CONSIDERABLY" * *
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BUSH REBUFFS CONGRESS ON SAPS, DECLASSIFICATION

President Bush went out of his way to advise Congress that he holds predominant authority over the establishment of classified programs as well as the declassification of information when he signed two pieces of legislation on January 10.

The President took exception to a boilerplate provision in the Defense Appropriations Act which said that highly classified special access programs (SAPs) should not be initiated until 30 days after Congress is notified of their establishment. He brusquely rejected this restriction.

"The U.S. Supreme Court has stated that the President's authority to classify and control access to information bearing on national security flows from the Constitution and does not depend upon a legislative grant of authority," the President wrote.

"The executive branch shall construe [this provision] in a manner consistent with the constitutional authority of the President, " he wrote.

See the signing statement on the Defense Appropriations Act here:

http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2002/01/qwb011002b.html

In a separate action, the President singled out a measure in the Foreign Operations Act that calls for the expeditious declassification of information concerning the murders of American churchwomen and others in El Salvador and Guatemala.

The President said he will implement this provision "in a manner consistent with my constitutional and statutory responsibilities to protect various kinds of sensitive information."

See the signing statement on the Foreign Operations Act here:

http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2002/01/gwb011002.html

CLASSIFIED LEAKS HAVE "DROPPED CONSIDERABLY"

In recent months, "The leaking of classified information ... has dropped considerably, " said Assistant Secretary of Defense Victoria Clarke.

"That is because Secretary Rumsfeld has made it a personal

campaign that he would reduce the amount of leaking of classified information by people in government and he would reduce the amount of inappropriate backgrounding of classified information," she said.

This is a significant observation because it means that new laws are not needed to combat leaks of classified information and that such leaks can be effectively controlled without them.

Ms. Clarke spoke at a Brookings Institution forum on Press Coverage and the War on Terrorism on January 9. Her remarks are excerpted here:

http://www.fas.org/sqp/news/2002/01/press.html

Despite the various steps the Pentagon has taken to curtail unofficial public access to both classified and unclassified information, such measures can never be completely successful.

Here, for example, is a December 9 Pentagon "Program Budget Decision" obtained by Secrecy News that "addresses the development and procurement of missile defense systems" and that is marked "For Official Use Only" (1.2 MB PDF file):

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/pbd224.pdf

Though unclassified, the document warns fiercely on every page that "unauthorized release of this program budget decision is prohibited."

NUREMBERG DOCUMENTS ONLINE

The Rutgers Journal of Law and Religion has announced the online publication of documents from the Nuremberg Tribunal in which Nazi officials were tried following World War II.

The documents come from the archive of General William J. Donovan, who served, among other things, as special assistant to the U.S. chief of counsel during the International Military Tribunal at Nuremberg.

See The Nuremberg Project of the Rutgers Journal of Law and Religion here:

http://camlaw.rutgers.edu/publications/law-religion/nuremberg.htm

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 16:33:54 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 19:01:39 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Maccabee

>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark@frontiernet.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Clark
>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 09:03:44 -0600

>>Date: 9 Jan 2002 17:16:18 -0800
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy</u>@altavista.com>
>>Subject: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>>Consider, for example the following historical case. On June 27, >>1982, President Ronald Reagan invited 36 people to take part in a >>screening of the movie "ET: The Extraterrestrial." The Steven >>Spielberg movie dealt with a young extraterrestrial who becomes >>stranded on earth and struggles to return, while U.S. government >>agents try to capture him. Spielberg himself was on of the >>people at the private White House screening.

>>Spielberg sat right beside President Reagan during the showing.
>>Following the screening, the President leaned over, clapped
>>Spielberg on the shoulder, and quietly commented something to
>>the effect, "You know, there aren't six people in this room who
>>know how true this really is." Unfortunately, the sudden press
>>of people approaching Spielberg and the President prevented
>>Spielberg from pursuing the strange comment made by Reagan.>

>I would bet the ranch, or at least my acre or two of it, that >this is an urban legend. It certainly looks, sounds, and smells >like one.

>Jerry Clark

The core of the above is what I was told by Jamie Shandara away back in the early 1980's (don't recall the year). Shandara said he had been working for Spielberg way back then and heard Spielberg tell the story of the White House screening of ET.

It was after hearing this that the Fund for UFO Research made an approach to Spielberg through Shandara. The word we got back from Spielberg through Shandara was that he wouldn't provide us funding because "he couldn't get into anything controverisial" or words to that effect.

So, at a time when he was raking in about \$3 mill per day from ET he couldn't spare us a dime!

Note: This was pre-MJ12.

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Whispers: Oberg & Greer Debate

From: Grant Cameron <sqquishy@altavista.com>
Date: 11 Jan 2002 17:13:51 -0800
Fwd Date: Fri, 11 Jan 2002 19:13:50 -0500
Subject: Whispers: Oberg & Greer Debate

On the Whispers UFO board James Oberg has just posted:

"Out There" with Dan Aykroyd

Just finished taping a segment with Dan Aykroyd and his studio guest Steven Greer, for the Sci Fi channel series 'Out There', to air later in the spring. Look forward to fireworks.

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See:

http://junjun.com/cgi-bin/boards/whispers/config.pl?read=25809

In Response To: "Out There" with Dan Aykroyd (jimo), I posted:

So, that's where you were. I was about to post that the intellectual terrorist was now "on the run."

It appears that you have chickened out on my question. Just in case you misplaced it, the question is:

"Getting back to Marciagate, which you have so skillfully avoided. When did you talk to Marcia Smith about Danny Sheehan's story that Marcia Smith's claimed President Carter was denied access to UFOs by then DCI George Bush. Also, what did she say about gaining access to classified Blue Book files for Daniel Sheehan to review? What did Marcia Smith tell you?"

You start answering that question, and we will have the beginning of a fireworks display worth watching.

Grant Cameron

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For The Record - FIDO UFO: Astronauts & UFOs

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Subject: For The Record - FIDO UFO: Astronauts & UFOs

Date: 02-05-94 (08:51) Number: 40882 of 41078 (Refer# NONE) To: ALL From: DON ALLEN Subj: Apollo Astronauts and UFO

- * Forwarded from "INFO.PARANET"
- * Originally by John Stepkowski
- * Originally to All
- * Originally dated 3 Feb 1994, 20:03

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Newsgroups: alt.alien.visitors,alt.paranet.ufo,alt.paranet.skeptic

With the recent discussion of claims that Apollo astronauts saw "UFOs" on the moon, I thought the following posts might be of interest....

"Moonfive.txt"

To commemorate the 22nd anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing on July 20, 1969, The "Oprah Winfrey" show invited five Apollo astronauts into an open-studio forum to talk about their moon experiences, both during the mission and afterwards.

What they had to say about their missions, UFOs and extraterrestrials in general is worth repeating, particularly in light of the many "stories" attributed to the Apollo astronauts.

The astronauts taking part were:

Edwin 'Buzz' Aldrin: Apollo 11 mission. Touchdown: Sea of Tranquility, July 20, 1969. The second man on the moon.

Alan 'Al' Bean: Apollo 12. Touchdown: Ocean of Storms, November 19, 1969.

Edgar 'Ed' Mitchell: Apollo 14. Touchdown: Fra Mauro, February 5, 1971.

James 'Jim' Irwin: Apollo 15. Touchdown: Hadley Rille, July 30, 1971.

Charles Duke: Apollo 16. Touchdown: Descartes Highlands, April 21, 1972.

OPRAH:

Ed, did going to the moon increase your feelings about psychic phenomena? MITCHELL: Mmmm, no, not really. OPRAH: No, you always believed it... MITCHELL: Put it into different terms. Those are old, old words, by the way. Let's use the word "intuition..." OPRAH: Okay. MITCHELL .. And how does information flow. And yeah, I became very interested in that at that point. OPRAH: Yeah. I'm an intuitive-based person. I do everything based on intuition. Do you too? MITCHELL: No. I'm a more linear thinker, I've had to develop the intuition... OPRAH: Not me, I don't go for the linear too much... MITCHELL: (laughs) ... It's to learn how to get the balance, to get both of them; but the point of the investigations of the things I've been interested in; we know how our five senses work, but you're an intuitive person, most everybody's intuitive to a greater or lesser extent. Where does that information come from? Where does intuitive information come from? OPRAH: Uh-huh. Where do you think it comes from? MITCHELL: Well, we're starting to understand some "models" for it. Jung called it the "collective unconscious", there's information out here. It's kind of like a field and we just kind of tune into it and there it is. At least that is what the modern thinking is. OPRAH: When you were "out there", did you sense that there were other "beings" -- not necessarily human -- also "out there"? James...? IRWIN: I never sensed anything out at the moon or even beyond the moon. I don't know (why) I get that guestion a lot, because they think now we're experts on extra-terrestrial life, but I say I don't think there's extra-terrestrial life anywhere. I think the Earth is the only place where there's

life.

OPRAH: You still think that?

IRWIN:

I still believe that.

OPRAH:

You all think that?

MITCHELL:

No, I disagree completely.

OPRAH:

You don't think that, Ed?

MITCHELL:

No, I think the universe is so magnificent and so huge, and, uh, there is an intelligence base in the universe. And I can't conceive of this being the only planet in the universe with intelligent life...

OPRAH:

Intelligent life...

MITCHELL:

... I think that there's intelligent life throughout the universe, we just haven't discovered it yet.

OPRAH:

My intuition tells me that too, Ed. Buzz, what do you say?

ALDRIN:

Ed may feel a little bit more certain about that. I'm not sure what's going to happen. It certainly looks as though the odds are that there are a lot more opportunities out there than we thought before, and I'd be very surprised -- and it may even happen in our life time -- that we may find out some evidence of intelligence and it will come because of a furthering of the space program.

OPRAH:

All right. Alan...

BEAN:

Well I think there's probably life out there. But someone said, or computed, that the number of bodies in the universe are about as dense as two chipmunks in all of North America. And so for us to go and find -- let's say we're one of the chipmunks and we're trying to find one of the others in all of North America -- it's going to be hard to do.

ALDRIN:

Tough job...

BEAN:

So, I believe they're out there too, but we're not going to find them any time soon, and we may never find them, because of just the fact that they're so far, far apart. If we look at all the stars out there, there's probably planets around them, but which one do we go to? And if we go to that one, even the nearest one takes four and a half years, come back in nine...

ALDRIN:

At the speed of light...

BEAN:

That's right. Then go to the next one, takes another fifty years, out and back...

OPRAH:

Yeah, I'm not THAT interested...

BEAN:

So it's going to be a tough job...

OPRAH:

...I've got things to do here.

BEAN:

... It'd be better if they came here.

ALDRIN:

Yeah, it'd be better if they came here.

OPRAH:

That's how I feel about it. Charles?

DUKE:

I didn't sense any life out in space, personally.

OPRAH:

Never saw anybody ..?

DUKE:

Never saw anybody, no UFOs, nothing like that. But I agree with Jim. I think that we are -- human life -- is unique in the universe, and I think that's here on Earth. I believe in spiritual life. The scripture does talk about Heaven and Hell and spiritual life, life after death, but it doesn't refer to anything out in space. So I agree with Jim.

[At this point, questions were taken from the audience. A nervous young man asked the following question:-]

MAN:

Um yes. Do you feel that the Government hides anything from us? For example, you see all these stories about people that say they've been abducted and raped -- women that've been raped -- and they say that it's a real factual story and that tons of people have seen it...

OPRAH:

By ETs? What paper was this is in?

MAN:

Did you see that show (where) they said the lights were coming down and the police were out watching...? Do you think that the Government hides any of that?

DUKE:

No, I don't. Not in NASA. We were completely open. We couldn't even have a private conversation without it being blasted out to the world. I remember John (Young) and I were talking and we had a problem with, uh, our microphone stuck open and he was cussing and it went out to everybody. No bleeps!

OPRAH:

Ed, what do you say, you're shaking your head?

MITCHELL:

Well, I agree with what Charlie is saying about the NASA program -- there was nothing at all hidden in that -- but I do believe that there's a lot more known about, uh, extra-terrestrial investigation than is available to the public right now; has been for a long time.

OPRAH:

And why do you think it's kept from the public?

MITCHELL:

Oh well, that's a long, long story. It goes back to World War II when all of that happened, and highly classified stuff.

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ALDRIN:

It makes for great book-selling...

MITCHELL:

Yeah...

IRWIN:

And newspapers, too.

Don

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* Origin: It's only a hobby..it's only a hobby..it's only... (1:3623/18)

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NASA & Gravity-Powered Spaceships

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GOING UP

Can we wave goodbye to rockets and the internal combustion engine? Is it time to say hello to energy- saving, gravity-powered spaceships, aeroplanes, cars, elevators - and a whole new branch of theoretical physics? Or has NASA been led on a wild goose chase costing \$600,000?

In 1992 Evgeny Podkletnov published a paper describing how he had stumbled upon a "gravity shielding" effect while running a routine test on one of his superconductors.

Two years ago NASA paid Superconductive Components of Columbus, Ohio to build a copy of Podkletnov's 'gravity shielding' device, and later this month the machine will arrive at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama. If the experiment fails, that will be the end of the matter. But if it succeeds, it could change our way of interacting with a fundamental force of nature. And that, New Scientist discovers, would change everything.

Read the full feature in this week's print edition

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Kinross Incident?

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca</u>> Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 13:56:15 -0400 Fwd Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 13:18:39 -0500 Subject: Kinross Incident?

Hi Errol,

I wonder if you would post this question to the list?

Would/could a cloud/bubble of methane gas reflect radar emmissions back to the receiver? I ask for this reason. On more than a few occassions aircraft have gone missing over the great lakes. One of the more famous incidents is of course the USAF F-89C out of Kinross AFB on Nov. 23,1953. The F-89C was observed to merge with an unidentified target by Ground Control Intercept [GCI] radar.

If, as has been suggested, that hydrate gases-released during sub-sea geological subsidences- might be the reason for some aircraft and ship disappearances in the "Bermuda Triangle", perhaps the same has occurred over Lake Michigan. If an aircraft could be seen merging with the gas bubble, both would likely disappear in the inevitable explosion. Surely hot jet exhaust gases and methane would not tolerate one another. It would take a second or two before the gas choked off the air being sucked through the turbine mixing it in the hot combustion chamber. I don't think there would even be time for the compressor to begin to stall before the methane ignited.

At the very least [and depending on the breadth of the bubble] the F-89C would lose flight control and wing lift effectiveness in the less dense gas invironment until it either tore through the bubble or tumbled out of control out of the bottom.

Perhaps though there was no bottom as/if the gas bubbled up out of the lake. The GCI team had directed the jet from 25 grand down to 7,000 feet. Since the GCI radar seems to suggest to researchers that either the F-89C was drawn in by the "bogie", somehow collided with it or flew behind or between the CGI radar and the bogie, and seemed to merge with it, then if indeed this gas was visible to radar, it likely would not have been to the pilot of the F-89C. I can't confirm that there was radar in the F-89C [believe that came about in the D model]. The nose cone had cannon in it.

Any takers?

Thanks,

Don Ledger

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Hi Alfred,

Dr. Richard Haines retired from NASA-Ames as chief research scientist. His NARCAP reflects his ongoing interest in the phenomenon. I suspect that Aldrin's and other kneejerk response to the often asked UFO question is ingrained through constant reminders by NASA not to discuss it. Besides, ya can't be a macho 'Right Stuff' pilot with NASA and believe all that UFO stuff-unless you are Gordon Cooper.

Don Ledger

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>Subject: Whispers: Oberg & Greer Debate

>On the Whispers UFO board James Oberg has just posted:

>'Out There' with Dan Aykroyd

>Just finished taping a segment with Dan Aykroyd and his studio >guest Steven Greer, for the Sci Fi channel series 'Out There', >to air later in the spring. Look forward to fireworks.

I was just informed today that the Akroyd show has been "delayed". So we will have to wait for the "fireworks."

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Goldstein

From: Josh Goldstein <clearlight@t-online.de>
Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 21:28:22 +0100
Fwd Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 15:51:09 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Goldstein

>Date: 10 Jan 2002 13:59:19 -0800
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u>
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 14:35:51 -0500
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic</u>@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>>>From: Jerome Clark <<u>ikclark@frontiernet.net></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Clark
>>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 09:03:44 -0600

>>>Date: 9 Jan 2002 17:16:18 -0800
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u>
>>>Subject: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>>>Consider, for example the following historical case. On June 27, >>>1982, President Ronald Reagan invited 36 people to take part in a >>>screening of the movie "ET: The Extraterrestrial." The Steven >>>Spielberg movie dealt with a young extraterrestrial who becomes >>>stranded on earth and struggles to return, while U.S. government >>>agents try to capture him. Spielberg himself was on of the >>>people at the private White House screening.

>>>Spielberg sat right beside President Reagan during the showing. >>>Following the screening, the President leaned over, clapped >>>Spielberg on the shoulder, and quietly commented something to >>>the effect, "You know, there aren't six people in this room who >>>know how true this really is." Unfortunately, the sudden press >>>of people approaching Spielberg and the President prevented >>>Spielberg from pursuing the strange comment made by Reagan.

>>>I would bet the ranch, or at least my acre or two of it, that >>>this is an urban legend. It certainly looks, sounds, and smells >>>like one.

>>Hi Jerry, All,

>>Has anyone ever actually asked Spielberg to confirm this story? >>I spent twenty minutes trying to track down an e-mail address >>for either Spielberg's offices or Dreamworks, I drew a blank on >>both. If anyone has a contact address we could simply put the >>question to him and then see if he chooses to respond.

>>After so many years, you'd think 'someone' would have tried to >>confirm it by now. Does anybody know ?

>I wrote to Spielberg in January 1988 to confirm the story, but >the letter was cut off by Spielberg's publicity coordinator Kris >Kelley who stated "unfortunately, Mr. Spielberg is currently >away working on his next project and is unable to personally >answer your question." Another researcher, Linda Howe who worked >as a documentary film producer and author, also tried to >interview Spielberg about his Reagan encounter without success. >Florida Today reporter Billy Cox also made an attempt to confirm
>the Spielberg story. He phoned Spielberg and ended up talking
>with Spielberg publicist Marvin Levy. Levy stated that "Mr.
>Spielberg does not wish to discuss any private conversation held
>with the President."

>The story was told to Jamie Shandera while with Spielberg in >Japan. I am sure Stanton Friedman would have some insight into >this story. Billy Cox, as I recall, also talked to Shandera.

Hi Grant,

To me, if this story started with Jamie Shandera I would consider him a dubious source. After Bill Moore's work with AFOSI, the MJ-12 documents, and Jamie Shandera being Moore's sidekick, I would listen to anything either of them says with a large grain of salt regarding credibility. Unless truth comes from Spielberg, it is nothing more than another UFO story bouncing from loose lips.

Josh

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Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

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>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800

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Ed, List, All -

In my conversations and correspondence with Irving Newton, I have always found him cooperative, cordial and friendly. He is eager to talk about his involvement in the Roswell case.

>He has quite a collection of Roswell memorabilia and offered to >"lay it all out" if I will come to San Antonio to visit with >him. He has several copies -- but no negatives or originals -->of the photo of him in General Ramey's office. He has no idea >who took the photo. He confirmed most of the stories told about >him in the Roswell accounts, with a few notable exceptions:

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I think this is the first time that he identified the colonel specifically. When I spoke with him, he just suggested that he was met by a colonel who told him that they had some debris from Roswell that most thought was a flying saucer but that the general thought was a weather balloon. He, the general, wanted Irving to identify it. (Moore and Berlitz suggested that Ramey, though the colonel, was telling Newton to identify whatever he saw as a weather balloon but I think the colonel was just giving Newton the facts of the situation and expected him to identify the material, or rather, confirm, Ramey's analysis. I don't think he was being ordered to identify it as anything specific. He was supposed to look at it and then tell the general what he thought it was.)

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The point is that he would not know, for certain, that it is what Marcel brought from Roswell because he wasn't there when the material arrived. This point, however, is important to Dr. Johnson who makes the claim that some of the real debris was in among the bits of the weather balloon debris.

>He says he has said this over and over for years to >interviewers, and especially Randle and Friedman have simply >ignored his statements.

This is blatant "Bondism". I have accurately reported exactly what Newton told me and I have the tapes to back it up. I have letters in which I have asked him for clarification of his report and I have reported on that as well. There is nowhere that I have ignored his statements, Dr. Johnson's allegation to the contrary.

>Newton seems to remember a few people in the office "taking >notes". He assumed them to be reporters. He was not too clear on >that point. It was not an especially momentous event for him. He >said that Major Marcel was there and followed him around the >office trying to get him to look at "some of the sticks" he was >holding and to see the strange symbols on them that Marcel >thought were "not of this world." He does recall seeing strange >random figures on some of these sticks.

Newton told me, and I believe it to be an important point, he did not know Marcel and was introduced to none of the men in the room he did not know. In other words, Newton has assumed that the man asking the questions was Major Marcel, but Marcel has said that he was ordered by Ramey not to open his mouth. Therefore, Marcel was not the major asking the questions and that officer was more than likely Major Charles A. Cashon, Ramey's public affairs officer. (Newton didn't know him either.)

And interestingly, Dr. Johnson has claimed that he was the only reporter to go to Ramey's office and speak with him, newspaper reports and other evidence to the contrary. Colonel DuBose (later brigadier general) said that there were four or five reporters in the room asking questions. Since DuBose would have known the officers present, all of whom would have been in uniform and thereby identifying themselves as officers, those DuBose thought were reporters were in civilian clothes and unknown to him. Given the circumstances, it's clear that these men were reporters, some of whom worked for radio stations. Dr. Johnson has confirmed for us that other reporters did, in fact, interview General Ramey, contrary to what Dr. Johnson now claims.

Finally we have this last little bit of invention in an attempt to confirm that some "real" debris was in the room. In no other interviews had Newton ever suggested he remembered strange figures on the balloon.

>This all follows closely several accounts that I have read about >Newton and his visit to Ramey's office. But there are mysteries >here: why was Marcel's hat and tie gone from the radiator in the >Newton foto?

We don't know that these items were Marcel's. It is more likely that these were Ramey's and removed for no nefarious purpose other than to remove some clutter from the office.

>Would the major have gotten into uniform to talk >with a warrant officer when he didn't for a media photographer?

Maybe Marcel didn't care. Maybe he didn't expect to meet with a newspaper photographer. Maybe he didn't have a tie and didn't put it on at all, so these assumptions by Dr. Johnson are invalid.

This is not to mention that I find it difficult to believe that a major would walk into a general's office and toss his hat and tie onto the radiator. If Marcel had removed his tie, he would have stuffed it into his pocket and since the hat is soft cloth and relatively small, he could have done the same thing with it. Military protocol suggests that Marcel keep his personal items grouped together and not tossed around the office.

>And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in >the Ramey/Dubose photos?

This is an obvious result of the different angles from which the photographs were shot and nothing more.

>In the days following, Newton received many phone calls and >letters from other AAF weathermen who had a variety of comments >for him, but not from the press at that time.

Of course not. The story was dead. The material identified as a weather balloon and radar target. There was no story. Those others probably saw Newton's picture in the newspaper and called to find out what was going on.

>At a later time he was interviewed by Life Magazine and other >magazines and a TV company interviewed him on camera in his >home, etc.

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In conclusion, this is the same sort of nonsense that Dr. Johnson has been spouting since he decided that he handled the "real debris." While Irving Newton is certain that the material on the floor is the stuff brought from Roswell, he has no way of knowing that, other than what he had been told. On the other side, General DuBose said that the debris had been switched, Jesse Marcel, Sr. told reporter Johnny Mann, after examining the pictures taken by Dr. Johnson, "This is not the stuff that I found in New Mexico," and Jesse Marcel, Jr., after examining the pictures said that the stuff bore a gross resemblance to the debris he had seen, but it was not the same stuff.

In other words, Jesse Marcel, Jr. never claimed his father told him that some of the stuff in the photographs was the real stuff. This is pure invention by Dr. Johnson and fits in his continuing manipulation of the data to support his various fantasies.

Dr. Johnson, at no point, interviewed me. I interviewed him. The story he told me originally is in direct convict with that he tells today. As just a single example, he told me that he was told, by General Ramey, that the material in his office was part of a weather balloon. Today, Dr. Johnson denies he said this, even after hearing himself, on tape, make just that statement. The only pure fabrications we have are claims by Dr. Johnson that begin with the fact he unwrapped the debris, to the story that he handed General Ramey the note in his hand (which, if true, certainly negates the work of those trying to understand it), that General Ramey didn't know what was in his office, and his continued attacks on those of us with whom he disagrees.

I'll make one other comment here. In the last year two members of Dr. Johnson's RPIT have asked for copies of my taped interviews and the correspondence I had with Dr. Johnson. They wanted, I suppose, to review the data, especially since Dr. Johnson and I seemed to be at such odds. They could listen to the tapes, hear Dr. Johnson make the statements that he claimed he never made, and they could read the letters that suggested I wanted to resolve the differences and the lack of candor on Dr. Johnson's part. I went to the time and expense of making the copies and paying for the postage. All that I asked was that they make some comment on the material, not necessarily in a public forum. Since then I have heard nothing from either of them. They have had the material for many months, have had adequate time to review the material and even to discuss it with Dr. Johnson, but they have done nothing about any of this. Had I been wrong or misrepresented the material, you can be sure that we would all have been hearing about it. The silence is deafening and I think supportive of my position. Dr. Johnson's first interviews, with me, reflect the reality of the situation on July 8, 1947, and his later tales smack of confabulation and wishful thinking.

KRandle

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I had a 2 hour phone conversations with Newton in April, 2000, just as he was turning 80.

>He has quite a collection of Roswell memorabilia and offered to >"lay it all out" if I will come to San Antonio to visit with >him. He has several copies - but no negatives or originals ->of the photo of him in General Ramey's office. He has no idea >who took the photo. He confirmed most of the stories told about >him in the Roswell accounts, with a few notable exceptions:

He also told me he had no idea who took his photo, but claimed he remembered having it taken. He couldn't recall if the photographer was military or civilian.

>He was the only weatherman on duty in air operations on >the late afternoon of July 8, 1947. They ran a 24 hour shop >and a weatherman was supposed to be in air operations at >all times.

OK. One interesting part of Newton's story was how he was ordered off his post by Gen. Ramey over Newton's vociferous protest, since they were directing regional air traffic in the joint weather/air operations officer and he was in charge. Ramey had been telling the press earlier that he thought it a weather balloon and would bring in a weather officer for positive identification. Thus it was obviously very important for Ramey to make the weather balloon ID official, to the point that he was willing to compromise air traffic control to do it.

>He was summoned to Ramey's office first by Col. Dubose and then >personally by Gen. Ramey.

When I asked him if he knew who called him the first time, he said "No idea." When I asked if it might have been Col. Dubose, he said, "Could have been." I don't recall any other interview where Newton said he knew who first called him on the telephone.

>He supports accounts of harsh language >from Ramey ordering him to Ramey's office. He thinks he arrived >at Ramey's office -- just a few blocks from air operations -->between 4:30 and 5 p.m. (That must have been only a short time >after I had finished taking my fotos and departed Ramey's >office.) He also recalled being 3 or 4 blocks from Ramey's office. He didn't have any idea when he arrived there, only that it was still light out and he recalled it being the afternoon. His wife in the background apparently interrupted him, and "hollered" at him "that it was in late afternoon or early evening." When I asked why she thought that, she apparently told him that he was on "shift work" at the time and worked until 11:00.

I spent a fair amount of time trying to get a fix on the time, but he really didn't remember. He certainly couldn't pin it down to between 4:30 and 5:00, which would have been way too early, since the press release didn't even hit the wires in Fort Worth until around 4:30 CDT.

I suggested between 6:00 and 6:30, and he said that could be right (but again, didn't know).

>Newton was met and briefed by COL. Dubose

Again, this is way more precise than what Newton told me and others. He remembers being briefed by some colonel or lt. colonel, not specifically Dubose. He didn't apparently know who Dubose was and has no specific memory of him being there. He remembers Gen. Ramey, and claims to have had a rather dubious encounter with Marcel. He told me he didn't remember specifically anybody else in Ramey's office.

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Total nonsense!

Newton's statement as to whether it was a Rawin device, or radar target, definitely counts for something, because he was a weatherman and he is commenting on something he witnessed. But Newton's opinion as to where it came from counts for nothing, since there is no way he could personally know.

It was _impossible_ for Newton to know whether this is what Marcel brought from Roswell, unless Newton personally accompanied Marcel from Roswell and watched as Marcel's package was opened.

>He says he has said this over and over for years to >interviewers, and especially Randle and Friedman have simply >ignored his statements.

Why shouldn't they? His statement is pure hearsay. It's his _opinion_, not personal knowledge.

And make no mistake about it - Newton is an almost fanatical Roswell skeptic. From his standpoint, all he ever saw was a radar target, and he _assumes_ that this _must_ be what was found. He refuses to entertain even the possibility that he and others could have been part of a shell game.

Here's a typical Newton statement: "Until someone can bring me pictures of them substituting this or anything else, I know damn well that they're just trying to cook up stories."

>Newton seems to remember a few people in the office "taking >notes". He assumed them to be reporters. He was not too clear on >that point. It was not an especially momentous event for him.

He told me he definitely remembered a few reporters being there, as he has told others. This looks like J.B. Johnson trying to spin the story again about him being the only reporter ever admitted to Ramey's office.

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Heck, when I asked him about the people he worked with on a daily basis, he told me he couldn't remember a single one. He couldn't remember any names or furnish any descriptions.

But he has this remarkable memory of a momentary encounter with Marcel following him around and making a fool of himself in front of Gen. Ramey and reporters no less.

In reality, the Associated Press news stories attributed a mundane weather balloon identification to Marcel. Ramey was praising Marcel a year later, calling his service to his command "outstanding", protesting his transfer, and expressing his opinion that Marcel was command officer material.

None of this squares with Newton's account. Either he made it up in later interviews because he loves to ridicule Marcel and the Roswell story, or it is embellished memory of probably having questions directed to him by another Major in the room, namely Major Charles Cashon, Ramey's public information officer. This is according to Col. Dubose, who said Cashon was there and handling some of the questioning.

Newton didn't know either man and could have been confused. When I put this scenario to him, he again refused to even entertain the possibility. He said Dubose was dead and he wasn't, and because he was still alive, that somehow made him more credible.

Furthermore, when I questioned Newton closely about his 1994 AF affidavit where he twice claimed that Marcel was trying to convince him of "alien writing" on the sticks, he backed off and said that Marcel never used those words. Maybe the word was more like "foreign".

People should keep in mind that everybody who has interviewed Newton comes away realizing that he considers Roswell to be complete bunk, and he loves to ridicule it ("It's all a bunch of horse pucky", he told me about a dozen times). He is also obviously very familiar with the debunking literature. This affects very much how he answers some of the questions.

When the topics were more neutral and he wasn't in his knee-jerk Roswell debunking mode, he was much more thoughtful and careful about his statements, and tried to make it clear he generally had only vague memories of events. An example of this was when he was trying to recall the time when Ramey called him into his office.

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Minor points at best. A junior officer throwing his clothes around the General's office - come on!

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This is news to me. He said he went back to work and forgot all about it, though sometimes co-workers would bring it up years later.

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Because they are worthless. He wasn't in Ramey's inner circle

and had no personal knowledge of where the debris came from. At best, all he can tell us is what he was told.

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There are certainly more than 3 people still living, e.g. Bill Brazel, Jr. and Loretta Porter to name but two.

>Marcel recalls his father
>telling him that at least _part_ of the debris in Ramey's office
>was the "real stuff."

Nobody but J. Bond Johnson has ever heard Marcel Jr. recalling his father saying that at least part of the debris was the "real stuff". In fact, Marcel Jr. has made statements that while there was some superficial resemblance to the real debris, this was not the real debris and that his father said the Fort Worth photos were staged.

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>on the floor of Ramey's office was the "real stuff" that Marcel
>brought from Roswell.

Again, this is absolutely no way for Newton to be "dead certain" that this was real stuff. He wasn't on the debris field or in Roswell. All he knows is what he was shown and told in Ramey's office, that's all.

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Just the usual nonsense from Johnson, trying to spin the story that he was the photographer who photographed the 'real' Roswell material.

Eyewitnesses who were there stating that the debris was swapped were Jesse Marcel and Col. Dubose. Recently, Wendy Connors did a videotaped interview with Walter Haut. According to Connors, Haut stated that Ramey had flown to Roswell earlier, and told senior staff that they were going to use a weather balloon as a cover story.

Contemporary news stories _document_ that Ramey was putting out a weather balloon and radar target story before the photos were taken and before Newton was called into Ramey's office. These stories include two the next morning from Johnson's own newspaper, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. There it was stated that both Ramey and Dubose thought it a weather balloon from the first moment and the weather officer (Newton) brought in later merely confirmed this.

Finally, Ramey's teletype message, held in his hand while Johnson was taking pictures, states that the next sent out press release was going to be about weather balloons. The fix was in before Newton ever arrived on the scene. He was brought in strictly for show at the very end.

David Rudiak

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>I suspect that Aldrin's and other kneejerk response >to the often asked UFO question is ingrained through constant >reminders by NASA not to discuss it. Besides, ya can't be a >macho 'Right Stuff' pilot with NASA and believe all that UFO >stuff-unless you are Gordon Cooper.

I rather suspect Aldrin's comments are sincere and accurate, and that he's telling the truth.

Of course, if you want to belief silly stuff, you have to assume that anyone providing contrary testimony is a liar.

Jim Oberg

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Gates

From: Robert Gates <RGates8254@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 23:29:17 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:44:45 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Gates

>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 18:22:48 -0500
>From: Kenny Young <<u>ufo@fuse.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 14:35:51 -0500
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>>Has anyone ever actually asked Spielberg to confirm this
>>story? I spent twenty minutes trying to track down an
>>e-mail address for either Spielberg's offices or
>>Dreamworks, I drew a blank on both. If anyone has a contact
>>address we could simply put the question to him and then see
>>if he chooses to respond.

>>After so many years, you'd think 'someone' would have tried
>>to confirm it by now. Does anybody know ?

>John;

>Well, I gave it a whirl last year by sending the following >letter off. But as you can imagine, Mr. Spielberg is not an easy >man to just pick up a phone and call. By the way, there was >absolutely no response to the letter, hmpf!

On one hand the story came from Jamie Shandara whom claimed that Spielberg whispered into his ear so to speak. On the other hand Spielberg has chosen not to _deny_ the story even when he has been given a number of chances over the years by letters and so forth. If it never happened, Spielberg could easily deny it and never break any private conversations he had with the President.

Apparently all we have is "Shandara said" and thats all.

Cheers,

Robert

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Rods!

From: Bruce Maccabee

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Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 00:23:59 -0500

Fwd Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:59:26 -0500

Subject: Rods!

OK, you've all heard, perhaps reluctantly, about 'Rods'. Perhaps you have also heard about base jumpers.

But have you heard of the confluence of these two decidedly different phenomena?

Can you swallow this?

Rods videotaped during base jumping. Try your hand at explanation at:

http://brumac.8k.com/BaseJumperRods/BaseJumperRods.html

And, if you'd like, try a jump yourself.

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Re: Kinross Incident? - McCoy

From: GT McCoy <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 02:21:49 -0800
Fwd Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 12:25:22 -0500
Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - McCoy

Hello, all Don.

>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 13:56:15 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Kinross Incident?

>Hi Errol,

>I wonder if you would post this question to the list?

>Would/could a cloud/bubble of methane gas reflect radar >emmissions back to the receiver? I ask for this reason. On more >than a few occassions aircraft have gone missing over the great >lakes. One of the more famous incidents is of course the USAF >F-89C out of Kinross AFB on Nov. 23,1953. The F-89C was observed >to merge with an unidentified target by Ground Control Intercept >[GCI] radar.

Well, radar is sensitive to certain weather conditions and the density difference of Methane and regular Atmospheric gases could make a radar (especially the early types) return, at least possible.

>If, as has been suggested, that hydrate gases-released during >sub-sea geological subsidences- might be the reason for some >aircraft and ship disappearances in the "Bermuda Triangle", >perhaps the same has occurred over Lake Michigan. If an aircraft >could be seen merging with the gas bubble, both would likely >disappear in the inevitable explosion. Surely hot jet exhaust >gases and methane would not tolerate one another. It would take >a second or two before the gas choked off the air being sucked >through the turbine mixing it in the hot combustion chamber. I >don't think there would even be time for the compressor to begin >to stall before the methane ignited.

>At the very least [and depending on the breadth of the bubble] >the F-89C would lose flight control and wing lift effectiveness >in the less dense gas invironment until it either tore through >the bubble or tumbled out of control out of the bottom.

The F-89, a big, heavy, fighter, had the glide ratio of a cook stove, and was not particularly easy to handle. Also the C model - A & B - had some structural problems with the wing and tail, corrected in the F-89D. It was during that time period that there were a whole bunch of F-89's lost to structural failures - at least 6 or more. The last F-89C's were out of service by the mid 50's. The much improved D, H and J's didn't leave service till the late 60's.

>Perhaps though there was no bottom as/if the gas bubbled up out >of the lake. The GCI team had directed the jet from 25 grand >down to 7,000 feet. Since the GCI radar seems to suggest to >researchers that either the F-89C was drawn in by the "bogie", >somehow collided with it or flew behind or between the CGI radar >and the bogie, and seemed to merge with it, then if indeed this >gas was visible to radar, it likely would not have been to the >pilot of the F-89C. I can't confirm that there was radar in the >F-89C [believe that came about in the D model]. The nose cone >had cannon in it.

The C had six 2.75 rockets underwing and six 20mm cannon also, all the F-89's had radar - the D's tip tank rocket pods were a step on the road to reducing yer average Tu-95 (Bear) to aluminum chaff. The H's added three GAR Falcons and the number of 2.75in rockets reduced to 21 per pod from 52 on the D. FYI - the J had the Falcons and two Genie nukes per plane - now we are talking, ah... aluminum molocules.

The Allison J-35 jet engine was troublesome, flameouts were common and too the shedding of parts. I saw an F-89 flameout and landing at Portland International (Oregon) back in the 60's. So if gas was encountered it is entirely possible that a whole lot of factors could have coincided with the F-89's demise.

GT McCoy

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Kinross Incident?

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It wouldn't have to be methane. I saw a documentary on one of the UK cable channels in which an entire village was killed-off when a lake released a large amount of CO2, putting the villagers to sleep and eventually suffocating them.

A similar discharge would stall the engines and render the pilots unconciouse. But, would it show up on radar?

How about a highly charged ionised gas cloud, as in the Earth Lights theory? Surly that would/could stop the engines, as in car stop cases, and affect the instruments/controls enough to cause disaster?

Rob

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Armchair astronaut maps final frontier Burlington man turns passion for space into books

Bill Taylor Staff Reporter

OK, so space is the final frontier. But who knew one of the border crossings would be in the back of a nondescript building in a little industrial complex just off the QEW? The sort of place you drive by three times before you find it.

Inside, Robert Godwin is on the moon...

"Cool, isn't it?" he says, turning away for a moment from his computer screen.

The CD-ROM he's running shows a map of the route of the lunar rover driven by astronauts David Scott and James Irwin on the Apollo 15 mission in 1971. Click on a point and suddenly you're there in the Hadley Rille region. You can turn 360 degrees, zoom in on the stark hills and valleys, the craters and threatening shadows of an alien world. And, if the loneliness starts to get to you, turn back to the rover parked reassuringly nearby.

"This is what they saw," says Godwin. "And look, see? Just over there. You can barely make it out. The landing module. Did you know, by the way, that it was designed by a Canadian? Owen Maynard."

Back on earth, Godwin's company, Apogee Books, has published 18 dauntingly detailed books on American space exploration, with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's full co-operation and reprints of the agency's mission reports. The latest venture delves into the Russian space program. Each comes with a CD-ROM with hours of video and information.

It all started with rock 'n roll. Godwin, 43, came to Canada in 1978 from northern England. A music enthusiast, he once had "the largest collection - it was documented - of Led Zeppelin stuff in the world" and wrote a book about the band.

Godwin's brother Richard works with the Space Frontier Foundation running 'Watch', an asteroid impact research project. "There are a lot of these rocks out there with the potential to hit the Earth and wipe us out."

Through his brother, Godwin found himself at the dinner marking the 30th anniversary of the Apollo 7 mission, sitting with Buzz Aldrin, second man on the moon. "My jaw was on the floor. I

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didn't say a word."

Not until Aldrin asked if he'd put out a "special book" for some friends who also had an anniversary coming up.

"I said, 'Apollo 8, right?'" Godwin recalls.

He published 500 copies. When the book was reprinted, "we sold 4,000 in less than a month," he says. "Then I saw an Apollo 11 press kit being sold on eBay for \$300. I thought that was outrageous. This is public domain information."

Then business blasted off. Godwin's office walls are covered with photos of him with astronauts - "This is me and Wally," Walter Schirra, one of the original Mercury 7 crew - and he's one of the few to get an interview out of Neil Armstrong, first man on the moon.

The book on the Apollo 11 moon mission was at the printers when a "junior clerk in Houston" turned up the astronauts' debriefing. "The whole moon-landing mission, blow by blow, in their own words. I called the printer and yelled, 'Stop the presses! Put Volume One on the cover!'"

The debriefing included Armstrong, Aldrin and Michael Collins talking about the UFO sighting that NASA later denied had happened. "They each describe it differently," says Godwin. "They agree that it was big. Then they basically say, 'We don't know what it was' and move on."

Godwin says he'd go into space himself "like a shot, though I don't know if I'll live to see it become affordable."

He lives in hope. Billionaire American Robert Bigelow has vowed to set up an orbiting hotel and casino. "He's already crossed the biggest barrier... money," says Godwin.

What was that about final frontiers?

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What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - II

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'The Encyclopedia of Extraterrestrial Encounters'

Edited by Ronald Story - published 2001

'Astronauts, UFO Sightings' - page 94

[...]

(15) July 16, 1969 - Apollo XI: This was a mission on which a UFO reportedly chased the spacecraft. 'Reportedly', indeed, but not very accurate. Actually, several UFO stories have attached themselves barnacle-like to man's first moon landing. A photo of an insulation fragment taken soon after third-stage separation has been widely published as a 'UFO' The astronauts watched their booster through a telescope on the way to the moon.

[...]

James Oberg

The following is, according to Robert Godwin, from a formerly 'Classified' NASA document.

The 500 page transcript was obtained by Godwin, editor of:

'Apollo 11 The NASA Mission Reports - Volume Two'

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The debriefing occured while Aldrin, Armstrong and Collins were quarantined for three weeks at the Lunar Receiving Laboratory in Houston, Texas.

The Apollo 11 Technical Crew Debriefing

July 31st 1969

Prepared by: Mission Operations Branch Flight Crew Support Division

Volume I & 2

[in Godwin's book pages 38-40]

- 6.40 REST PERIODS
- Aldrin: We're all good sleepers. The first one was not as good as the second or third, but the first sleep period was still surprisingly restful as far as I'm concerned.
- Collins: I think particularly when you get into the later flights of extended EVA'S and lunar activity, somehow the crew must place themselves in a frame of mind of looking on the separation of the LM [Lunar Module] as the beginning of the flight plan and to relax, get plenty of sleep, and conserve their energies in all the events leading up to that point.To arrive in lunar orbit tired can create problems and it's possible to do that if you don't approach it in the right frame of mind.
- Armstrong: I think Mike's hit the nail on the head. We did precisely that. We got a lot of rest and got into lunar orbit eager to go to work and that's a particularly fortunate position to be in.
- Collins: This is something we've talked about before the flight and I don't know how you can get yourself in that frame of mind but I think it is a frame of mind. You have to get yourself convinced that there will be a nice relaxing couple of days going to the moon.
- Aldrin: The first unusual thing that we saw I guess was 1 day out, or something, pretty close to the moon. It had a sizeable dimension to it, so we put the monocular on it.
- Collins: How'd we see this thing? Did we just look out the window and there it was?
- Aldrin: Yes, and we weren't sure but that it might be the S-IVB [Saturn Rocket Third Stage]. We called the ground and were told the S-IVB was 6000 miles away. We had a problem with the High Gain about this time, didn't we?
- Collins: There was something. We felt a bump or maybe I just imagined it.
- Armstrong: He was wondering whether the MESA [Modular Equipment Stowage Assembly] had come off.
- Collins: I don't guess we felt anything.
- Aldrin: Of course, we were seeing all sorts of little objects going by at the various dumps and then we happened to see this one brighter object going by. We couldn't think of anything else it could be other than the S-IVB. We looked at it through the monocular and it seemed to have a bit of an L-shape to it.
- Armstrong: Like an open suitcase.
- Aldrin: We were in PTC [Passive Thermal Control] at the time so each one of us had a chance to take a look at this and it certainly seemed to be within our vicinity and of a very sizeable dimension.
- Armstrong: We should say that it was right at the limit of the resolution of the eye. It was very difficult to tell just what shape it was. And there was no way to tell the size without knowing the range or the range without knowing the size.
- Aldrin: So then I got down in the LEB [Lower Equipment Bay] and started looking for it in the optics. We were grossly misled because with the sextant off-focus what we saw appeared to be cylinder.
- Armstrong: Or really two rings.
- Aldrin: Yes.

Armstrong: Two rings. Two connected rings.

- Collins: No, it looked like a hollow cylinder to me. It didn't look like two connected rings. You could see this thing tumbling and, when it came around end-on, you could look right down in its guts. It was a hollow cylinder. But then you could change the focus on the sextant and it would be replaced by this open-book shape. It was really weird.
- Aldrin: I guess there's not too much more to say about it other than it wasn't cylinder.
- Collins: It was during the period when we thought it was a cylinder that we inquired about the S-IVB and we'd almost convinced ourselves that's what it had to be. But we don't have any more conclusions than that really. The fact that we didn't see it much past this one time period we really don't have a conclusion as to what it might have been, how big it was, or how far away it was. It was something that wasn't part of the urine dump, we're pretty sure of that. Skipping ahead a bit, when we jettisoned the LM, you know we fired an explosive charge and got rid of the docking rings and the LM went boom. Pieces came off the LM. It could have been some Mylar or something that had somehow come loose from the LM.
- Aldrin: We thought it could have been a panel, but it didn't appear to have that shape at all.
- Collins: That's right, and for some reason, we thought it might have been a part of the High Gain Antenna. It might have been about the time we had high gain antenna problems. In the back of my mind, I have some reason to suspect that its origin was from the spacecraft.
- Aldrin: The other observation that I made accumulated gradually. I don't know whether I saw it the first night, but I'm sure I saw it the second night. I was trying to go to sleep with all the lights out. I observed what I thought were little flashes inside the cabin, spaced a couple of minutes apart and I didn't think too much about it other than just a note in my mind that they continued to be there. I couldn't explain why my eye would see these flashes. During trans-earth coast, we had more time and I devoted more opportunity to investigating what this could have been. It was at that point that I was able to observe on two different occasions that, instead of observing just one flash, I could see double flashes, at points separated by maybe a foot. At other times, I could see a line with no direction of motion and the only thing that comes to my mind is that this is some sort of penetration. At least that's my guess, without much to support it; some penetration of some object into the spacecraft that causes an emission as it enters the cabin itself. Sometimes it was one flash on entering. Possibly departing from an entirely different part of the cabin, outside the field of view. The double flashes appeared to have an entry and then impact on something such as the struts. For a while, I thought it might have been some static electricity because I was also able, in moving my hand up and down the sleep restraint, to generate very small sparks of static electricity. But there was a definite difference between the two as I observed it more and more. I tried to correlate this with the direction of the sun.When you put the window shades up there is still a small amount of Ieakage. You can generally tell within 20 or 30 degrees the direction of the sun. It seemed as though they were coming from that general direction; however, I really couldn't say if there was near enough evidence to support that these things were observable on the side of the spacecraft where the sun was. A little bit of evidence seemed to support this. I asked the others if they had seen any of these and, until about the last day, they hadn't.

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- Armstrong: Buzz, I'd seen some light, but I just always attributed this to sunlight, because the window covers leak a little bit of light no matter how tightly secured. The only time I observed it was the last night when we really looked for it. I spent probably an hour carefully watching the inside of the spacecraft and I probably made 50 significant observations in this period.
- Aldrin: Sometimes a minute or two would go by and then you'd see two within the space of 10 seconds. On an average, I'd say just as a guess it was maybe something like one a minute. Certainly more than enough to convince you that it wasn't an optical illusion. It did give you a rather funny feeling to contemplate that something was zapping through the cabin. There wasn't anything you could do about it.
- Armstrong: It could be something like Buzz suggested. Mainly a neutron or some kind of an atomic particle that would be in the visible spectrum.

Robert Godwin's book 'Apollo 11 The NASA Mission Reports -Volume Two' is a fascinating read. It contains a CD ROM with much Extra Vehicular Activity footage, shot while the crew were on the Moon and a more recent video interview with Buzz Aldrin, in MPEG format. Well worth the price of \$11.16 [US] at amazon.com - see link toward top.

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But then you would, wouldn't you? Just one more distracting and pathetic appeal to conform to the conventional wisdom of a skeptibunky elite - suspect in expression, exasperating in complacency, and artful in deceit?

>Of course, if you want to belief silly stuff, you have to assume >that anyone providing contrary testimony is a liar.

I won't be silly enough to let you define, for me, what's silly in the first place, sir. Your cleverly employed but fallacial "either/or", for instance, is seen for what it is by this member of UpDate's crowd...

Truly, it's all flat black and bright white with you and your lot, isn't it! Hot flash, Mr. "O", it's your black and white's the illusion. All colors or absent of color is an ideal you cling to that does not really exist in the, so called, real world. Your truth is mitigated by the prevailing wind of that which plumps your aggregate feed bag...

You make it too easy to remember that you hammer specious nails into the coffin lid of something that scratches audibly to get out, a scratching that is too airily passed off by you and your tottering last century establishment as a nonevent unworthy of serious attention - a thinly veiled admonition not to look behind the anomalous curtain... Your curtain disintegrates of its own accord, and the coffin lid's edges fray to purchaseless slivers as you frantically continue to hammer your ineffective nails...

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EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he Re: For The Record - FIDO UFO: Astronauts & UFOs -

gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by exceptionally scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Jim Oberg doesn't seem to have any trouble believing that Soviet cosmonauts who claimed they saw UFOs while in space were liars. He suggested on an AOL message board that they lied because they had been paid off by ufologists to spend some time at plush hotels for UFO conferences to tell their tales.

To me, this seems a far more scurrilous accusation than suggesting that someone may have lied because they had been ordered to do so on national security grounds. A military man lying because he felt it was his duty to follow orders wouldn't necessarily make him a 'liar' in the negative moral sense that the word is used to describe someone who lies to gain personal advantage. Lying for money certainly would.

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>Armchair astronaut maps final frontier
>Burlington man turns passion for space into books

>Bill Taylor >Staff Reporter

>OK, so space is the final frontier. But who knew one of the >border crossings would be in the back of a nondescript building >in a little industrial complex just off the QEW? The sort of >place you drive by three times before you find it.

>Inside, Robert Godwin is on the moon...

>"Cool, isn't it?" he says, turning away for a moment from his >computer screen.

>The CD-ROM he's running shows a map of the route of the lunar >rover driven by astronauts David Scott and James Irwin on the >Apollo 15 mission in 1971. Click on a point and suddenly you're >there in the Hadley Rille region. You can turn 360 degrees, zoom >in on the stark hills and valleys, the craters and threatening >shadows of an alien world. And, if the loneliness starts to get >to you, turn back to the rover parked reassuringly nearby.

>"This is what they saw," says Godwin. "And look, see? Just over >there. You can barely make it out. The landing module. Did you >know, by the way, that it was designed by a Canadian? Owen >Maynard."

>Back on earth, Godwin's company, Apogee Books, has published 18
>dauntingly detailed books on American space exploration, with
>the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's full
>co-operation and reprints of the agency's mission reports. The
>latest venture delves into the Russian space program. Each comes
>with a CD-ROM with hours of video and information.

<snip>

>He lives in hope. Billionaire American Robert Bigelow has vowed >to set up an orbiting hotel and casino. "He's already crossed >the biggest barrier... money," says Godwin.

>What was that about final frontiers?

Dear List and Errol,

(Thanks for the piece Errol... it brought back memories and makes a point).

This piece brought back some memories during the time I was working in space. If course, I've always been in space and/or a little spacey, but I meant to write 'on the space program at Grumman.' In them days we affectionately called Grumman Aircraft and Engineering Company, 'Gremlin Airtrash!'

Anyway, whilst I was working on OAO, I did have some wonderful opportunities to do some work on the LEM, the Lunar Excursion Module. And in an old and very large radar dome at their main facility, there was a LEM simulator. Only this one was not computer driven. It was a simple but very effective affair consisting of the LEM itself (enclosed and with seat belts so you did not get thrown off), a TV camera outside the LEM, focused on the lunar surface. And that lunar surface was real. It was taken from photographs and made to be nearly as exact as possible to the actual terrain on which the LEM would ride.

The simulator had small wheels from which fed back the up and down and left and right motions as the wheels rode on the 'lunar surface.' This control loop was amplified appropriately and fed back into the chair of the LEM. And 'ride 'em cowboy!'

You sat in the LEM, looked at a large TV screen and 'drove' the LEM. In lieu of the LEM moving, the simulated lunar surface moved as in a conveyor belt. And it was a long, long belt.

The reason I mention this, is that nearly everyone who sat in that LEM became ill. Most got out looking pale because the ride was bumpy and you had to turn to avoid 'craters.' This continuous turning and jogging made you nauseous... read: seasick. Even some of the astronauts whom I met. There were only two of us who enjoyed this (then) wondrous look into our future. Myself and Hank Courten.

In factoid, we would remain after work and ride the LEM for hours and hours and hours, fighting with one the other for the privilege of staying, never wishing to relinquish the ride to the other.

And one last point. In the dome itself, we positioned firefly lamps in the arrangement of stars which simulated a portion of the sky. And to my detractors, I never once saw one a them stars move around, bounce or otherwise make false moves. Even when riding that bucking bronco of a LEM. Honest. They only do that outside and once in a long while.

Maybe it's the Grip? Nah! I ain't started that stuff since, oh, 1998.

Jim

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Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - I - Fleming

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>The book on the Apollo 11 moon mission was at the printers when
>a "junior clerk in Houston" turned up the astronauts'
>debriefing. "The whole moon-landing mission, blow by blow, in
>their own words. I called the printer and yelled, 'Stop the
>presses! Put Volume One on the cover!'"

>The debriefing included Armstrong, Aldrin and Michael Collins
>talking about the UFO sighting that NASA later denied had
>happened. "They each describe it differently," says Godwin.
>"They agree that it was big. Then they basically say, 'We don't
>know what it was' and move on."

I've always believed Apollo 11 UFO sightings to be an urban legend, as Jim Oberg would have it. But if someone has really uncovered Apollo 11 debriefing documents asserting this, it would be hard to overstate their importance. I'd be interested in reading the briefing documents and knowing more about the reliability of this "junior clerk" before jumping to conclusions. Given that Godwin seems to be a reliable source quoted in a major newspaper, I think his claims deserve the most vigorous investigation possible.

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Re: Roswell Threads - Carey

From: **Tom Carey** <<u>TCarey1947@aol.com></u> Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 14:25:33 EST Fwd Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 17:06:59 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Carey

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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800

>>Conclusion:There are three people known to be living who
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>In conclusion, this is the same sort of nonsense that Dr. >Johnson has been spouting since he decided that he handled the >"real debris." While Irving Newton is certain that the material >on the floor is the stuff brought from Roswell, he has no way of >knowing that, other than what he had been told. On the other >side, General DuBose said that the debris had been switched, >Jesse Marcel, Sr. told reporter Johnny Mann, after examining the >pictures taken by Dr. Johnson, "This is not the stuff that I >found in New Mexico," and Jesse Marcel, Jr., after examining the >pictures said that the stuff bore a gross resemblance to the >debris he had seen, but it was not the same stuff.

To Kevin, List, All:

Nice to see Bond Johnson still trying to peddle his, 'I Photographed A Flying Saucer', tale yet again. Sort of comforting. Must mean it's a new year. Hold on. Let me check my calendar. Yep, it's 2002. Does it at least once a year, no matter how many times it's shot down, or how silly he looks. The "Little Engine That Could".

>Dr. Johnson, at no point, interviewed me. I interviewed him. The
>story he told me originally is in direct convict with that he
>tells today. As just a single example, he told me that he was
>told, by General Ramey, that the material in his office was part
>of a weather balloon. Today, Dr. Johnson denies he said this,
>even after hearing himself, on tape, make just that statement.
>The only pure fabrications we have are claims by Dr. Johnson
>that begin with the fact he unwrapped the debris, to the story
>that he handed General Ramey the note in his hand (which, if
>true, certainly negates the work of those trying to understand
>it), that General Ramey didn't know what was in his office, and

>his continued attacks on those of us with whom he disagrees.

>I'll make one other comment here. In the last year two members >of Dr. Johnson's RPIT have asked for copies of my taped >interviews and the correspondence I had with Dr. Johnson. They >wanted, I suppose, to review the data, especially since Dr. >Johnson and I seemed to be at such odds. They could listen to >the tapes, hear Dr. Johnson make the statements that he claimed >he never made, and they could read the letters that suggested I >wanted to resolve the differences and the lack of candor on Dr. >Johnson's part. I went to the time and expense of making the >copies and paying for the postage. All that I asked was that >they make some comment on the material, not necessarily in a >public forum. Since then I have heard nothing from either of >them. They have had the material for many months, have had >adequate time to review the material and even to discuss it with >Dr. Johnson, but they have done nothing about any of this. Had I >been wrong or misrepresented the material, you can be sure that >we would all have been hearing about it. The silence is >deafening and I think supportive of my position. Dr. Johnson's >first interviews, with me, reflect the reality of the situation >on July 8, 1947, and his later tales smack of confabulation and >wishful thinking.

>KRandle

Last year, against my better judgement, I engaged in a private debate with one of the RPIT members - he shall remain nameless about Bond Johnson and the Ft. Worth photographs. A score or e-mails were exchanged between us before, as expected, the RPIT member tossed out the "Randle edited the tapes", charge. My guess - without hearing the tapes - was that extraneous talk that had nothing to do with the main topic under discussion might have been excised for economy's sake. To others - and no doubt this was the intended impression - it conjures up images of cutting and splicing different answers to different questions that had been asked on the tape in order to alter intended meanings. Not a good thing.

Attempting to get to the bottom of this charge - as I had heard it several time before - I asked my RPIT member what exactly had been "edited". Were the 'edits' at the paragraph, sentence, word, morpheme or phoneme level? He claimed to have heard the tapes, so I expected an informed reply. However, like the chess-player who sees check-mate coming with the next move, he simply ran and hid. I never heard from him again.

As with Roswell debunkers, there is a double standard at work here. Pro-Roswell investigators must dot every possible 'i' and cross every possible 't', or it doesn't count as evidence, while the debunkers - please don't refer to them as 'skeptics' - can throw out stuff, have it shot down, then throw it out again and again. As long as there is one, last, thin reed to cling to - even if it's only in their own mind - the debunker will hold on to the point of silliness. When that reed gives way, rather than concede, they run away and hide.

Tom Carey

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>>Subject: Kinross Incident?

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>>Would/could a cloud/bubble of methane gas reflect radar >>emmissions back to the receiver? I ask for this reason. On more >>than a few occassions aircraft have gone missing over the Great >>Lakes. One of the more famous incidents is of course the USAF >>F-89C out of Kinross AFB on Nov. 23,1953. The F-89C was observed >>to merge with an unidentified target by Ground Control Intercept >>[GCI] radar.

><snip>

>It wouldn't have to be methane. I saw a documentary on one of >the UK cable channels in which an entire village was killed-off >when a lake released a large amount of CO2, putting the >villagers to sleep and eventually suffocating them.

>A similar discharge would stall the engines and render the >pilots unconciouse. But, would it show up on radar?

>How about a highly charged ionised gas cloud, as in the Earth >Lights theory? Surly that would/could stop the engines, as in >car stop cases, and affect the instruments/controls enough to >cause disaster?

<snip>

Hello all,

at:

http://vulcan.wr.usgs.gov/Glossary/Lakes/description volcanic lakes gas rele ase.html

One finds most there is to know about CO2 and lakes.

CO2 is heavier than air, runs down slopes and fills depressions.

Not a good candidate at 7000 feet.

Methane?

Clouds can be seen on radar because they are denser than air: droplets in suspension. They can thus reflect the radar waves and return an echo.

Stealth technology implies part _diverting_ and part absorbing the radar waves.

http://www.ufoupdateslist.com/2002/jan/m13-014.shtml[10/12/2011 09:43:10]

Re: Kinross Incident? - Kinross Incident? -

Would a methane or some other gas cloud return an echo? Well... is there any data from the Bermuda Triangle?

Regards

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

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>>Interview with Former Roswell Weatherman Irving Newton:

>><u>http://www.abduct.com/features/f28.htm</u>

>>Had a nice long fonecon [phone conversation] this afternoon with
>>Irving Newton, 78, of San Antonio, TX, the Ramey weatherman and
>>Roswell debris "identifier." He seemed pleased to hear from me
>>(we never had talked before) and was quite open and eager to
>>talk.

>Ed, List, All -

>In my conversations and correspondence with Irving Newton, I >have always found him cooperative, cordial and friendly. He is >eager to talk about his involvement in the Roswell case.

>>He has quite a collection of Roswell memorabilia and offered to
>>"lay it all out" if I will come to San Antonio to visit with
>>him. He has several copies -- but no negatives or originals ->>of the photo of him in General Ramey's office. He has no idea
>>who took the photo. He confirmed most of the stories told about
>>him in the Roswell accounts, with a few notable exceptions:

>>He was the only weatherman on duty in air operations on
>>the late afternoon of July 8, 1947. They ran a 24 hour shop
>>and a weatherman was supposed to be in air operations at
>>all times.

>>He was summoned to Ramey's office first by Col. Dubose and then
>>personally by Gen. Ramey. He supports accounts of harsh language
>>from Ramey ordering him to Ramey's office. He thinks he arrived
>>at Ramey's office -- just a few blocks from air operations ->>between 4:30 and 5 p.m. (That must have been only a short time
>>after I had finished taking my fotos and departed Ramey's
>>office.)

>I think this is the first time that he identified the colonel >specifically. When I spoke with him, he just suggested that he >was met by a colonel who told him that they had some debris from >Roswell that most thought was a flying saucer but that the >general thought was a weather balloon. He, the general, wanted >Irving to identify it. (Moore and Berlitz suggested that Ramey, >though the colonel, was telling Newton to identify whatever he >saw as a weather balloon but I think the colonel was just >giving Newton the facts of the situation and expected him to >identify the material, or rather, confirm, Ramey's analysis. I >don't think he was being ordered to identify it as anything >specific. He was supposed to look at it and then tell the >general what he thought it was.) >>Newton was met and briefed by COL. Dubose who told him upon his >>arrival at Ramey's office that the General was uncertain whether >>this was a flying saucer and maybe it was a weather device, and >>he wanted Newton to take a look. Newton said he took one look at >>the debris spread out on the carpet and said "If that is not a >>Rawin device I will eat it!"

>>Newton is _dead_certain_ that what was on the floor in Ramey's >>office is what Marcel brought from Roswell.

>The point is that he would not know, for certain, that it is >what Marcel brought from Roswell because he wasn't there when >the material arrived. This point, however, is important to Dr. >Johnson who makes the claim that some of the real debris was in >among the bits of the weather balloon debris.

Yes, it is our contention that the debris on Ramey's carpet is some of the actual debris brought from Roswell by Marcel and that none of the debris is a RAWIN radar device.

>>He says he has said this over and over for years to
>>interviewers, and especially Randle and Friedman have simply
>>ignored his statements.

>This is blatant "Bondism". I have accurately reported exactly >what Newton told me and I have the tapes to back it up. I have >letters in which I have asked him for clarification of his >report and I have reported on that as well. There is nowhere >that I have ignored his statements, Dr. Johnson's allegation to >the contrary.

These are Newton's words to Bond. Bond can't help that Newton is feeling ignored.

>>Newton seems to remember a few people in the office "taking >>notes". He assumed them to be reporters. He was not too clear on >>that point. It was not an especially momentous event for him. He >>said that Major Marcel was there and followed him around the >>office trying to get him to look at "some of the sticks" he was >>holding and to see the strange symbols on them that Marcel >>thought were "not of this world." He does recall seeing strange >>random figures on some of these sticks.

>Newton told me, and I believe it to be an important point, he >did not know Marcel and was introduced to none of the men in the >room he did not know. In other words, Newton has assumed that >the man asking the questions was Major Marcel, but Marcel has >said that he was ordered by Ramey not to open his mouth. >Therefore, Marcel was not the major asking the questions and >that officer was more than likely Major Charles A. Cashon, >Ramey's public affairs officer. (Newton didn't know him either.)

Yes, this could be the case.

>And interestingly, Dr. Johnson has claimed that he was the only >reporter to go to Ramey's office and speak with him, newspaper >reports and other evidence to the contrary.

When Bond took the photos, there were no other reporters in the room. Do you have evidence that there were others?

>Colonel DuBose

>(later brigadier general) said that there were four or five >reporters in the room asking questions. Since DuBose would have >known the officers present, all of whom would have been in >uniform and thereby identifying themselves as officers, those >DuBose thought were reporters were in civilian clothes and >unknown to him. Given the circumstances, it's clear that these >men were reporters, some of whom worked for radio stations. Dr. >Johnson has confirmed for us that other reporters did, in fact, >interview General Ramey, contrary to what Dr. Johnson now >claims.

Who were those reporters? What is your evidence?

>Finally we have this last little bit of invention in an attempt >to confirm that some "real" debris was in the room. In no other >interviews had Newton ever suggested he remembered strange >figures on the balloon. I don't dispute this but that doesn't mean that he didn't say this to Bond.

>>This all follows closely several accounts that I have read about >>Newton and his visit to Ramey's office. But there are mysteries >>here: why was Marcel's hat and tie gone from the radiator in the >>Newton foto?

>We don't know that these items were Marcel's. It is more likely >that these were Ramey's and removed for no nefarious purpose >other than to remove some clutter from the office.

>>Would the major have gotten into uniform to talk >>with a warrant officer when he didn't for a media photographer?

>Maybe Marcel didn't care. Maybe he didn't expect to meet with a >newspaper photographer. Maybe he didn't have a tie and didn't >put it on at all, so these assumptions by Dr. Johnson are >invalid.

>This is not to mention that I find it difficult to believe that >a major would walk into a general's office and toss his hat and >tie onto the radiator. If Marcel had removed his tie, he would >have stuffed it into his pocket and since the hat is soft cloth >and relatively small, he could have done the same thing with it. >Military protocol suggests that Marcel keep his personal items >grouped together and not tossed around the office.

Bond was speculating and you are too. There are no answers to these questions.

>>And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in >>the Ramey/Dubose photos?

>This is an obvious result of the different angles from which the >photographs were shot and nothing more.

Maybe and maybe not. Careful inventory and description of all material in all photos would settle this question.

>>In the days following, Newton received many phone calls and >>letters from other AAF weathermen who had a variety of comments >>for him, but not from the press at that time.

>Of course not. The story was dead. The material identified as a >weather balloon and radar target. There was no story. Those >others probably saw Newton's picture in the newspaper and called >to find out what was going on.

>>At a later time he was interviewed by Life Magazine and other >>magazines and a TV company interviewed him on camera in his >>home, etc.

>>He and his wife were flown to Roswell in July 1996 for him to
>>make a speech to tell his story. It was in an auditorium and
>>there was an admission charged. He described his experiences of
>July 8, 1947, and told the audience that the debris in Ramey's
>>office was the "real stuff" that Marcel had brought from
>>Roswell, but that several of the reporters simply ignored his
>>statements in this regard. The inquiries have been few and far
>>between recently and he was not invited to attend the last two
>>Roswell anniversary bashes.

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If the material on Ramey's carpet is not the material from Roswell, then what is it? It's not a RAWIN. If it's not a RAWIN, what is it? Where is your evidence that it is a weather balloon, other than the story of a switch. Why not take a close look at the photos and try to determine just what is on the carpet?

The only hard evidence we have are the photos.

Your disagreements with Bond are irrelevant to the main issue: what is the nature of the debris?

Why are you so reluctant to participate in an in depth discussion of these photos?

You and I both agree that Marcel didn't misidentify and then carry a weather balloon and radar target from Roswell to FW. We both agree that the Roswell debris that Marcel found was very unusual and probably "alien". Our main disagreement is whether a radar target and weather balloon were substituted for the debris that Marcel carted to FW. If that's the case, you should be able to identify the type of target and balloon. And the other debris on the carpet should be easily identified as being from some mundane assemblage of objects that we'd expect the General would have readily available for the substitution. These include I beams, various wires and connectors, and many other parts and gizmos that are not normally associated with passive weather balloons and radar reflectors.

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>>I suspect that Aldrin's and other kneejerk response >>to the often asked UFO question is ingrained through constant >>reminders by NASA not to discuss it. Besides, ya can't be a >>macho 'Right Stuff' pilot with NASA and believe all that UFO >>stuff-unless you are Gordon Cooper.

>I rather suspect Aldrin's comments are sincere and accurate, and >that he's telling the truth.

>Of course, if you want to belief silly stuff, you have to assume >that anyone providing contrary testimony is a liar.

Oberg, you take the cake, Dude. You gotta be the most fallacious bugger I ever came across, purely by virtue of your crude and oft transparent attempt at making sense and telling your story. That story is a construct of falsehoods so blatantly obvious to anyone with half an intellect, that it is actually laughable to read your tripe, a food I've never really appreciated.

You sir, are not a very nice man, nor an erudite one, nor do you even make the attempt at making sense. At least in my opinion. _And_ you have never apologized. I have a short (I wear boots now) but telling Sicilian phrase which describes the gobbledygook coming forth from your virtual pen... phonetically ... _Shtoonad y boodoo, una credeena.

However, other than that, I really like you. You make me laugh. I always laugh at people who fall down a lot. Most especially, when they don't get hurt. Which in your case, is a damned shame!

Jim Mortellaro Capo di Tutti Capi of Perceived Abductees

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Re: For The Record - FIDO UFO: Astronauts & UFOs -

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca</u>>
Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 16:17:09 -0400
Fwd Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 17:22:30 -0500
Subject: Re: For The Record - FIDO UFO: Astronauts & UFOs -

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg</u>@houston.rr.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: For The Record - FIDO UFO: Astronauts & UFOs
>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 20:32:38 -0600

>>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 14:36:04 -0400
>>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
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>>Subject: Re: For The Record - FIDO UFO: Astronauts & UFOs

>>I suspect that Aldrin's and other kneejerk response
>>to the often asked UFO question is ingrained through constant
>>reminders by NASA not to discuss it. Besides, ya can't be a
>>macho 'Right Stuff' pilot with NASA and believe all that UFO
>>stuff-unless you are Gordon Cooper.

>I rather suspect Aldrin's comments are sincere and accurate, and >that he's telling the truth.

>Of course, if you want to belief silly stuff, you have to assume >that anyone providing contrary testimony is a liar.

What silly stuff - and who decides what's silly and what isn't? Can't believe everything NASA tells me. Whaddaya gonna do with an outfit that fakes Moon photos for publicity purposes? And no, I don't think it was a hoax - just some of the photos.

The American flag in front of the between-the-camera lens registration marks, I thought was a nice touch.

Now that's silly.

Foolishness like that drags the whole thing down. There's a big difference between lying and toeing the line. They do, they don't. Too bad they can't seem to make up their minds.

How come Aldrin et al are true blue and Cooper's the dog?

BTW James - what do you think of Paul Hill's work on the subject?

Don Ledger

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 23:07:59 +0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 06:00:27 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 18:11:06 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

All,

Can I add a few comments and details here that might have been missed and some hard facts that are obtained from direct examination of JBJ's photographs, something I've been extensively involved in for the last 3 years?

>>From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman@psln.com></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800
>>Interview with Former Roswell Weatherman Irving Newton:

>><u>http://www.abduct.com/features/f28.htm</u>

>>Had a nice long fonecon [phone conversation] this afternoon with >>Irving Newton, 78, of San Antonio, TX, the Ramey weatherman and >>Roswell debris "identifier." He seemed pleased to hear from me >>(we never had talked before) and was quite open and eager to >>talk.

>Ed, List, All -

>In my conversations and correspondence with Irving Newton, I >have always found him cooperative, cordial and friendly. He is >eager to talk about his involvement in the Roswell case.

>>He has quite a collection of Roswell memorabilia and offered to >>"lay it all out" if I will come to San Antonio to visit with >>him. He has several copies -- but no negatives or originals -->>of the photo of him in General Ramey's office. He has no idea >>who took the photo. He confirmed most of the stories told about >>him in the Roswell accounts, with a few notable exceptions:

>>He was the only weatherman on duty in air operations on
>>the late afternoon of July 8, 1947. They ran a 24 hour shop
>>and a weatherman was supposed to be in air operations at
>>all times.

>>He was summoned to Ramey's office first by Col. Dubose and then
>>personally by Gen. Ramey. He supports accounts of harsh language
>>from Ramey ordering him to Ramey's office. He thinks he arrived
>>at Ramey's office -- just a few blocks from air operations ->>between 4:30 and 5 p.m. (That must have been only a short time
>>after I had finished taking my fotos and departed Ramey's
>>office.)

>I think this is the first time that he identified the colonel >specifically. When I spoke with him, he just suggested that he >was met by a colonel who told him that they had some debris from >Roswell that most thought was a flying saucer but that the >general thought was a weather balloon. He, the general, wanted >Irving to identify it. (Moore and Berlitz suggested that Ramey, >though the colonel, was telling Newton to identify whatever he >saw as a weather balloon but I think the colonel was just >giving Newton the facts of the situation and expected him to >identify the material, or rather, confirm, Ramey's analysis. I >don't think he was being ordered to identify it as anything >specific. He was supposed to look at it and then tell the >general what he thought it was.)

>>Newton was met and briefed by COL. Dubose who told him upon his >>arrival at Ramey's office that the General was uncertain whether >>this was a flying saucer and maybe it was a weather device, and >>he wanted Newton to take a look. Newton said he took one look at >>the debris spread out on the carpet and said "If that is not a >>Rawin device I will eat it!"

>>Newton is _dead_certain_ that what was on the floor in Ramey's >>office is what Marcel brought from Roswell.

>The point is that he would not know, for certain, that it is
>what Marcel brought from Roswell because he wasn't there when
>the material arrived. This point, however, is important to Dr.
>Johnson who makes the claim that some of the real debris was in
>among the bits of the weather balloon debris.

The chronology of Newton's involvement seems to have been greatly glossed over by many researchers, but it must be noted that in Moore and Shandera's, 'Three Hours That Shook the Press', MUFON Journal #269 Sept 1990, the shift pattern of FWAAF were studied to see just when the Met Office at FWAAF was single manned, as Newton was adamant he was the only officer on duty at the time he got the call to go over to Ramey's office. According to the authors the shifts at the FWAAF Met office changed at 6pm from the 1st shift a 2 man team, to the 2nd shift which was a _single_ manned watch.

If Newton was alone in the Met office that day he _must_ have been on the 2nd shift which came on duty at 6pm otherwise he's mistaken of his facts which would throw the rest of his information into doubt.

The prospect he was on this later shift seems to be supported by the timing of the Newton ID AP wire release at _6.30pm_, and also the very late appearance of the supporting Newton/Debris photo on the wires.

<snip>

>And interestingly, Dr. Johnson has claimed that he was the only >reporter to go to Ramey's office and speak with him, newspaper >reports and other evidence to the contrary. Colonel DuBose >(later brigadier general) said that there were four or five >reporters in the room asking questions. Since DuBose would have >known the officers present, all of whom would have been in >uniform and thereby identifying themselves as officers, those >DuBose thought were reporters were in civilian clothes and >unknown to him. Given the circumstances, it's clear that these >men were reporters, some of whom worked for radio stations. Dr. >Johnson has confirmed for us that other reporters did, in fact, >interview General Ramey, contrary to what Dr. Johnson now >claims.

I've debated this point often and at length with Kevin but I've still to see the evidence of Ramey being _directly_ "interviewed" by anyone. Most newspaper coverage reprinted the copy they received form the wire-services they were affiliated to, ie AP,UP etc and if you read these of't repeated (and sometimes re-worked) reports it becomes clear, at least to me, the main mouthpiece for FWAAF throughout the events of the 8th July was one of the base IO's Maj Edwin Kirton relaying Ramey's statements, his name pops up time and again and is even referenced as being the FWAAF source who phoned the FBI with the information contained in the famous FBI Teletype of 6.17pm, note it was Kirton who phoned them, not the other way round.

A preemptive strike for the AAF perhaps to kill any active FBI involvement and investigation?.

>Finally we have this last little bit of invention in an attempt >to confirm that some "real" debris was in the room. In no other >interviews had Newton ever suggested he remembered strange >figures on the balloon.

Well he's recalled them well enough for artist Kimberly Moeller to draw them out and receive Newton's endorsement for accuracy.

>>This all follows closely several accounts that I have read about >>Newton and his visit to Ramey's office. But there are mysteries >>here: why was Marcel's hat and tie gone from the radiator in the >>Newton foto?

>We don't know that these items were Marcel's. It is more likely >that these were Ramey's and removed for no nefarious purpose >other than to remove some clutter from the office.

No, Ramey had his tie _on_ in the pictures, DuBose hasn't but why would he leave his cap and tie in his commander's office and not his own?.

There is also the briefcase and documents on the chair next to the radiator that holds the cap and tie, and these too are missing from the Newton shot together with all that interesting debris.

>>Would the major have gotten into uniform to talk >>with a warrant officer when he didn't for a media photographer?

>Maybe Marcel didn't care. Maybe he didn't expect to meet with a >newspaper photographer. Maybe he didn't have a tie and didn't >put it on at all, so these assumptions by Dr. Johnson are >invalid.

>This is not to mention that I find it difficult to believe that >a major would walk into a general's office and toss his hat and >tie onto the radiator. If Marcel had removed his tie, he would >have stuffed it into his pocket and since the hat is soft cloth >and relatively small, he could have done the same thing with it. >Military protocol suggests that Marcel keep his personal items >grouped together and not tossed around the office.

Maybe they _were_ grouped together with his briefcase and papers? Just speculation.

>>And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in >>the Ramey/Dubose photos?

>This is an obvious result of the different angles from which the >photographs were shot and nothing more.

Nope... Not only has the paper the debris is sitting on been relocated in the Newton shots, it _has_ had a number of _none_ balloon/target type debris removed. ie a _very_ heavy gauge piece of metallic debris showing right angle edge folding and with clear symbols is no longer visible, yet it's surrounding debris is still there in the Newton shot.

So, by the time the Newton shot was taken and the Balloon cover story agreed on, the debris seems to have been sanitised to resemble, as best it could the explanation being given out as a press release and supported by the Newton picture.

The sanitisation exercise may not be just my flight of fancy, as our very recent measurements of the debris taken from the computer models RPIT member Andrew Lavoie has produced have shown, there _may_ well be some reflector debris mixed in there, _but_ a significant part of the debris _connot_ be radar target related due to it's measurements and some most decidedly isn't target related because of it's construction and features, ie un-powered radar targets didn't have cables attached.

For those interested in reviewing some of these un-radar target like points in the debris, my MUFON Journal article due in the Feb issue I believe, illustrates a number.

Neil

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Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

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>From: Tom Carey <<u>TCarey1947@aol.com></u>
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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800

Tom Carey wrote:

>Last year, against my better judgement, I engaged in a private >debate with one of the RPIT members - he shall remain nameless ->about Bond Johnson and the Ft. Worth photographs. A score or >e-mails were exchanged between us before, as expected, the RPIT >member tossed out the "Randle edited the tapes", charge. My >guess - without hearing the tapes - was that extraneous talk >that had nothing to do with the main topic under discussion >might have been excised for economy's sake. To others - and no >doubt this was the intended impression - it conjures up images >of cutting and splicing different answers to different questions >that had been asked on the tape in order to alter intended >meanings. Not a good thing.

Hi Tom, List, All -

Lets, just for fun, go through this "Randle edited the tapes" crap one last time. Originally, a decade ago, after Dr. Johnson changed his story and said that Ramey hadn't told him that the debris was a weather balloon, that Ramey didn't know what it was until after Dr. Johnson left his office, and the like was claimed, I called Dr. Johnson to ask about it. When I read to him from the transcripts, he said that he didn't remember saying those things and didn't think he would have said them. For his convenience, I made an edited version of the tapes so that he could hear himself make the statements he said he didn't make. I left in the context, the questions, and some of the subsequent material so that Dr. Johnson could understand that I was not taking his statements out of context or that I hadn't understood what he said. Even with these "edits" the tape ran to more than an hour.

Later, when Dr. Johnson began to say that I had edited the tapes, implying that I had altered them, I sent to him a full set so that the only breaks were where I had to turn the tapes over. There were no edits and Dr. Johnson had, in complete form, everything that I had. When he again said that I had edited the tapes and started this nonsense I sent him another full set, along with the correspondence between us, and other documentation. I have since supplied that material to, at the very least, two members of the RPIT without a comment by them. So, yes, there was an edited tape, but nothing was altered. Dr. Johnson had two complete sets of the tapes in which he says all the things I have reported he said with no hint of a break or edit in the most important of the material. He, and his RPIT can hear him say all the things that he denies he said right up to and including telling me, seven separate times, that he wrote the July 9 article that appeared in the Star-Telegram, important because the last paragraph tells us that Ramey had identified the material as a weather balloon, in stark contrast to what Dr. Johnson claims now. (Which also explains why he now denies that he wrote the article.)

I think I have explained all this before, but Tom's email suggested that maybe I should post it one more time. Dr. Johnson's new stories are simply not supported by the evidence, his taped interviews with me, and the documentation available. I believe the problem for the RPIT is that if I am right, then much of the work they have been doing is irrelevant.

KRandle

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

From: **Ed Gehrman** <<u>eqehrman</u>@psln.com> Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 15:55:14 -0800 Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 06:06:48 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

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>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 14:25:33 EST
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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800

>Nice to see Bond Johnson still trying to peddle his, 'I
>Photographed A Flying Saucer', tale yet again. Sort of
>comforting. Must mean it's a new year. Hold on. Let me check my
>calendar. Yep, it's 2002. Does it at least once a year, no
>matter how many times it's shot down, or how silly he looks. The
>"Little Engine That Could".

This is a four-year old interview that I found on the web and decided to post to clarify just what Newton was saying four years ago. It was the only interview I was able to find, and not an attempt to bolster our position but simply make some points clear about what was said and what wasn't. I didn't ask Bond's permission nor did we collude in any way. He is not responsible for the posting of the Newton interview, I am.

<snip>

>As with Roswell debunkers, there is a double standard at work >here. Pro-Roswell investigators must dot every possible 'i' and >cross every possible 't', or it doesn't count as evidence, while >the debunkers - please don't refer to them as 'skeptics' - can >throw out stuff, have it shot down, then throw it out again and >again. As long as there is one, last, thin reed to cling to >- even if it's only in their own mind - the debunker will hold on >to the point of silliness. When that reed gives way, rather than >concede, they run away and hide.

I don't understand how the this paragraph applies to us. We are not debunkers or skeptics but independent researchers. We're trying to introduce new evidence; we'd like others to take a close look at our efforts. Andrew's measurements are an example of what we've uncovered. There's much more, but you have to be willing to try to follow our reasoning. Everything we've discovered is open to honest discussion.

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Re: Bruni On James Whale Show - UK

From: Georgina Bruni <<u>georgina@easynet.co.uk</u>> Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 23:44:17 -0000 Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 06:22:02 -0500 Subject: Re: Bruni On James Whale Show - UK

Georgina Bruni will be on the James Whale Show, Talksport National Radio, U.K., from 11pm on Monday 14 January, to discuss the latest updates on the Rendlesham Forest UFO incident.

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Re: Roswell Threads - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 20:52:31 -0400 Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 06:25:59 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Friedman

>From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman@psln.com></u>
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>>>Interview with Former Roswell Weatherman Irving Newton:

>>><u>http://www.abduct.com/features/f28.htm</u>

<snip>

>>>-James Bond Johnson, Ph.D.
>>Phone-con With Irving Newton 8/15/98
>>>Date: 98-08-15 20:24:22 EDT

>>In conclusion, this is the same sort of nonsense that Dr.
>>Johnson has been spouting since he decided that he handled the
>>"real debris." While Irving Newton is certain that the material
>>on the floor is the stuff brought from Roswell, he has no way of
>>knowing that, other than what he had been told. On the other
>>side, General DuBose said that the debris had been switched,
>>Jesse Marcel, Sr. told reporter Johnny Mann, after examining the
>>pictures taken by Dr. Johnson, "This is not the stuff that I
>>found in New Mexico," and Jesse Marcel, Jr., after examining the
>>pictures said that the stuff bore a gross resemblance to the
>>debris he had seen, but it was not the same stuff.

>If the material on Ramey's carpet is not the material from >Roswell, then what is it? It's not a RAWIN. If it's not a RAWIN, >what is it? Where is your evidence that it is a weather balloon, >other than the story of a switch. Why not take a close look at >the photos and try to determine just what is on the carpet?

>The only hard evidence we have are the photos.

>Your disagreements with Bond are irrelevant to the main issue: >what is the nature of the debris?

>Why are you so reluctant to participate in an in depth >discussion of these photos?

>You and I both agree that Marcel didn't misidentify and then >carry a weather balloon and radar target from Roswell to FW. We >both agree that the Roswell debris that Marcel found was very >unusual and probably "alien". Our main disagreement is whether a >radar target and weather balloon were substituted for the debris >that Marcel carted to FW. If that's the case, you should be able >to identify the type of target and balloon. And the other debris >on the carpet should be easily identified as being from some >mundane assemblage of objects that we'd expect the General would >have readily available for the substitution. These include I >beams, various wires and connectors, and many other parts and >gizmos that are not normally associated with passive weather >balloons and radar reflectors.

My server was down for several hours today, so maybe I am living in a timewarp. Doesn't the Johnson statement have an August 1998 date on it and wasn't it discussed back then? Why recycle this?.

There are, incidentally, others who handled wreckage such as Loretta Proctor and Bill Brazel as well as Jack (Pappy) Henderson, John Kromshroeder, Jason Groote. No, what the latter three handled was not part of a V-2 rocket,

Stan Friedman

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Bruni On James Whale Show - UK

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Kinross Incident? - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca</u>>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 06:45:37 -0500
Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Ledger

>From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@rocler.qc.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Kinross Incident?
>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 14:35:46 -0500

>>From: Robert Boreham <<u>fatrob83@hotmail.com></u>
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 15:25:42 +0000

>>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 13:56:15 -0400
>>>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Kinross Incident?</u>

><snip>

>>>Would/could a cloud/bubble of methane gas reflect radar >>>emmissions back to the receiver? I ask for this reason. On more >>>than a few occassions aircraft have gone missing over the Great >>>Lakes. One of the more famous incidents is of course the USAF >>>F-89C out of Kinross AFB on Nov. 23,1953. The F-89C was observed >>>to merge with an unidentified target by Ground Control Intercept >>>[GCI] radar.

>><snip>

>>It wouldn't have to be methane. I saw a documentary on one of
>>the UK cable channels in which an entire village was killed-off
>>when a lake released a large amount of CO2, putting the
>>villagers to sleep and eventually suffocating them.

>>A similar discharge would stall the engines and render the >>pilots unconciouse. But, would it show up on radar?

>>How about a highly charged ionised gas cloud, as in the Earth
>>Lights theory? Surly that would/could stop the engines, as in
>>car stop cases, and affect the instruments/controls enough to
>>cause disaster?

><snip>

>Hello all,

>at:

>http://vulcan.wr.usgs.gov/Glossary/Lakes/description volcanic lakes gas re lease.html

>One finds most there is to know about CO2 and lakes.

>CO2 is heavier than air, runs down slopes and fills depressions.

>Not a good candidate at 7000 feet.

>Methane?

>Clouds can be seen on radar because they are denser than air: >droplets in suspension. They can thus reflect the radar waves

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>and return an echo.

>Stealth technology implies part _diverting_ and part absorbing >the radar waves.

>Would a methane or some other gas cloud return an echo?

>Well... is there any data from the Bermuda Triangle?

>Regards

Hello Serge and Robert,

So far nothing definitive about radar bouncing back from methane bubbles. C02 definitely too heavy.

As for data from the BT, none that I'm aware of. Just a theory albeit a good one I think [not sure which engineer or scientist it was that came up with it] - that poses hydrates releasing gases when exposed to sea water after underwater subterranean subsidence exposing the frozen hydrate layer which immediatly would turn to gas. Apparently that area [BT] is a good place for this type of thing to happen. I wondered about certain areas of the Great Lakes perhaps having the same properties. Aircraft, vessels and even submarines could be in danger of being destroyed if there's anything to this theory.

I know that the Wollops Island rocket launches [over 4,000] in the 60s released gases into the upper stratosphere for whatever reason and were tracked but I'm not sure how. Optically for sure but I don't know if they used radar.

Best,

Don Ledger

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Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - I - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 21:06:35 -0400
Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 06:49:21 -0500
Subject: Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - I - Friedman

>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 13:13:33 -0600
>Subject: Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - I
>From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5@</u>houston.rr.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto

>>Source: The Toronto Star

><snip>

>>The book on the Apollo 11 moon mission was at the printers when
>>a "junior clerk in Houston" turned up the astronauts'
>>debriefing. "The whole moon-landing mission, blow by blow, in
>>their own words. I called the printer and yelled, 'Stop the
>>presses! Put Volume One on the cover!'"

>>The debriefing included Armstrong, Aldrin and Michael Collins
>>talking about the UFO sighting that NASA later denied had
>>happened. "They each describe it differently," says Godwin.
>>"They agree that it was big. Then they basically say, 'We don't
>>know what it was' and move on."

>I've always believed Apollo 11 UFO sightings to be an urban >legend, as Jim Oberg would have it. But if someone has really >uncovered Apollo 11 debriefing documents asserting this, it >would be hard to overstate their importance. I'd be interested >in reading the briefing documents and knowing more about the >reliability of this "junior clerk" before jumping to >conclusions. Given that Godwin seems to be a reliable source >quoted in a major newspaper, I think his claims deserve the most >vigorous investigation possible.

I called Godwin sometime back after the early article appeared and talked to him and got copies from the debriefing report. There is no question that a sighting was made by all three, though they differed in their description and there is no question it was taken seriously. I notified John Greenwald who also obtained a copy of the debriefing. Definitely not an urban legend. Not a great sighting either. Too bad Jim [Oberg] didn't check first before saying there was nothing to it.

On the subject of urban legends, I don't agree with Josh Goldstein that the Spielberg Reagan story is suspect because of Jaime Shandera. I knew him quite well. He worked long and hard. He certainly had nothing to do with the MJ-12 documents put forth by Tim Cooper (many of which I showed in my MUFON 2000 paper were frauds). He had nothing to do with SOM 1.01. As I pointed out in the paper, the EBE, CT, and TF memos still look good. I presume all the critics noted that, for example, the GAO guys noted the use of the strange classification TOP SECRET RESTRICTED in genuine, still classified, documents from the CT time frame.. despite claims that it hadn't been used?? Early absence of evidence is not evidence for absence. As Jim Oberg should have also learned by now.

Stan Friedman

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Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 21:18:38 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 06:53:20 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

>From: Tom Carey <<u>TCarey1947@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 14:25:33 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 18:11:06 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800

Tom, List, All -

I hesitate to revisit all this, but as I was looking up some documentation for a response to Ed's latest, I came across a letter that I had written to be included in the material sent to a member of the RPIT team. I think it should end part of the discussion at this point.

Tom wrote:

>A score or >e-mails were exchanged between us before, as expected, the RPIT >member tossed out the "Randle edited the tapes", charge. My >guess - without hearing the tapes - was that extraneous talk >that had nothing to do with the main topic under discussion >might have been excised for economy's sake.

On the third tape, in which we, Dr. Johnson and I, discuss his claim of changed quotes and I read to him from my transcripts, he asks that I send copies of the tapes so that he can hear what is said. The important point (and I wish that Errol would allow all caps to go through here so that I could shout it), Dr. Johnson asks that I just send him copies of the specific quotes... in other words, Dr. Johnson asks for "edited" tapes. Now he has the gall to accuse me of editing the tapes, after he asked that I do it. And yes, his request is on the tapes so that he has heard himself say that, and all his minions, if they have listened to the tapes, have heard him ask for an "edited" copy. Too bad he forgot about that, and too bad I had forgotten about it as well.

KRandle

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 21:29:51 -0600 Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 07:00:21 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 21:17:36 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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David (and Tom Carey please feel free to weigh in),

Let me see if I've got this straight.

Marcel accompanied real Roswell debris to Fort Worth.

Ramey, knowing it was on the way, ordered up some ordinary balloon debris to display in his office in its place.

Where did he get this ready-made debris on such short notice? After all, it's not likely that he could just turn to an aide and say go out back of Hangar B and bring me back some balloon (and presumably Rawin) debris. And make it pronto.

In fact, if he needed some local stuff, you'd think the person he would have ordered to produce it would be - you guessed it - Irving Newton.

Just for the record, what do you and Carey think that stuff is on Ramey's floor? And where do you think it came from?

Moreover, what about that brown wrapping paper on the floor? Didn't that come from Roswell? Why wasn't the real stuff simply wrapped back up in the paper it came in and sent on its way? That would be the expedient thing to do, assuming time was at a premium.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Deschamps

From: Michel M. Deschamps <ufoman@ican.net> Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 01:52:28 -0500 Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 07:08:32 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Deschamps

>From: Robert Boreham <<u>fatrob83@</u>hotmail.com>
>To: <u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 15:25:42 +0000

>>Would/could a cloud/bubble of methane gas reflect radar >>emmissions back to the receiver? I ask for this reason. On more >>than a few occassions aircraft have gone missing over the Great >>Lakes. One of the more famous incidents is of course the USAF >>F-89C out of Kinross AFB on Nov. 23,1953. The F-89C was observed >>to merge with an unidentified target by Ground Control Intercept >>[GCI] radar.

><snip>

>It wouldn't have to be methane. I saw a documentary on one of >the UK cable channels in which an entire village was killed-off >when a lake released a large amount of CO2, putting the >villagers to sleep and eventually suffocating them.

>A similar discharge would stall the engines and render the >pilots unconciouse. But, would it show up on radar?

>How about a highly charged ionised gas cloud, as in the Earth >Lights theory? Surly that would/could stop the engines, as in >car stop cases, and affect the instruments/controls enough to >cause disaster?

Funny how the facts of this case are biting you guys on the ass, and still... you keep chomping at the bit.

Another case of re-hashing... and re-appointing an alternative explanation to a classic UFO incident.

Cordially,

Michel M. Deschamps

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Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Velez

From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 02:31:35 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 07:15:39 -0500
Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space? - Velez

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 23:29:17 EST
>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space?
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 18:22:48 -0500
>>From: Kenny Young <<u>ufo</u>@fuse.net>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space?

>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 14:35:51 -0500
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: NASA's Future Role In Space?</u>

>>>Has anyone ever actually asked Spielberg to confirm this
>>>story? I spent twenty minutes trying to track down an
>>>e-mail address for either Spielberg's offices or
>>>Dreamworks, I drew a blank on both. If anyone has a contact
>>>address we could simply put the question to him and then see
>>>if he chooses to respond.

>>>After so many years, you'd think 'someone' would have tried >>>to confirm it by now. Does anybody know ?

>>John;

>>Well, I gave it a whirl last year by sending the following
>>letter off. But as you can imagine, Mr. Spielberg is not an easy
>>man to just pick up a phone and call. By the way, there was
>>absolutely no response to the letter, hmpf!

>On one hand the story came from Jamie Shandara whom claimed that >Spielberg whispered into his ear so to speak. On the other hand >Spielberg has chosen not to _deny_ the story even when he has >been given a number of chances over the years by letters and so >forth. If it never happened, Spielberg could easily deny it and >never break any private conversations he had with the President.

>Apparently all we have is "Shandara said" and thats all.

Hi Robert, Kenny, All,

Kenny: I'm not surprised that you (or anyone else) never received a response. (If) then president Reagan had whispered something like the quote that is attributed to him into Spielberg's ear, it would _probably_ bring nothing but grief for him if he did cop to it in public. Spielberg hasn't gotten where he'has in life by being shortsighted or stupid. It would mean all the wrong kind of publicity for anyone wishing to maintain a semblance of normalcy or sanity in their lives. (The man has a family.)

Plus, it would mean dragging the name and reputation of a former President (further complicated by the fact that he also happens to be an Alzheimer's casualty) into the inevitable ensuing media feeding frenzy. Not an appetizing prospect for a whistle-blower. He would be attributing a statement (with monumental implications) to a man who cannot answer for himself. Bad ju-ju all around.

We all would like for Spielberg to tell us what the poop is, but just as valid is the question; would anyone really blame him for keeping his mouth shut given the circumstances? I know I wouldn't.

As I said, (if) Reagan did say something like that, then I'm not at all surprised that Spielberg would choose to keep it to himself. Whether he is morally right or wrong for doing so is another question/consideration entirely.

Robert: Given what we know of Shandera, there is little more we can do other than to put it on a back-burner on the outside chance that it may one day be corroborated by Spielberg himself. For the reasons I gave above, I doubt that day will ever arrive however. For now, we can file it away with the other Presidential rumors that; Kennedy was about to reveal the truth about alien visitors before he was shot; and the one about Nixon having showed proof of alien life to Jackie Gleason. ;)

The real meat on the table at the moment is the recently released lunar Astronaut debriefings from NASA. I suggest that our time is better spent following _that_ trail rather than any that was left behind by the 'questionable' likes of Jaime Shandera. :)

The recent astronaut related revelations also kind of explains why Herr Oberg - of the forked tongue - suddenly crawled out of the woodwork, and why he is 'working' the UFO Lists so diligently. "But he was here _before_ this story broke" I hear some say.

Sometimes, 'timing' is everything says I. :)

Hey NASA, got a mess in aisle 5? Send in the clean-up boy with his trusty mop and broom. :)

The sad part is; every time one of these messenger-boys gets caught in a lie - NASA denied the astronauts reported anything 'anomalous' at all for all of these years - only serves to further erode what little is left of the public's trust in its own institutions. Their lies degrade democracy and keep vital information out of the human historical record. The real enemy eats and sleeps among us.

Warm regards,

John Velez

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk> Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 10:41:00 +0000 Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 07:20:29 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

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>Finally, Ramey's teletype message, held in his hand while >Johnson was taking pictures, states that the next sent out press >release was going to be about weather balloons. The fix was in >before Newton ever arrived on the scene. He was brought in >strictly for show at the very end.

David,

The message held in Ramey's hand is unlikely to be a teletype message.

The mechanics and instruction set of the teletype machines used back then did _not_ include commands able to generate the line feed mis-alignments observed in the text layout. The teletype machines only had a LF command which incremented the paper by one _full_ line at a time, there was no command to reverse this, if you sent LF you were stuck on the next line down the paper.

Unlike computers that originally represented text using an 8bit (now 16bit) code, the poor old teletype was ham-strung by adopting early on a _5 bit_ code for all it's text and very few control functions.

The Ramey Message shows _partial_ line feed mis-alignments both down the page and then in the _reverse_ direction back up the page. This _cannot_ be done with a vintage 1940's mechanical teletype, I have a 1960's mechanical teletype and it cannot do this action. Taking this into account I can only personally conclude that the Ramey Message was the output from a _manual_ typewriter and the mis-alignments generated by the paper being wound out, and then back in, inaccurately, while a typing error was corrected.

Neil

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From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk> Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 11:50:00 +0000 Fwd Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 07:22:48 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

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>To Kevin, List, All:

>Nice to see Bond Johnson still trying to peddle his, 'I >Photographed A Flying Saucer', tale yet again. Sort of >comforting. Must mean it's a new year. Hold on. Let me check my >calendar. Yep, it's 2002. Does it at least once a year, no >matter how many times it's shot down, or how silly he looks. The >"Little Engine That Could".

Tom,

In your haste you might not have noticed that (a) Bond wasn't the person who posted the piece and (b) the piece itself is dated 1998!.

>Last year, against my better judgement, I engaged in a private >debate with one of the RPIT members - he shall remain nameless ->about Bond Johnson and the Ft. Worth photographs. A score or >e-mails were exchanged between us before, as expected, the RPIT >member tossed out the "Randle edited the tapes", charge. My >guess - without hearing the tapes - was that extraneous talk >that had nothing to do with the main topic under discussion >might have been excised for economy's sake. To others - and no >doubt this was the intended impression - it conjures up images >of cutting and splicing different answers to different questions >that had been asked on the tape in order to alter intended >meanings. Not a good thing.

>Attempting to get to the bottom of this charge - as I had heard >it several time before - I asked my RPIT member what exactly had >been "edited". Were the 'edits' at the paragraph, sentence, >word, morpheme or phoneme level? He claimed to have heard the >tapes, so I expected an informed reply. However, like the >chess-player who sees check-mate coming with the next move, he >simply ran and hid. I never heard from him again.

>As with Roswell debunkers, there is a double standard at work >here. Pro-Roswell investigators must dot every possible 'i' and >cross every possible 't', or it doesn't count as evidence, while >the debunkers - please don't refer to them as 'skeptics' - can >throw out stuff, have it shot down, then throw it out again and >again. As long as there is one, last, thin reed to cling to >- even if it's only in their own mind - the debunker will hold on >to the point of silliness. When that reed gives way, rather than >concede, they run away and hide.

In the final analysis, what Bond Johnson did or did not say to Kevin in the phone interviews (and yes I do have a copy of Kevin's tapes) has to be settled between the two parties involved. But before we get sidetracked by this debate go back and check out the details given by some major Roswell witnesses and see how those have changed over time, ie Jesse Marcel arrived back at RAAF late in the evening of the 8th according to early interviews with Bill Moore _yet_ we now accept the later details where he woke up his son around 1-2am.

I'm not trying to be an apologist here, but merely pointing out witness testimony _has_ changed and no doubt will continue to do so. Bond Johnson is _not_ _alone_ in refreshing his memory of events when given the time to think through 40 year old recollections, I sometimes think some researchers expect total recall on demand and take exception when it doesn't happen, but it just doesn't work that way.

Bond Johnson has one major contribution, and _ only_one_ in the Roswell Story and that _is__not_ his testimony to the events (though interesting enough). It's simply the set of pictures he took in Ramey's office that afternoon and which provide us with an actual frozen moment in time from the event we're still debating 50+ years later.

And remember the pictures don't rely on fuzzy memories, they tell the same story they bore witness to the day they were taken.

Neil

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>Lets, just for fun, go through this "Randle edited the tapes" >crap one last time. Originally, a decade ago, after Dr. Johnson >changed his story and said that Ramey hadn't told him that the >debris was a weather balloon, that Ramey didn't know what it was >until after Dr. Johnson left his office, and the like was >claimed, I called Dr. Johnson to ask about it. When I read to >him from the transcripts, he said that he didn't remember saying >those things and didn't think he would have said them. For his >convenience, I made an edited version of the tapes so that he >could hear himself make the statements he said he didn't make. I >left in the context, the questions, and some of the subsequent >material so that Dr. Johnson could understand that I was not >taking his statements out of context or that I hadn't understood >what he said. Even with these "edits" the tape ran to more than >an hour.

>Later, when Dr. Johnson began to say that I had edited the >tapes, implying that I had altered them, I sent to him a full >set so that the only breaks were where I had to turn the tapes >over. There were no edits and Dr. Johnson had, in complete form, >everything that I had. When he again said that I had edited the >tapes and started this nonsense I sent him another full set, >along with the correspondence between us, and other >documentation. I have since supplied that material to, at the >very least, two members of the RPIT without a comment by them.

>So, yes, there was an edited tape, but nothing was altered. Dr. >Johnson had two complete sets of the tapes in which he says all >the things I have reported he said with no hint of a break or >edit in the most important of the material. He, and his RPIT can >hear him say all the things that he denies he said right up to >and including telling me, seven separate times, that he wrote >the July 9 article that appeared in the Star-Telegram, important >because the last paragraph tells us that Ramey had identified >the material as a weather balloon, in stark contrast to what Dr. >Johnson claims now. (Which also explains why he now denies that >he wrote the article.)

>I think I have explained all this before, but Tom's email >suggested that maybe I should post it one more time. Dr. >Johnson's new stories are simply not supported by the evidence, >his taped interviews with me, and the documentation available. I >believe the problem for the RPIT is that if I am right, then >much of the work they have been doing is irrelevant.

Please forgive me for not doing a better job of "snipping" prior text. I left it to provide complete and proper context for what I have to say.

I would like to respectfully make a suggestion. It won't be popular, but I am making it in good faith.

Kevin, I suggest you consult an attorney (or two) and consider filing a lawsuit for slander and/or libel (and, if your attorney suggests, prehaps for intentional infliction of emotional distress, negligent infliction of emotional distress, etc.). If I were in your position, I would certainly consider filing such a lawsuit.

I don't make this recommendation lightly, or to be overly litgous. To me, it seems to be a simple matter. You have been accused (directly and/or by necessary implication of fact) of being dishonest regarding a clearly factual matter. People say you edited tapes, presumably in order to mislead others. You say you have not. (FWIW, I believe you). You have the tapes. They can be examined. Presumably, an expert could examine the tapes, and testify that they have not been cut, altered, or edited in anyway.

I recommend you consider filing such a lawsuit not to make money, but to preserve your reputation and, most importantly, to establish the truth.

There is much in Ufolgy that is not verifiable and not subject to any sort of final determination. This is.

-- Charles

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Subject: Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - Oberg

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers >Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2002 12:48 PM
>Subject: UFO UpDate: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - II

- >Collins: No, it looked like a hollow cylinder to me. It didn't
 > look like two connected rings. You could see this
 thing tumbling and, when it came around end-on, you
 could look right down in its guts. It was a hollow
 cylinder. But then you could change the focus on the
 sextant and it would be replaced by this open-book
 shape. It was really weird.
- >Aldrin: I guess there's not too much more to say about it > other than it wasn't cylinder.
- It was during the period when we thought it was a cylinder that we inquired about the S-IVB and we'd >Collins: > almost convinced ourselves that's what it had to be. > But we don't have any more conclusions than that really. The fact that we didn't see it much past this > > one time period - we really don't have a conclusion > > as to what it might have been, how big it was, or how far away it was. It was something that wasn't part of the urine dump, we're pretty sure of that. Skipping ahead a bit, when we jettisoned the LM, you know we fired an explosive charge and got rid of the docking > > > > rings and the LM went boom. Pieces came off the LM. > It could have been some Mylar or something that had somehow come loose from the LM.

I've got some cool photos of S-4B stages drifting away from the CSM/LM, if somebody wanted to post them somewhere folks could inpsect them. The sunlit front end looks like a bright ring, floating in front of the sun-glinted aft engine.

Without earthlight to fill in the dark shadows, they look nothing like the S-4B closer in low earth orbit. Bizarre -- so much so that one Brit UFO magazine even took an image with the front ring, blew it up and cropped it, and featured it on the cover of one issue as a genuine Apollo UFO.

Regarding other stuff flying by the windows, that was so common the guys called them 'moon pigeons', and NASA even commissioned a special investigation to analyze sightings to see which might have any structural or safety implications. See:

http://members.aol.com/moonpigeons/ for the whole report.

Jim Oberg

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>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

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>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 14:25:33 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

Neil, Tom, List, All -

>Tom,

>In your haste you might not have noticed that (a) Bond wasn't >the person who posted the piece and (b) the piece itself is >dated 1998!.

I think we all noticed that it was Ed who posted the piece, though it reads as if it was something that Dr. Johnson had written, using his curious style of first person and third person narrative.

And yes, we also noticed that it was dated 1998 but it was just posted to UpDates.

<snip>

>In the final analysis, what Bond Johnson did or did not say to
>Kevin in the phone interviews (and yes I do have a copy of
>Kevin's tapes) has to be settled between the two parties
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>details where he woke up his son around 1-2am.

We're not talking about slight modifications to the story told by the witnesses, we're talking about outright contradictions. Dr. Johnson told me, flat out, that General Ramey told him that the debris was from a weather balloon. He said that several times and believed that he had been duped by the military. Now he says that General Ramey never told him it was a weather balloon. This is a major alteration because it changes the story and is not the same as saying I got home in the evening, or it was one or two o'clock in the morning.

Dr. Johnson told me, at least seven times, that he had written the July 9 article, that it was his, or it was his story in the newspaper. After he came out with his new version, that General Ramey didn't know it was a weather balloon, and I pointed out that the last paragraph in that July 9 article confirmed that it wasn't a weather balloon, Dr. Johnson changed his story.

He said, at one point that he had entered the empty office and found the wrapped packages. He unwrapped them. When I asked if he had rifled the desk, too, the story changed to he and Colonel DuBose unwrapping some of the packages... which suggests, not a change in a foggy memory, but a change because the original tale was so outrageous that we didn't believe it.

Yes, the photographs exist and we can examine them, but the information contained in them is limited. We have the tales told by Dr. Johnson, which seem to be in conflict with the testimony of many others (Jesse Marcel, Sr., Irving Newton, Thomas DuBose and himself) changing all the time to place him into the center arena. There is no reason to accept the later versions of his tales, and that tends to taint everything that he touched. In the end, there are only the photographs, and any information he provides about the how and why of them must be viewed with a skeptical eye.

I also find it interesting that as the tapes circulate, there is a distancing from Dr. Johnson. What he said to me is not really all that important now. Well, people's stories do change in repeated telling. What he said to me is irrelevant.

My point here is that his story changed, radically (and once again I wish we could use all caps because I would shout radically) and that has rendered what he said about his experiences in Ramey's office moot. He could have provided us with some interesting insight. Instead we get his fantasies.

KRandle

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>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>David (and Tom Carey please feel free to weigh in),

>Let me see if I've got this straight.

>Marcel accompanied real Roswell debris to Fort Worth.

>Ramey, knowing it was on the way, ordered up some ordinary >balloon debris to display in his office in its place.

>Where did he get this ready-made debris on such short notice? >After all, it's not likely that he could just turn to an aide >and say go out back of Hangar B and bring me back some balloon >(and presumably Rawin) debris. And make it pronto.

Hi Dennis, List, All -

If you don't mind me weighing in here, let me point out that I think Ramey could, actually, turn to his aide and say get me some balloon debris... and no, given the timing and the fact that Newton was off-duty in the afternoon, they wouldn't have called him.

I asked Newton about this. If he would know where to find the balloon and rawin target and he said yes, so I presume that the other weather officers would know. Newton suggested Lawton, OK, think Fort Sill, home of the Artillery... the balloons and target would have been used by them for artillery practice. Or, even Roswell because the balloons and target were used in atomic testing and Roswell had been the logistical center for Operation Crossroad.

And yes, it would have been no trouble for Ramey, a general, to order one of the balloons and targets brought to Fort Worth, assuming that nothing he needed was available locally. So, I have never had a problem with his locating and retrieving a balloon and target to display on the floor.

KRandle

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Alfred's Odd Observation #004

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com> Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 08:36:24 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 01:58:22 -0500 Subject: Alfred's Odd Observation #004

Alfred's Odd Observation #004 (Monday -- January 14, 2002)

...Nothing visual to report this iteration. The weather has not cooperated with a sufficiently clear enough sky, and the days with the requisite sky have not yielded anything other than the frustratingly mundane...

...But what I have instead, by way of observation, is an excerpt from Jacques Vallee's "Anatomy of a Phenomenon" that seems amazingly prescient given its lucid predictions regarding the consequences involved with our continuing lack of scientific courage... Dr. Vallee, remember, is the "Beethoven" of classical Ufology, has never been discredited, and is a TRUE scientist.

A NEW SYSTEM OF WORKING HYPOTHESES (from page 194)

We should probably stop here, having shown that none of the present interpretations of the UFO phenomena is fully satisfactory; we would thus stay on the safe side of .the fence. However, we feel we must complete this chapter by stating where our own system of ideas tends to stand between the various theories we have reviewed. We are assuming, of course, that it is understood that the system is purely speculative in nature. We would summarize it under the following seven points:

(1) It is scientifically permissible to work under the general hypothesis that UFOs are material objects, not excluding the possibility of their being non-human vehicles. There is no reason only theories based on the idea that the senses of all witnesses have been abused should bear the stamp of scientific consideration. On the contrary, the hypothesis that the authors of reports have indeed been in visual contact with physical objects, possibly behaving under intelligent control, leads to an analysis of the UFO phenomenon that lacks neither objectivity nor consistency.

(2) Under such a hypothesis, the fact that the "controlling intelligence" could not belong to any of the communities which are present today on our planet would be shown by the permanence of UFO activity through changing phases of our technology and even, possibly, through early phases of our historical development.

(3) Historically, it would be difficult to determine a starting point for this activity, even if considered artificial in nature. The only fact clearly visible from the data we have is that UFO activity almost ceased between 1914 and 1946 but was considerably renewed in May of 1946. It has been present ever since, with a significant decrease in amplitude since 1958.

(4) If the hypothesis that UFO phenomena are manifestations of a controlling intelligence finds serious confirmation in years to come, through research or otherwise, we feel that one should then accept the idea that UFO operators have been seen on the ground on several occasions.

(5) Under such circumstances, we would expect intellectual

contact to be possible, owing to the fact that human concepts seem in our observation, to be applicable to UFO behavior, but we would continue to reject the claim of particular individuals that they have been "contacted" and al- lowed to know the origin of the "visitors".

(6) In a discussion concerning the "purpose" of UFO activity we would point out:

a) that technological development on earth is now such that we are able, at least in theory, to reach any point in the universe which lies within our visual range, having thus overcome the handicap of creatures that can live only on the surface or very close to the surface of a planetary body;

b) that UFO activity was suddenly renewed after World War II, when both rocket and aircraft technology had reached a point where space travel could be realistically visualized;

c) that a particular peak of activity, quite unlike other waves, took place in 1957 when Sputniks I and II were launched into orbit.

(7) It is our opinion that a dispassionate, scientific debate could be established concerning the UFO phenomenon, and that such a discussion could well be conducted within the boundaries set by rationalism for the purpose of objective acquisition of knowledge. The various points involved in the present arguments over the nature of this phenomenon could then be checked by reference to a system of catalogues of observations, very often of high reliability, that falls within the competence of the professional scientist. The existing files, kept up-to-date by official services in this country and by a few reliable amateurs abroad, would provide a basis for the establishment of a general investigation of this type. If, however, these documents and the underlying phenomenon they manifest should be neglected by professional scientists, only obscurantism and charlatanism would be encouraged. Such an attitude would lead to the generation of myths that could constitute a danger when the sociological impact of space exploration reaches its full strength.

Through UFO activity, although no physical evidence has yet been found, some of us believe the contours of an amazingly complex intelligent life beyond the earth can already be discerned. The wakening spirit of man, and the horrified reaction of his too-scrupulous theories: what do they matter?

Our minds now wander on planets our fathers ignored. Our senses, our dreams have reached across the night at last, and touched other universes. The sky will never be the same again.

It seems that Dr. Vallee might understand something about real epiphany... this is especially obvious when one remembers that the preceding was written prior to 1965... The last paragraph, especially, is truer now today than it ever has been!

Read on!

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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, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800

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>>The point is that he would not know, for certain, that it is
>>what Marcel brought from Roswell because he wasn't there when
>>the material arrived. This point, however, is important to Dr.
>>Johnson who makes the claim that some of the real debris was in
>>among the bits of the weather balloon debris.

>Yes, it is our contention that the debris on Ramey's carpet is >some of the actual debris brought from Roswell by Marcel and >that none of the debris is a RAWIN radar device.

Sorry, but then you would be wrong. You can even see the darkened balloon envelop in the some of the pictures. Clearly, the debris is of a Rawin target and a neoprene balloon.

>>>He says he has said this over and over for years to >>>interviewers, and especially Randle and Friedman have simply >>>ignored his statements.

>>This is blatant "Bondism". I have accurately reported exactly
>>what Newton told me and I have the tapes to back it up. I have
>>letters in which I have asked him for clarification of his
>>report and I have reported on that as well. There is nowhere
>>that I have ignored his statements, Dr. Johnson's allegation to
>>the contrary.

>These are Newton's words to Bond. Bond can't help that Newton is >feeling ignored.

Unless you have heard a tape, then we don't know these are Newton's words. Dr. Johnson has a long history of misunderstanding what people have said to him and he has reported these inaccuracies. I point to his "press release" talking of some sort of special exhibit of the photographs and his suggestion the Air Force and the UTA had words, which was not proved by research conducted by others. I also have a letter from Jesse Marcel, Jr. in which Dr. Johnson misquoted him. Without a tape, what we have are Dr. Johnson's interpretation of Irving Newton's words and that is a world of difference.

For those interested in the specifics, I note that Robert Durant sent a copy of his letter from UTA which said in part, "You

mention in your letter that Mr. (sic) Johnson has said that an agency of the U.S. government engaged in a 'dispute' with UTA re these photos. That simply is not true. There was no dispute..."

For those interested in Jesse Marcel, Jr. I point you to Updates, May 29, 1998, subject "Roswell Photos." Stan Friedman (who has now incurred Dr. Johnson's wrath as well) wrote, "I have been in close touch with Dr. Jesse A. Marcel over the last few days re these pictures. Bond has very unfortunately vastly overstated what Jesse says. He has NOT said that anything in the pictures looks like the I-beam and symbols and other wreckage he saw in 1947."

So, I say again because I believe it bears repeating, that we don't know that those were Irving Newton's words because we have no evidence that he said them. We have Dr. Johnson's interpretation of those words which, given his past history, is probably exaggerated.

<snip>

>>And interestingly, Dr. Johnson has claimed that he was the only >>reporter to go to Ramey's office and speak with him, newspaper >>reports and other evidence to the contrary.

>When Bond took the photos, there were no other reporters in the room. >Do you have evidence that there were others?

No one said there were other reporters in the room when Dr. Johnson took the pictures. The point is that other reporters, from other news media were in Ramey's office that afternoon and evening. David Rudiak has posted the evidence as it has appeared in various newspapers. We also have Colonel DuBose's statements about other reporters, as well as statements by Jesse Marcel, Sr. and Irving Newton. What more is required to suggest that there were other reporters, at a different time, in General Ramey's office.

>>Colonel DuBose

>>(later brigadier general) said that there were four or five >>reporters in the room asking questions. Since DuBose would have >>known the officers present, all of whom would have been in >>uniform and thereby identifying themselves as officers, those >>DuBose thought were reporters were in civilian clothes and >>unknown to him. Given the circumstances, it's clear that these >>men were reporters, some of whom worked for radio stations. Dr. >>Johnson has confirmed for us that other reporters did, in fact, >>interview General Ramey, contrary to what Dr. Johnson now >>claims.

>Who were those reporters? What is your evidence?

See above. But more important, why do you reject the testimony of all those others who were there, and the documented evidence from various newspapers?

>>Finally we have this last little bit of invention in an attempt >>to confirm that some "real" debris was in the room. In no other >>interviews had Newton ever suggested he remembered strange >>figures on the balloon.

>I don't dispute this but that doesn't mean that he didn't say >this to Bond.

Given Dr. Johnson's history, I think it does.

<snip>

>>This is not to mention that I find it difficult to believe that
>>a major would walk into a general's office and toss his hat and
>>tie onto the radiator. If Marcel had removed his tie, he would
>>have stuffed it into his pocket and since the hat is soft cloth
>>and relatively small, he could have done the same thing with it.
>>Military protocol suggests that Marcel keep his personal items
>>grouped together and not tossed around the office.

>Bond was speculating and you are too. There are no answers to >these questions.

Actually, all we have to do is look at military customs and

military protocol for the answer. It is unlikely that the hat and the tie belonged to Major Marcel. It is much more likely that they were General Ramey's property. Those of us who had served in the military understand this, those who have not seem to fail to understand basic military courtesy.

>>>And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in >>>the Ramey/Dubose photos?

>>This is an obvious result of the different angles from which the >>photographs were shot and nothing more.

>Maybe and maybe not. Careful inventory and description of all >material in all photos would settle this question.

And from the analysis that I have conducted, using some of the best equipment available, there is nothing to suggest that debris had been removed. It's the same stuff that was there when Dr. Johnson took his six photographs... and wouldn't the existence of this seventh photograph, printed in newspapers around the country provide some evidence of other reporters in General Ramey's office?

<snip>

>>In conclusion, this is the same sort of nonsense that Dr.
>>Johnson has been spouting since he decided that he handled the
>>"real debris." While Irving Newton is certain that the material
>>on the floor is the stuff brought from Roswell, he has no way of
>>knowing that, other than what he had been told. On the other
>>side, General DuBose said that the debris had been switched,
>>Jesse Marcel, Sr. told reporter Johnny Mann, after examining the
>>found in New Mexico," and Jesse Marcel, Jr., after examining the
>>pictures said that the stuff bore a gross resemblance to the
>>debris he had seen, but it was not the same stuff.

>If the material on Ramey's carpet is not the material from >Roswell, then what is it? It's not a RAWIN. If it's not a RAWIN, >what is it? Where is your evidence that it is a weather balloon, >other than the story of a switch. Why not take a close look at >the photos and try to determine just what is on the carpet?

Simple. It is the remains of a weather balloon and rawin radar target. The balloon is visible and the debris is easily recognized as the remains of a degraded target.

>The only hard evidence we have are the photos.

>Your disagreements with Bond are irrelevant to the main issue: >what is the nature of the debris?

It is relevant in that it provides us was a glimpse into the data supplied by Dr. Johnson. The debris is a balloon and target.

>Why are you so reluctant to participate in an in depth >discussion of these photos?

What is this about? I have participated in long and involved research into the debris shown in the photographs. I know what it is and I believe that most others on this list understand what it is.

>You and I both agree that Marcel didn't misidentify and then >carry a weather balloon and radar target from Roswell to FW. We >both agree that the Roswell debris that Marcel found was very >unusual and probably "alien". Our main disagreement is whether a >radar target and weather balloon were substituted for the debris >that Marcel carted to FW. If that's the case, you should be able >to identify the type of target and balloon. And the other debris >on the carpet should be easily identified as being from some >mundane assemblage of objects that we'd expect the General would >have readily available for the substitution. These include I >beams, various wires and connectors, and many other parts and >gizmos that are not normally associated with passive weather >balloons and radar reflectors.

According to Irving Newton, the material is from a weather balloon and rawin target. I asked Newton if he knew where to get a balloon and he told of a number of locations, all easily within reach of General Ramey. Given that he was the commanding officer of the 8th Air Force and given that he commanded any number of aircraft and given that he could authorize flying missions, it would not have been difficult for him to find and fly in a degraded weather balloon and radar target (which is not to say that he did it himself but had a staff officer do it).

Like others, I see nothing in the pictures that suggest anything other than a weather balloon and I have looked at the various websites and other evidences offered and have seen nothing there that would alter my opinion.

So, that's where we are. I do not believe the information supplied by Dr. Johnson and I can offer example after example of his misstatements and confabulations. I believe that we have proven, time and again, that there were other reporters in General Ramey's office (though not when Dr. Johnson was there) and that my interviews with him prove my points. I know that others grow tired of these discussions that cover the same ground, but as Tom pointed out in his posting, it matters not what we offer in the way of proof, it matters not what evidence is presented, there are those who simply will not understand the truth when they see it.

KRandle

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>I'm not trying to be an apologist here, but merely pointing out >witness testimony _has_ changed and no doubt will continue to do >so.

<snip>

Huh?

Unacceptable.

Truth should stand by itself. You make it a two party position and wash your hands of the responsibility you have to step in.

KRandle is being accused by JBJohnson of not telling the truth, of doctoring tapes to discredit Johnson. All this could be (finally) cleared up with evidence already available: tapes.

Who _is_ telling the truth? Who _is_ falsely accusing whom?

Now, I understand that somebody as serious as yourself, Neil, engaged in a quest for _truth_, wouldn't hesitate to give us the real story.

No?

If Randle was at fault, would you tell us?

Regards,

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Re: Kinross Incident? - McCoy

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>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 01:52:28 -0500

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>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 15:25:42 +0000

>>>Would/could a cloud/bubble of methane gas reflect radar >>>emmissions back to the receiver? I ask for this reason. On more >>>than a few occassions aircraft have gone missing over the Great >>>Lakes. One of the more famous incidents is of course the USAF >>>F-89C out of Kinross AFB on Nov. 23,1953. The F-89C was observed >>>to merge with an unidentified target by Ground Control Intercept >>>[GCI] radar.

Hello, all. Michel

I am curious, did any UFO reports exsist for that time period? Also, as I have pointed out in an earlier post the F-89C had some structural deficentices that could have contributed to the demise of the Aircraft.

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The formation report archives have been updated on the web site, for 2001, 2000, 1997-1995, 1980s, 1970s, 1960s and 1950s. A number of reports added, plus the archives are being reformatted somewhat, to provide quicker access to photos, diagrams and field reports separately for each formation where available.

Additional updates to be added soon, as time allows me to do so. In my own archives, there are currently about 170 reports, going back to the 1960s and earlier, including 'standard' crop circles, pasture / grass circles, ice rings, forest rings, etc. Even 10' tall cattle corn, blueberry plants, hollyhocks and tobacco plants, to name some of the more unusual places circles have turned up in. All will be added to the web site, for as a complete as possible record of these phenomena in Canada.

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Object Near Sunlike Star Caught on Camera http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/space/01/07/brown.dwarf/index.html

Planet Found Around Giant Star Gives Clues to Earth's Fate http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/astronomy/planet found 020108.html

Kepler: The Search is On http://www.space.com/searchforlife/seti kepler 020110.html

One-Stop Shop for Planet Discoveries Unveiled http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/space/01/09/planet.news/index.html

Happy Navigators Prepare to Say "Goodnight and Goodbye" to Odyssey's Successful Aerobraking http://mars.jpl.nasa.gov/spotlight/aeroendAll.html

Beyond Contact: A Guide to SETI and Communicating with Alien Civilizations http://www.space.com/spacelibrary/books/library mcconnell 020111.html

'Alien' Message Tests Human Decoders http://www.newscientist.com/news/news.jsp?id=3Dns99991757

True Color of the Cosmos Revealed http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/space/01/10/color.cosmos/index.html

Dark Matter: Hidden Mass Confounds Science, Inspires Revolutionary Theories

http://www.space.com/scienceastronomy/astronomy/cosmic_darkmatt_020108-1.htm=

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Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - II - Velez

From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 14:53:04 -0500
Fwd Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 02:21:53 -0500
Subject: Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - II - Velez

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg@houston.rr.com></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - II - Oberg
>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 08:33:53 -0600

>>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers >>Sent: Sunday, January 13, 2002 12:48 PM
>>Subject: UFO UpDate: What Did Apollo 11 Crew See? - II

>>Collins: No, it looked like a hollow cylinder to me. It didn't
>>look like two connected rings. You could see this
>>thing tumbling and, when it came around end-on, you
>>could look right down in its guts. It was a hollow
>>cylinder. But then you could change the focus on the
>>sextant and it would be replaced by this open-book
>>shape. It was really weird.

>>Aldrin: I guess there's not too much more to say about it >>other than it wasn't cylinder.

>>Collins: It was during the period when we thought it was a
>>cylinder that we inquired about the S-IVB and we'd
>>almost convinced ourselves that's what it had to be.
>>But we don't have any more conclusions than that
>>really. The fact that we didn't see it much past this
>>one time period - we really don't have a conclusion
>>as to what it might have been, how big it was, or how
>>far away it was. It was something that wasn't part of
>>the urine dump, we're pretty sure of that. Skipping
>>head a bit, when we jettisoned the LM, you know we
>>fired an explosive charge and got rid of the docking
>>rings and the LM went boom. Pieces came off the LM.
>>It could have been some Mylar or something that had
>>somehow come loose from the LM.

>I've got some cool photos of S-4B stages drifting away from the >CSM/LM, if somebody wanted to post them somewhere folks could >inpsect them. The sunlit front end looks like a bright ring, >floating in front of the sun-glinted aft engine.

>Without earthlight to fill in the dark shadows, they look >nothing like the S-4B closer in low earth orbit. Bizarre -- so >much so that one Brit UFO magazine even took an image with the >front ring, blew it up and cropped it, and featured it on the >cover of one issue as a genuine Apollo UFO.

>Regarding other stuff flying by the windows, that was so common >the guys called them 'moon pigeons', and NASA even commissioned >a special investigation to analyze sightings to see which might >have any structural or safety implications. See:

><u>http://members.aol.com/moonpigeons/</u> for the whole report.

>Jim Oberg

Hello Mr. Oberg,

The good news for you is; the kind of entrenched denial and intellectual tunnel-vision that you suffer from is a completely _treatable_ disfunction. :)

This testimony from _our_ own astronauts is as compelling as it gets. None of the premature conclusions you can throw at it will minimize its impact. What we have here, in spite of your premature and pre-emptive attempt to explain it all away, is the deeply intriguing and credible testimony of three highly trained and highly skilled airmen and aeronautical engineers referring to what they observed in space as "weird".

I find it highly significant that such bright, competent and qualified people such as these are at such a loss for descriptive words that they are compelled to resort to terms like "weird" and "flying suitcases" when describing what they witnessed in space. You seem to be the only one that is ready to immediately pidgeon-hole and dismiss/explain away what the rest of us consider to be truly _compelling_ expert witness testimony.

No matter how fast you dance, or others may hate to admit it, what these gentlemen reported was; 'seeing a UFO'. As in, it remains an 'unidentified' flying object. Whether that 'thing' was 'alien' in origin or not is something we'll never know. That our astronauts reported seeing a 'UFO' is now beyond question. Regardless of NASA's consistent denials or your squirming, a UFO report is a UFO report. The bottom line is: NASA lied. There _are_ reports of astronauts witnessing a UFO. Period. (And nobody here is calling it an 'alien' craft.)

So, the language is clear, our astronauts _did_ report UFOs! Interesting stuff. Gee, I wonder why NASA waited all these years to release these records. Musta been out fear of all this wide spread panic, looting and wild speculation we're seeing now that it has finally been made public. :)

Brookings Institution Report my ass.

John Velez Speaking strictly for myself

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Re: Kinross Incident? - McCoy

From: **GT McCoy** <<u>gtmccoy@harborside.com</u>> Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:55:28 -0800 Fwd Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 02:12:05 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - McCoy

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>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 15:25:42 +0000

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Hello, all. Michel

I am curious, did any UFO reports exsist for that time period? Also, as I have pointed out in an earlier post the F-89C had some structural deficentices that could have contributed to the demise of the Aircraft.

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Ann Druffel Book

From: John Hayes <<u>webmaster</u>@ufoinfo.com> Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 19:24:48 +0000 Fwd Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 02:23:41 -0500 Subject: Ann Druffel Book

Ann Druffel wrote recently to say that her book, 'How To Defend Yourself Against Alien Abduction', published in August 1998 by Three Rivers Press/Random House, went out of print in a normal fashion, but can still be ordered from book stores, the publisher, etc. on a 'print on demand' basis. More and more books are becoming available on this basis since the invention of technology that makes it easy for the publisher to print them individually, in small orders, or in larger orders.

If anyone is having trouble procuring a copy, they can write to Ann personally and she will send them an autographed copy for a special price of \$9.50 (certified check or money orders only).

Ann's address is:

257 Sycamore Glen, Pasadena, CA 91105, U.S.A.

Overseas buyers would be advised to contact Ann first to confirm cost of postage.

Regards,

John Hayes

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
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>David (and Tom Carey please feel free to weigh in),

>Let me see if I've got this straight.

>Marcel accompanied real Roswell debris to Fort Worth.

>Ramey, knowing it was on the way, ordered up some ordinary >balloon debris to display in his office in its place.

>Where did he get this ready-made debris on such short notice? >After all, it's not likely that he could just turn to an aide >and say go out back of Hangar B and bring me back some balloon >(and presumably Rawin) debris. And make it pronto.

On the morning of July 10, a demonstration of a Rawin being launched was held at the Fort Worth base and covered by a photographer from the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. The caption of the printed photo indicates the purpose was (as in the other demonstrations held around the country) to debunk Roswell and the recent multitude of saucer reports.

So where did Ramey get the Rawin for this demonstration? Supposedly none was at the base.

In addition, an entire radar tracking trailer is shown in the background of the 3 photos taken. That too wasn't supposed to be at the base, according to weather officer Irving Newton.

So where did the radar trailer come from?

Either these items were already at the base or they were brought in specifically for the debunking demonstration.

Despite proclamations to the contrary, Mogul wasn't the only group using the Rawins. If they weren't at the base, one could have been flown in quickly from some nearby location that did use them. This was the Air Force after all.

Nearby locations known to have used the Rawins were White Sands, Kansas City, and Fort Sill, OK. Fort Sill would be less than an hour by plane; White Sands and Kansas City 2 hours.

The balloon could have come from anywhere. Hundreds were sent up everyday from weather stations all over the country. Fort Worth would have had them too. Or, it could have been brought in along with the radar target. And if the weather balloon story was pre-planned, then Ramey would have had even more time to get his Rawin and balloon act together.

>In fact, if he needed some local stuff, you'd think the person >he would have ordered to produce it would be - you guessed it >- Irving Newton.

Newton was a forecaster and didn't handle the weather equipment. He made that very clear to me. Balloons were launched by others. (In fact, he surprised me by stating that he had embellished his story for the press back in 1947 by claiming that he had personally launched hundreds of the Rawins when overseas. Not true, he said, others did the launchings--he used the data. He "exaggerated" back then because it made for a better story.)

>Just for the record, what do you and Carey think that stuff is >on Ramey's floor? And where do you think it came from?

For about the hundredth time, Dennis, I think the stuff on the floor is an aluminum foil and balsa wood radar kite with a weather balloon. I'm not with RPIT and their goofy stuff about this being real saucer debris -- got it?

I can't tell you where Ramey got this stuff from (not even Dubose knew that when asked). However, I can give you some good arguments that this probably wasn't from Mogul.

Mogul #4 (supposedly the crash object according to debunkers) consisted of about 2 dozen neoprene balloons, 3 radar targets (though there is zero evidence that it actually had any radar targets), and assorted payload and altitude control equipment.

1. Instruments: There are no instruments of any kind pictured in the photos. Marcel and Cavitt report recovering no instruments (except for a little black box Marcel said Cavitt found). In 1947, Ramey went on the radio and stated that there were no instruments recovered. With no instruments, what exactly links the Rawin and balloon to Mogul? The debris is indistinguishable from an ordinary Rawin weather balloon.

2. Quantity of debris: Again despite assertions to the contrary, there is insufficient debris to make up even one radar target (e.g., the stick lengths computed by some photoanalyst for the AF came up with less than half the sticks required to make up one complete Rawin). Ramey or his people also repeatedly referred to the debris as a singular balloon and target. A quote of Ramey's from United Press in an evening edition of a west coast newspaper on July 8 (which went to press before Irving Newton ever came in) has Ramey stating that it appeared to be the "remnants of a weather balloon and radar reflector." UP also quoted Ramey that night as saying that a _part_ of a balloon was found nearby.

Irving Newton in 1947 also referred to the debris as coming from a singular balloon/reflector (as did the FBI telegram). When I asked Newton in the present day whether there was more than one balloon or radar target, he told me definitely not. He thought the debris came from a regular Rawin weather balloon.

So where is the multi-balloon, multi-radar target Mogul? Again, there is nothing here to clearly link the debris to Mogul in any way.

3. Condition of debris: The balloon at Ramey's feet has obviously been previously inflated (there are obvious stretch marks) and looks aged and uneven in color, but it is still too pristine and obviously pliable to have been a balloon that laid out in the desert for a month. The sun deteriorated the neoprene balloons to a brittle, flakelike status within about 2 to 3 weeks, as testified to and demonstrated repeatedly by Charles Moore of Mogul. The balloon in Ramey's office, however, appears to be relatively intact or at least in a few large pieces.

One interesting aspect of J.B. Johnson's earliest testimony was his statement about the strong odor he immediately noticed when he walked in Ramey's office. A balloon left in the desert sun should not have had an odor after a month (the solvents in the neoprene would have evaporated, the reason why the balloons got brittle to begin with.) Here again, the odor suggests this balloon hadn't weathered all that long. As to the radar target, the white backing paper still looks very white. None of the target looks weathered at all, even though it should have been through a few N.M. summer thunderstorms after a month (weather records, e.g., show thunderstorm activity on July 2 and July 4). Instead, it looks like a relatively pristine radar target that somebody decided to shred a little bit.

There is nothing here at all to link this singular balloon and singular Rawin to Mogul. It is instead a standard singular balloon/radar target combination.

>Moreover, what about that brown wrapping paper on the floor? >Didn't that come from Roswell? Why wasn't the real stuff simply >wrapped back up in the paper it came in and sent on its way? >That would be the expedient thing to do, assuming time was at a >premium.

The part of the brown wrapping paper comes from Robert Porter, who accompanied Marcel on his flight.

However, if you examine Porter's testimony, he states that the _largest_ wrapped package was triangular and only 3 feet on a side. (A few more were shoebox size.)

The paper on Ramey's floor, however, extends for approximately 12 to 15 feet (it is piled up to the right and in uncropped photos shows an additional 4 or 5 feet of paper along the right edge). This is far more paper than needed to make up Porter's package.

The paper also lacks the expected folds and crumpling one would expect of a triangular package. Porter's triangular package was sealed with tape, but there is no tape, and no tearing of the paper, as one would expect if tape was pulled off.

Instead, the paper is almost completely smooth. It looks like the broken up radar target may have been loosely rolled up inside this paper (hence the lack of folds), or the target came in something else and was dumped on the paper already laid out on the floor.

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>Hi Dennis, List, All -

>If you don't mind me weighing in here, let me point out that I >think Ramey could, actually, turn to his aide and say get me >some balloon debris... and no, given the timing and the fact >that Newton was off-duty in the afternoon, they wouldn't have >called him.

Kevin,

Don't mind you weighing in at all... in fact, I welcome it.

>I asked Newton about this. If he would know where to find the >balloon and rawin target and he said yes, so I presume that the >other weather officers would know. Newton suggested Lawton, OK, >think Fort Sill, home of the Artillery... the balloons and >target would have been used by them for artillery practice. Or, >even Roswell because the balloons and target were used in atomic >testing and Roswell had been the logistical center for Operation >Crossroad.

Well, yes, I suppose. But why would Lawton, Roswell, or anyone else have on hand old balloon and rawin debris? Is this something they routinely recovered or saved, and, if so, for what?

>And yes, it would have been no trouble for Ramey, a general, to >order one of the balloons and targets brought to Fort Worth, >assuming that nothing he needed was available locally. So, I >have never had a problem with his locating and retrieving a >balloon and target to display on the floor.

>Krandle

And why would Ramey order up these materials in the first place? The original press release referred only to a recovered disk; it was only much later that any detailed descriptions were given.

Ramey could have shown reporters a piece of tin in his office, and no one would have been the wiser. So why go looking off-base for something he could have ordered hauled out of the trash heap at Carswell?

In other words, he could have shown and told reporters *anything* and they would still have bought the story, as they had no further details to go on.

So why go to any special trouble of ordering up a flight of balloon and rawin debris from Lawton or anywhere else, when he had no compelling reason to?

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

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>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

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>>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 21:17:36 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>>Finally, Ramey's teletype message, held in his hand while
>>Johnson was taking pictures, states that the next sent out press
>>release was going to be about weather balloons. The fix was in
>>before Newton ever arrived on the scene. He was brought in
>>strictly for show at the very end.

>David,

>The message held in Ramey's hand is unlikely to be a teletype >message.

Well think about the situation first, Neil. Would Ramey be sending out updates by mail or using electronic communication for speed?

>The mechanics and instruction set of the teletype machines used >back then did _not_ include commands able to generate the line >feed mis-alignments observed in the text layout.

I honestly don't know what you mean here. What mis-alignments are you referring to specifically? This was a mechanical impact printer, not a laser printer, where everything comes out perfectly aligned.

Misalignments in such printers are completely normal. Letters aren't always exactly in line. Cases in point: check out Frank Joyce's UP teletypes from July 8 or the FBI teletype of the same day.

On top of this, the paper isn't flat. There are creases and bends and warps in the paper and the letters are simply going to "follow the terrain" in the projected image. The letters may thus appear to dip below or rise above the others in the line but really aren't. We don't have the original piece of paper to flatten out.

There is additional variable in here as well. We are looking at the image of the message on a photographic emulsion, not a piece of paper. Emulsions can warp and stretch and tear, causing additional misalignment. I don't think this is as important as normal impact printer misalignment or terrain warp, but may be a factor. (E.g., there appears to be a small vertical tear in the emulsion at the top just right of center.)

>The teletype
>machines only had a LF command which incremented the paper by
>one _full_ line at a time, there was no command to reverse this,

>if you sent LF you were stuck on the next line down the paper.

>Unlike computers that originally represented text using an 8bit >(now 16bit) code, the poor old teletype was ham-strung by >adopting early on a _5 bit_ code for all it's text and very few >control functions.

>The Ramey Message shows _partial_ line feed mis-alignments both >down the page and then in the _reverse_ direction back up the >page.

Again, I really don't know what mis-alignments you are referring to or why they can't be explained more economically by normal impact printer mis-alignments and curvature in the paper.

>This _cannot_ be done with a vintage 1940's mechanical >teletype, I have a 1960's mechanical teletype and it cannot do >this action. Taking this into account I can only personally >conclude that the Ramey Message was the output from a _manual_ >typewriter and the mis-alignments generated by the paper being >wound out, and then back in, inaccurately, while a typing error >was corrected.

>Neil

Needless to say, I totally disagree with you and think you are drawing the wrong conclusion here.

Evidence that I think supports a teletype conclusion includes:

- 1. The time element: Ramey would be communicating electronically for speed.
- 2. All capital letters No need to use all caps when using a typewriter, but no choice on a teletype machine.
- 3. Look carefully along the right edge of the paper and you'll see indications of regularly spaced sprocket holes.
- 4. The words "ARMY CABLE" at the very top center (followed immediately to right in very large letters by maybe "BELL CBL"

David Rudiak

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u> Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 18:54:20 -0400 Fwd Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 02:48:11 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Ledger

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>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 01:52:28 -0500

>>From: Robert Boreham <<u>fatrob83@hotmail.com></u>
>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 15:25:42 +0000

>>>Would/could a cloud/bubble of methane gas reflect radar >>>emmissions back to the receiver? I ask for this reason. On more >>>than a few occassions aircraft have gone missing over the Great >>>Lakes. One of the more famous incidents is of course the USAF >>>F-89C out of Kinross AFB on Nov. 23,1953. The F-89C was observed >>>to merge with an unidentified target by Ground Control Intercept >>>[GCI] radar.

>><snip>

>>It wouldn't have to be methane. I saw a documentary on one of
>>the UK cable channels in which an entire village was killed-off
>>when a lake released a large amount of CO2, putting the
>>villagers to sleep and eventually suffocating them.

>>A similar discharge would stall the engines and render the >>pilots unconciouse. But, would it show up on radar?

>>How about a highly charged ionised gas cloud, as in the Earth
>>Lights theory? Surly that would/could stop the engines, as in
>>car stop cases, and affect the instruments/controls enough to
>>cause disaster?

>Funny how the facts of this case are biting you guys on the ass, >and still... you keep chomping at the bit.

>Another case of re-hashing... and re-appointing an alternative >explanation to a classic UFO incident.

Yeah, what's your point Michel? If you've got more than the sketchy info I have, then dish it up. I have my own reasons for eliminating other possibilities. Besides I haven't had a nice nibble on my ass for some time now. I take what I can get.

With love and affection,

Don Ledger

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Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Thu, 10 Jan 2002 15:25:17 -0800

>>>Interview with Former Roswell Weatherman Irving Newton:

<snip>

>>>Newton is _dead_certain_ that what was on the floor in Ramey's >>>office is what Marcel brought from Roswell.

>>The point is that he would not know, for certain, that it is
>>what Marcel brought from Roswell because he wasn't there when
>>the material arrived. This point, however, is important to Dr.
>>Johnson who makes the claim that some of the real debris was in
>>among the bits of the weather balloon debris.

>Yes, it is our contention that the debris on Ramey's carpet is >some of the actual debris brought from Roswell by Marcel and >that none of the debris is a RAWIN radar device.

I do not speak alone when I say that you guys are completely out to lunch on this, particularly your statement that _none_ of the debris is from a RAWIN radar target.

Do any of you guys even know how the things were constructed or what they looked like?

I can show you photos of the Rawins from that time period with the identical white paper backing to the aluminum foil wrapped around the sticks forming a straight white seam, just as you see in these photos. The sheets of foil paper made up triangles 2' x 2' x 2.8', again evidenced in the photos. The stick lengths and dimensions are certainly consistent with those used to make the targets.

>>>He says he has said this over and over for years to >>>interviewers, and especially Randle and Friedman have simply >>>ignored his statements.

>>This is blatant "Bondism". I have accurately reported exactly
>>what Newton told me and I have the tapes to back it up. I have
>>letters in which I have asked him for clarification of his
>>report and I have reported on that as well. There is nowhere
>>that I have ignored his statements, Dr. Johnson's allegation to
>>the contrary.

>These are Newton's words to Bond. Bond can't help that Newton is

>feeling ignored.

No, Bond is trying to spin the story to this definitely being the real Roswell debris and using Newton's hearsay, utterly worthless opinions about "definite" Roswell origins to back this up. Newton might have been _told_ the debris came from Roswell, but he couldn't _know_ from first-hand knowledge that this came from Roswell.

>>Newton seems to remember a few people in the office "taking >>notes". He assumed them to be reporters. He was not too clear on >>that point. It was not an especially momentous event for him. He >>said that Major Marcel was there and followed him around the >>office trying to get him to look at "some of the sticks" he was >>holding and to see the strange symbols on them that Marcel >>thought were "not of this world." He does recall seeing strange >>random figures on some of these sticks.

So not the balloon debris per se - the sticks.

>>Newton told me, and I believe it to be an important point, he
>>did not know Marcel and was introduced to none of the men in the
>>room he did not know. In other words, Newton has assumed that
>>the man asking the questions was Major Marcel, but Marcel has
>>said that he was ordered by Ramey not to open his mouth.
>>Therefore, Marcel was not the major asking the questions and
>>that officer was more than likely Major Charles A. Cashon,
>>Ramey's public affairs officer. (Newton didn't know him either.)

>Yes, this could be the case. nd interestingly, Dr. Johnson has claimed that he was the only >>reporter to go to Ramey's office and speak with him, newspaper >>reports and other evidence to the contrary.

>When Bond took the photos, there were no other reporters in the room. >Do you have evidence that there were others?

Yes, after he left, when he was no longer in the room. There is no way Bond Johnson could know what happened in Ramey's office either before or after he was there. So how does he conclude there couldn't possibly have been reporters who followed him?

>>Colonel DuBose

>>(later brigadier general) said that there were four or five >>reporters in the room asking questions. Since DuBose would have >>known the officers present, all of whom would have been in >>uniform and thereby identifying themselves as officers, those >>DuBose thought were reporters were in civilian clothes and >>unknown to him. Given the circumstances, it's clear that these >>men were reporters, some of whom worked for radio stations. Dr. >>Johnson has confirmed for us that other reporters did, in fact, >>interview General Ramey, contrary to what Dr. Johnson now >>claims.

>Who were those reporters? What is your evidence?

Evidence? How about:

- 1. The photo of Newton taken by a civilian wireservice agency.
- 2. Three witnesses (Newton, Dubose, Marcel) all independently reporting multiple reporters.
- 3. Quotations from Newton reported by Associated Press and United Press.

>>Finally we have this last little bit of invention in an attempt
>>to confirm that some "real" debris was in the room. In no other
>>interviews had Newton ever suggested he remembered strange
>>figures on the balloon.

>I don't dispute this but that doesn't mean that he didn't say >this to Bond.

Newton's more recent claim is that he saw figures on the sticks and Marcel tried to convince him they were unusual. Perhaps the term "balloon" is being used a little too loosely here?

<snip>

>>>And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in

>>>the Ramey/Dubose photos?

>>This is an obvious result of the different angles from which the >>photographs were shot and nothing more.

>Maybe and maybe not. Careful inventory and description of all >material in all photos would settle this question.

I agree with Kevin Randle. The Newton photo uses a camera angle pointed to the left, showing the leftmost side of the brown paper with debris on top and misses a little bit of the debris to the right and out of the frame. It also does not show most of the debris below the paper and closest to the camera. The Ramey/Dubose photos has the camera further back, pointed more centrally, showing the complete collection of debris left and right plus pieces "below" the paper and closest to the camera. It's just a matter of camera angle.

The larger triangular piece with the stick attached being held by Col. Dubose while seated in the central chair is now more to the left and being held in Newton's left hand. Marcel also has hold of this larger piece with an attached stick. Newton has grabbed one of the smaller pieces from the left side and is holding it in his right hand.

Material has been moved around a little bit, but it's just looks like ordinary posing for pictures.

I agree that a careful inventory would be very useful (in fact, I am working on this now). So why the wild rhetoric from your side of the aisle that the debris has been removed in the Newton photo and thus "sanitized"? I see zero evidence of this. It just more nonsense about how this obvious radar reflector debris represents real saucer material.

<snip>

>>>Conclusion:There are three people known to be living who
>>>actually saw and touched the Roswell debris: Jesse Marcel, Jr.,
>>>Irving Newton and J. Bond Johnson. Marcel recalls his father
>>>telling him that at least _part_ of the debris in Ramey's office
>>was the "real stuff." Newton is _dead_certain_ that the debris
>>on the floor of Ramey's office was the "real stuff" that Marcel
>>>brought from Roswell. Johnson, after carefully and at length
>>>interviewing Kevin Randle, Stan Friedman, Bill Moore, Jamie
>>>Shandera, Philip Klass and other 'Roswell experts', has been
>>unable to unearth _any_ evidence whatsoever to support _any_
>>>"switch" of the "real stuff." The "balloon switch" story must
>>>have been pure fabrication of some of the Roswell writers!

>>>--James Bond Johnson, Ph.D.
>>Phone-con With Irving Newton 8/15/98
>>>Date: 98-08-15 20:24:22 EDT

>>In conclusion, this is the same sort of nonsense that Dr.
>>Johnson has been spouting since he decided that he handled the
>>"real debris." While Irving Newton is certain that the material
>>on the floor is the stuff brought from Roswell, he has no way of
>>knowing that, other than what he had been told. On the other
>>side, General DuBose said that the debris had been switched,
>>Jesse Marcel, Sr. told reporter Johnny Mann, after examining the
>>pictures taken by Dr. Johnson, "This is not the stuff that I
>>found in New Mexico," and Jesse Marcel, Jr., after examining the
>>pictures said that the stuff bore a gross resemblance to the
>>debris he had seen, but it was not the same stuff.

>If the material on Ramey's carpet is not the material from >Roswell, then what is it? It's not a RAWIN.

Yes, it definitely _is_ the remains of a RAWIN target! Everybody but RPIT people clearly see that. It's aluminum foil with white paper backing part of the balsa stick framework

>If it's not a RAWIN, what is it?

No need to speculate here, since it is a RAWIN.

>Where is your evidence that it is a weather balloon, >other than the story of a switch.

Why don't you give Irving Newton a call and ask him? I'm sure he

will give you an earful. This is one thing on which he can speak with authority since he was a weather officer and also saw and commented on the debris at the time. (He identified it as a weather balloon and Rawin target, and continues to do so today.)

Maybe you should also study the engineering diagram of the Rawins and look at the photos of identical Rawins.

>Why not take a close look at >the photos and try to determine just what is on the carpet?

I have. It's a Rawin target.

>The only hard evidence we have are the photos.

The only hard evidence of what Ramey allowed reporters to see, not necessarily what was found at Roswell.

>Your disagreements with Bond are irrelevant to the main issue: >what is the nature of the debris?

Aluminum foil, paper backing, balsa sticks, and a rubber balloon

>Why are you so reluctant to participate in an in depth >discussion of these photos?

Nobody is reluctant. I know that I am tired of wasting my time on the patently obvious, and I suspect other people are as well.

>You and I both agree that Marcel didn't misidentify and then >carry a weather balloon and radar target from Roswell to FW. We >both agree that the Roswell debris that Marcel found was very >unusual and probably "alien". Our main disagreement is whether a >radar target and weather balloon were substituted for the debris >that Marcel carted to FW. If that's the case, you should be able >to identify the type of target and balloon.

The debris is consistent in dimensions and quantity with part of an ML-307 model radar target. The balloon would be a neoprene rubber balloon, probably 350 mg, the standard lofting balloon for these targets. But that's a little hard to tell, since it's just dumped in a heap on the floor.

>And the other debris

>on the carpet should be easily identified as being from some >mundane assemblage of objects that we'd expect the General would >have readily available for the substitution. These include I >beams, various wires and connectors, and many other parts and >gizmos that are not normally associated with passive weather >balloons and radar reflectors.

There were metal eyelets for the support twine and some small metal connectors and hinges for the balsa sticks. Conceivably those might be found somewhere in the photos.

However, I have looked over some very high resolution images and have yet to see anything out of the ordinary here. I had hoped maybe some "real" debris might have inadvertantly been left, but I have never seen anything like that. It's just torn-up foil/paper and some stick framework of a Rawin target.

David Rudiak

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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>To Kevin, List, All:

>>Nice to see Bond Johnson still trying to peddle his, 'I
>>Photographed A Flying Saucer', tale yet again. Sort of
>>comforting. Must mean it's a new year. Hold on. Let me check my
>>calendar. Yep, it's 2002. Does it at least once a year, no
>>matter how many times it's shot down, or how silly he looks. The
>>"Little Engine That Could".

>Tom,

>In your haste you might not have noticed that (a) Bond wasn't >the person who posted the piece and (b) the piece itself is >dated 1998!.

Neil, List, All:

You are right. I did not pay as much attention to the posting details as I did to the fact that I was reading J. Bond Johnson's 'new version' as fact yet again. Seemed to me that it keeps popping up in different venues with a fairly regular frequency - this time by proxy. That's what I was reacting to.

>>Last year, against my better judgement, I engaged in a private >>debate with one of the RPIT members - he shall remain nameless ->>about Bond Johnson and the Ft. Worth photographs. A score or >>e-mails were exchanged between us before, as expected, the RPIT >>member tossed out the "Randle edited the tapes", charge. My >>guess - without hearing the tapes - was that extraneous talk >>that had nothing to do with the main topic under discussion >>might have been excised for economy's sake. To others - and no >>doubt this was the intended impression - it conjures up images >>of cutting and splicing different answers to different questions >>that had been asked on the tape in order to alter intended >>meanings. Not a good thing.

>>Attempting to get to the bottom of this charge - as I had heard >>it several time before - I asked my RPIT member what exactly had >>been "edited". Were the 'edits' at the paragraph, sentence, >>word, morpheme or phoneme level? He claimed to have heard the >>tapes, so I expected an informed reply. However, like the >>chess-player who sees check-mate coming with the next move, he >>simply ran and hid. I never heard from him again.

>>As with Roswell debunkers, there is a double standard at work
>>here. Pro-Roswell investigators must dot every possible 'i' and
>>cross every possible 't', or it doesn't count as evidence, while
>>the debunkers - please don't refer to them as 'skeptics' - can

>>throw out stuff, have it shot down, then throw it out again and >>again. As long as there is one, last, thin reed to cling to >>- even if it's only in their own mind - the debunker will hold on >>to the point of silliness. When that reed gives way, rather than >>concede, they run away and hide.

>In the final analysis, what Bond Johnson did or did not say to
>Kevin in the phone interviews (and yes I do have a copy of
>Kevin's tapes) has to be settled between the two parties
>involved.

I hope that you are not holding your breath. It's in JBJ's self-interest that it not be resolved.

>But before we get sidetracked by this debate go back >and check out the details given by some major Roswell witnesses >and see how those have changed over time, ie Jesse Marcel >arrived back at RAAF late in the evening of the 8th according to >early interviews with Bill Moore _yet_ we now accept the later >details where he woke up his son around 1-2am.

You are comparing a slight modification to an account based upon the memories of two people that maintains its integrity to a totally opposite account of the same event given by the same witness. I don't think so.

>I'm not trying to be an apologist here, but merely pointing out >witness testimony _has_ changed and no doubt will continue to do >so. Bond Johnson is _not_ _alone_ in refreshing his memory of >events when given the time to think through 40 year old >recollections, I sometimes think some researchers expect total >recall on demand and take exception when it doesn't happen, but >it just doesn't work that way.

His drastic change of story goes beyond the refreshing point.

>Bond Johnson has one major contribution, and _ only_one_ in the >Roswell Story and that _is__not__ his testimony to the events >(though interesting enough). It's simply the set of pictures he >took in Ramey's office that afternoon and which provide us with >an actual frozen moment in time from the event we're still >debating 50+ years later.

Right.

>And remember the pictures don't rely on fuzzy memories, they >tell the same story they bore witness to the day they were >taken.

>Neil

Right again, although I wish certain parts of the pictures were a little less fuzzy.

Tom

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>David (and Tom Carey please feel free to weigh in),

>Let me see if I've got this straight.

>Marcel accompanied real Roswell debris to Fort Worth.

Right.

>Ramey, knowing it was on the way, ordered up some ordinary >balloon debris to display in his office in its place.

Somebody ordered it. It just didn't appear by itself.

>Where did he get this ready-made debris on such short notice? >After all, it's not likely that he could just turn to an aide >and say go out back of Hangar B and bring me back some balloon >(and presumably Rawin) debris. And make it pronto.

How do you know? Maybe he did. We will probably never know for sure at this point. All we can do now is speculate where it might have come from. I believe that Kevin thinks it might have come from local stock at Ft. Worth. Bob Durant believes that it might have come from Alamogordo, and I believe that it came from Roswell on the Marcel flight [along with some of the real stuff].

>In fact, if he needed some local stuff, you'd think the person >he would have ordered to produce it would be - you guessed it >-Irving Newton.

>Just for the record, what do you and Carey think that stuff is >on Ramey's floor? And where do you think it came from?

A deteriorating neoprene balloon and an off-the-shelf radar target.

>Moreover, what about that brown wrapping paper on the floor? >Didn't that come from Roswell?

Yes.

>Why wasn't the real stuff simply >wrapped back up in the paper it came in and sent on its way? >That would be the expedient thing to do, assuming time was at a >premium. >Dennis Stacy

I'll be sure to ask Ramey and DuBose the next time I talk to them.

Tom Carey

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Still Looking For Marshall Lee

From: A. J. Gevaerd <<u>gevaerd@ufo.com.br></u> Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 07:45:24 -0200 Fwd Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 09:23:10 -0500 Subject: Still Looking For Marshall Lee

Dear List Members:

I wonder if anyone on UFO UpDates can help me find information about Marshall Lee, who I believe is an American UFO researcher, lecturer and author. Apparently, he just published a book about the Varginha Case in the US. Does anybody know him and/or have any reference about his work? Any e-mail address or website?

Thanks!

A. J. Gevaerd, editor Brazilian UFO Magazine

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk> Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 11:20:02 +0000 Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 06:38:19 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 17:30:17 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 10:41:00 +0000
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads</u>

>>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Sat, 12 Jan 2002 21:17:36 EST
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>The message held in Ramey's hand is unlikely to be a teletype >>message.

>Well think about the situation first, Neil. Would Ramey be >sending out updates by mail or using electronic communication >for speed?

David,

Electronic of course, but again what type of electronic and what were the procedures. The US Army Signal Corp had been having kittens since WWII that their teletype network like the wireservices networks sent all their traffic in clear text, stick a couple of croc-clips across the line, hook it to a slave printer and you could read everything a base was sending and receiving, _not_ a secure system what with the frost coming in from the East. So throughout the late 40's they strove to find a bolt on encryption system for their teletypes.

A successful system was only implemented in the early _1950's_ up until that time only non sensitive traffic was allowed on the military teletype networks. So up until the early 1950's _anything_ of a sensitive/security nature would be sent via RT (radio telegraphy - Morse code) after being hand encrypted with the code of the day out of the current handy dandy secret code book. The original message was either hand or type written and then submitted to the encryption section who manually encoded the message into the usual 5-letter code groups which were then typed out on coding sheets, these then went off to the radio shack for transmission.

At the receiving end the radio shack took down the message in code groups onto a coding sheet, this was then submitted to the encryption section for decoding, the message was then _typed__out__ in decoded clear text ready for submission to the party it was addressed to. I have seen this method of communication referred to as "secure RT" in documents of the period, ie " report by secure RT".

A further reason for the push to automate the encryption system was all the man-power the manual system tied up and it was a time consuming process but they stuck with it until they were happy with the encryption teletypes which as I have said were only introduced in a program which ran from aprox 1950-51 through to 1955. A few test installation were in place prior to this but they were not assumed secure and were for experimental/testing use only.

>>The mechanics and instruction set of the teletype machines used >>back then did _not_ include commands able to generate the line >>feed mis-alignments observed in the text layout.

>I honestly don't know what you mean here. What mis-alignments >are you referring to specifically? This was a mechanical impact >printer, not a laser printer, where everything comes out >perfectly aligned.

Exactly, these were mechanical printers that only did a very limited range of operations, they only fed the paper one way, and then a line at a time.

>Misalignments in such printers are completely normal. Letters >aren't always exactly in line. Cases in point: check out Frank >Joyce's UP teletypes from July 8 or the FBI teletype of the same >day.

>On top of this, the paper isn't flat. There are creases and >bends and warps in the paper and the letters are simply going to >"follow the terrain" in the projected image. The letters may >thus appear to dip below or rise above the others in the line >but really aren't. We don't have the original piece of paper to >flatten out.

Look at Line 2 from the centre fold to the right hand edge.

Word one is obviously on the curve of the crease but words 2,3 and 4 show a consistent line of text, if you use this as the mean text line level and project a line along the bottom level of the text to the right you will immediately notice word 5 and word 6 (TO and THE) _are_ _not_ on this meal level, TO descends way below the mean level and though THE recovers somewhat, it is still below the mean line level. Further we are not referring to odd letters here but whole word groups being displaced _together_. These are not whole line displacements but sub-line, teletype machines of that vintage didn't do feeds of less than a whole line and then in only one direction, the feeds here go down the page and then up and both in sub line spacings.

>There is additional variable in here as well. We are looking at >the image of the message on a photographic emulsion, not a piece >of paper. Emulsions can warp and stretch and tear, causing >additional misalignment. I don't think this is as important as >normal impact printer misalignment or terrain warp, but may be a >factor. (E.g., there appears to be a small vertical tear in the >emulsion at the top just right of center.)

The part line of text see directly above this displaced text shows no such distortion, I would have thought that as we are dealing with the emulsion on such a micro scale as with the Ramey message the effects of such distortions would have been seen there too and I would have also felt that such distortions would have worked on a letter by letter basis _not_ neatly as here, in _word_ _groups_.

>>The teletype
>>machines only had a LF command which incremented the paper by
>>one _full_ line at a time, there was no command to reverse this,
>>if you sent LF you were stuck on the next line down the paper.

>>Unlike computers that originally represented text using an 8bit
>>(now 16bit) code, the poor old teletype was ham-strung by
>>adopting early on a _5 bit_ code for all it's text and very few
>>control functions.

>>The Ramey Message shows _partial_ line feed mis-alignments both
>>down the page and then in the _reverse_ direction back up the
>>page.

>Again, I really don't know what mis-alignments you are referring >to or why they can't be explained more economically by normal >impact printer mis-alignments and curvature in the paper.

>>This _cannot_ be done with a vintage 1940's mechanical >>teletype, I have a 1960's mechanical teletype and it cannot do >>this action. Taking this into account I can only personally >>conclude that the Ramey Message was the output from a _manual_ >>typewriter and the mis-alignments generated by the paper being >>wound out, and then back in, inaccurately, while a typing error >>was corrected.

>>Neil

>Needless to say, I totally disagree with you and think you are >drawing the wrong conclusion here.

>Evidence that I think supports a teletype conclusion includes:

>1. The time element: Ramey would be communicating electronically
> for speed.

But also consider the security question, ie Blanchard's widow recalled to Stanton F that Blanchard had said they thought some of the marking on the debris could be Russian, if correct, would this not immediately class the matter as a security issue?.

- >2. All capital letters No need to use all caps when using a > typewriter, but no choice on a teletype machine.
- >3. Look carefully along the right edge of the paper and you'll
 > see indications of regularly spaced sprocket holes.

Most teletype machines _didn't_ use tractor feed ie, sprocket holes, they used roller feed as per a typewriter and plain roles. Roles could be obtained as single copy or multiple copy with interleaved carbon paper. I still have some of these in the loft for my old Creed 7B machine.

Many machines also used punched paper tape as a compact recording medium or intermediate storage format.

- >4. The words "ARMY CABLE" at the very top center (followed
- > immediately to right in very large letters by maybe
- > "BELL CBL"

Well we do differ on the reading of the text.

Neil

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Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 09:19:42 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 06:42:05 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 15:08:41 -0600
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 09:32:58 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

>>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 21:29:51 -0600
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

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>>Hi Dennis, List, All -

>>If you don't mind me weighing in here, let me point out that I >>think Ramey could, actually, turn to his aide and say get me >>some balloon debris... and no, given the timing and the fact >>that Newton was off-duty in the afternoon, they wouldn't have >>called him.

>Kevin,

>Don't mind you weighing in at all... in fact, I welcome it.

Hi Dennis -

Thanks.

>>I asked Newton about this. If he would know where to find the
>>balloon and rawin target and he said yes, so I presume that the
>>other weather officers would know. Newton suggested Lawton, OK,
>>think Fort Sill, home of the Artillery... the balloons and
>>target would have been used by them for artillery practice. Or,
>>even Roswell because the balloons and target were used in atomic
>>testing and Roswell had been the logistical center for Operation
>>Crossroad.

>Well, yes, I suppose. But why would Lawton, Roswell, or anyone >else have on hand old balloon and rawin debris? Is this something >they routinely recovered or saved, and, if so, for what?

I would think that, at Lawton, you could easily send out a bunch of enlisted men who would search for just this sort of debris, if you needed them to do that. This sort of debris wouldn't be saved, but I think you could find it fairly easily... if you needed a degraded balloon.

On the other hand, a brand new, out of the box rawin would do fine because all you had to do was rip it up. The neoprene balloons discolored if you looked at them wrong. Charles Moore showed me one that he had kept in the box for many years and even in that state it was slightly discolored. >>And yes, it would have been no trouble for Ramey, a general, to
>>order one of the balloons and targets brought to Fort Worth,
>>assuming that nothing he needed was available locally. So, I
>>have never had a problem with his locating and retrieving a
>>balloon and target to display on the floor.

>>Krandle

>And why would Ramey order up these materials in the first place? >The original press release referred only to a recovered disk; it >was only much later that any detailed descriptions were given.

Ah, but the second story, that appeared in the Roswell Daily Record, the one that all debunkers are so fond of, gives a description of the material. You have to match the debris with the description and cover all the bases just in case some reporter decides to ask a couple of new questions.

>Ramey could have shown reporters a piece of tin in his office, >and no one would have been the wiser. So why go looking off-base >for something he could have ordered hauled out of the trash heap >at Carswell?

Actually, he couldn't show them just anything because when he brought in Newton, the weather officer wouldn't have been able to say, "Hey, that's a weather balloon and radar reflector..." or something like that.

>In other words, he could have shown and told reporters
>*anything* and they would still have bought the story, as they
>had no further details to go on.

Actually, he couldn't show them anything because someone might have gotten cute and attempted to identify the *anything*. With the weather balloon he has the bases covered.

>So why go to any special trouble of ordering up a flight of >balloon and rawin debris from Lawton or anywhere else, when he >had no compelling reason to?

Actually, the special flight was already ordered and I think one of the compelling reasons was to get Marcel the hell out of Roswell. And, contrary to what Tom wrote, I think the rawin and balloon came from Roswell. Robert Porter, who went to Fort Worth on the flight with Marcel described materials being handed up, into the cockpit that sound suspiciously like the radar reflector and the balloon envelop. Porter mentioned a package wrapped in brown paper that was triangular, about three or four feet on a side. This sounds just like a folded up rawin target... which also accounts for the brown paper on Ramey's floor that is visible in the photographs.

Porter also talked of a couple of wrapped boxes that were very light weight, which could have contained the balloon envelop. So, I believe that we have compelling evidence that the balloon and target were brought from Roswell, we have compelling evidence to suggest that such material would be available in Roswell based on their participation in the Pacific atomic tests, and, if Ramey ordered the material from Roswell to show reporters, we have fairly compelling evidence of a coordinated effort. Any reporter who followed up would have been able to follow the track and if he had found the balloon explanation lacking would have to admit that all the pieces fit.

But remember, Colonel Dubose said that the material displayed on General Ramey's floor was a weather balloon cover story designed to get the reporters off their backs. And remember that Jesse Marcel, Sr., when shown the pictures taken in Ramey's office told reporter Johnny Mann that it wasn't the stuff that he had recovered in New Mexico. And, remember that Jesse Marcel, Jr., said that the debris in the photographs bore a gross resemblance to what he had seen, but that it wasn't the same stuff.

So, the balloon and rawin would selected because they could be found, there was precedent established by the Circleville, Ohio, case, and it bore, in a gross sense, what had been found in New Mexico. All this seems to demonstrate a coordinated effort to get a balloon and rawin into Ramey's office for the reporters (including J. Bond Johnson) to see. One last thing based on my experience as an Army Aviator... we tended to use our aircraft as others used their cars. We thought nothing of taking a helicopter on a trip that could have been accomplished by a truck or an automobile. I have no problem with Ramey using his assets in a similar fashion.

KRandle

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Public Memo To James Oberg

From: Moderator UFO UpDates ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:02:17 -0500Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:02:17 -0500Subject: Public Memo To James Oberg

To: James Oberg From: Errol Bruce-Knapp Date: January 16th, 2002

James,

Why, despite having been sent a copy - or two - of the UFO UpDates Posting Rules, do you persist in submitting posts for the UFO UFO UpDates List that ignore the rules?

You have had submissions returned to you, un-posted, together with quotes from the Posting Rules - which you have chosen to ignore.

UFO UpDates is a free service - I get paid nothing for running it and all that I ask is that you abide by all the Posting Rules. You don't.

Therefore, if future messages from you don't conform to the Posting Rules I've included, and updated to make them even clearer, below, your submissions, again, will not be passed on. I simply don't have the time to continually clean up mis-compiled messages.

Errol Bruce-Knapp, Moderator UFO UpDates - Toronto

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A subscription does not automatically mean a message you submit for posting will appear on the List.

UpDates is a free service - you pay nothing. In return, if you do choose to post to the List, you are asked to abide by the following:

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1. Do _not_ use the 'formatted text' features of your e-mail program. No colours, no fancy fonts, no italics or bolding, no fancy quoting designs or html styling. Plain ASCII is what UpDates uses. Messages that are not plain text will not be posted.

2. Line-length

Please make your lines no more than 65 characters long

-----This line is 65 characters-----

Longer lines are wrapped by various pieces of software along the Net and leave awkward and eye-jarring line lengths.

3. Attribution

When responding to a message from the List, _always_ include the four line 'header' from the body of that message at the start of _your_ message - eg.:

>Date: 15 Jan 02 00:00:01 EST
>From: Subscriber <<u>subscriber@mukluk.com></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Grays are Grey Area

Again - it's at the beginning of the 'body' of the message you are responding to and below the UpDates headers.

4. Quoting

Always quote from the message to which you are responding.

Quotes should come _before_ you key your response.

Start each quoted line with a 'greater-than' sign (>) as the first character. It should look like this:

>Start each quoted line with a 'greater-than' sign (>) as the >first character. It should look like this:

No spaces before or after the '>'

Please remove the '>' from blank lines.

Keep quoted material from previous messages to a minimum: Just quote enough text to let people know what you are referring to.

Messages that do not conform to the required quoting protocol or contain excessive quoting will not be posted to UpDates.

Most modern E-Mail software will allow the user to click a 'Reply' button and automatically open a new window, with the message being responded to inserted with universal quote-mark (>) at the beginning of each line.

When 'Reply' is clicked, some E-Mail software will insert a line which reads:

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If your program does this, please remove it - UFO UpDates did not _write_ the message - it merely passed it to the List.

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Secrecy News -- 01/15/02

From: **Steven Aftergood** <<u>saftergood@fas.org></u> Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 11:56:38 -0500 Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:06:23 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/15/02

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DO DECLASSIFIED BIOWEAPON DOCUMENTS POSE A THREAT?

The New York Times reported on January 13 that the U.S. government offers for sale hundreds of declassified documents that amount to "cookbooks" for manufacturing biological weapons, prompting calls for reclassification of the documents.

But while the sensational storyline of irresponsible government officials declassifying sensitive secrets and endangering public safety is irresistible, there are reasons for skepticism and for opposing a knee-jerk response.

To begin with, the "cookbook" metaphor is misleading. A regular cookbook will enable you to bake a cake, more or less well. But it is difficult to reduce the manufacture of biological weapons to a "recipe" since it involves the kind of tacit knowledge that cannot be readily captured in a technical report.

Moreover, the technologies involved in production of biological weapons -- from the growth of bacterial cultures to the milling of desired particle sizes -- overlap to a significant extent with technologies used in non-weapons research, including various medical and industrial pursuits.

This means that attempts to classify or reclassify information about such technologies could be illusory or futile.

"The techniques used for drying and stabilizing bacterial products are not proscribed or arcane science," said George C. Smith, a microbiologist who writes The Crypt newsletter on security policy. At the same time, he said, "The 'art' of doing it for specific microorganisms, or very dangerous products of them, is a complicated matter that cannot easily be completely defined by a scientific paper."

Smith did not dismiss the possibility that the documents cited in the New York Times might be truly sensitive, but he cautioned that no such determination could be made based on the titles of the documents alone, no matter how inflammatory they might seem.

"The best assessment might be made by people with an exacting knowledge of the hands-on work," he suggested. "There is a misperception, I think, that only people who have worked in classified programs have this acumen."

Significantly, some of the best informed scientists stopped short of endorsing calls for blanket reclassification and urged a more measured response. "I don't think how-to manuals should be out there," said Ronald M. Atlas, president-elect of the American Society of Microbiology. "But if it's information that has dual purposes and can protect public health, it should be released," he told the New York Times.

See "U.S. Selling Papers Showing How to Make Germ Weapons" by William J. Broad in the January 13 New York Times here:

http://www.nytimes.com/2002/01/13/national/13GERM.html

See The Crypt Newsletter homepage here:

http://sun.soci.niu.edu/~crypt/

CONTROLLING BIOLOGICAL WEAPONS RESEARCH

New restrictions on particular historical documents concerning biological weapons may or may not turn out to be necessary. But current and future biological weapons research poses policy challenges that are far more complex.

"The potentially catastrophic consequences of a biological attack call not only for improved preparedness to mitigate the effects of such weapons, but also for robust measures to impede their development, acquisition, and use," writes Gerald L. Epstein, now of the Defense Threat Reduction Agency.

"Our ability to deny access to these weapons, however, is fundamentally limited," Epstein says in a newly published analysis.

"Much of the relevant equipment is in widespread commercial use and internationally available; the pathogens involved can typically be found in the environment; and the underlying research and technology base is available to a rapidly growing and thoroughly international technical community."

"This means not only that a sophisticated adversary willing to devote sufficient time and resources to developing biological weapons is likely to succeed, but that policy measures to frustrate such developments are likely to affect many legitimate activities outside of the ones they are intended to address."

"At the same time, however, not all those who contemplate developing biological weapons will be sophisticated, patient, or rich. Increasing the difficulty and the visibility of any attempt to acquire such weapons -- particularly by a less capable or less committed actor -- is potentially valuable."

Epstein carefully examines the competing interests affecting proposed restrictions on access to pathogens. And he explores the need for, and feasibility of, controls on what he terms "contentious research," referring to biological or biomedical research that could have immediate weapons implications.

"Controlling Biological Warfare Threats: Resolving Potential Tensions Among the Research Community, Industry, and the National Security Community" was just published in Critical Reviews in Microbiology, vol. 27, no. 4 (2001). It is not currently available online.

RECLASSIFYING DECLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS

The question of whether documents, once declassified, can be or should be reclassified has been asked on a number of occasions over the years, and then answered in different ways.

Nuclear weapons information, once declassified, cannot be reclassified, according to the Department of Energy's interpretation of Section 142 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2162). (DOE officials sometimes finagle this restriction by withholding the declassified information as Unclassified Controlled Nuclear Information.)

Under President Reagan, officials were permitted to reclassify declassified information and documents under certain conditions. This authority was exercised on numerous occasions, but these do

not seem to have been publicly reported. See Section 1.6(c) and (d) of President Reagan's Executive Order 12356:

http://www.fas.org/irp/offdocs/eo12356.htm#reclass

President Clinton permitted reclassification of declassified information only if it had not been officially released to the public. Once it was officially released it could not then be reclassified. See Section 1.8(c) and (d) of President Clinton's Executive Order 12958, which remains in effect today:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/clinton/eo12958.html#reclass

A review of this executive order is now underway by the Bush Administration and may include consideration of expanded authority to reclassify declassified information.

FAS has urged that any such reclassification authority be narrowly circumscribed and that agency proposals for reclassification actions be subject to independent approval or rejection by the Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel.

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 17:16:25 -0600 Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:09:21 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 15:36:40 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>For about the hundredth time, Dennis, I think the stuff on the >floor is an aluminum foil and balsa wood radar kite with a >weather balloon. I'm not with RPIT and their goofy stuff about >this being real saucer debris -- got it?

David,

Got it! Glad to see we're on the same side of at least one issue here.

>I can't tell you where Ramey got this stuff from (not even >Dubose knew that when asked). However, I can give you some good >arguments that this probably wasn't from Mogul.

>Mogul #4 (supposedly the crash object according to debunkers) >consisted of about 2 dozen neoprene balloons, 3 radar targets >(though there is zero evidence that it actually had any radar >targets), and assorted payload and altitude control equipment.

>1. Instruments: There are no instruments of any kind pictured in >the photos. Marcel and Cavitt report recovering no instruments >(except for a little black box Marcel said Cavitt found). In >1947, Ramey went on the radio and stated that there were no >instruments recovered. With no instruments, what exactly links >the Rawin and balloon to Mogul? The debris is indistinguishable >from an ordinary Rawin weather balloon.

>2. Quantity of debris: Again despite assertions to the contrary, >there is insufficient debris to make up even one radar target >(e.g., the stick lengths computed by some photoanalyst for the >AF came up with less than half the sticks required to make up >one complete Rawin). Ramey or his people also repeatedly >referred to the debris as a singular balloon and target. A quote >of Ramey's from United Press in an evening edition of a west >coast newspaper on July 8 (which went to press before Irving >Newton ever came in) has Ramey stating that it appeared to be >the "remnants of a weather balloon and radar reflector." UP also >quoted Ramey that night as saying that a _part_ of a balloon was >found nearby.

Has anyone ever suggested that what was displayed in Ramey's office was supposed to be everything recovered outside Roswell? Weren't these samples simply to be displayed at a press conference? In other words, what's quantity got to do with it?

>Irving Newton in 1947 also referred to the debris as coming from >a singular balloon/reflector (as did the FBI telegram). When I >asked Newton in the present day whether there was more than one >balloon or radar target, he told me definitely not. He thought >the debris came from a regular Rawin weather balloon. >So where is the multi-balloon, multi-radar target Mogul? Again, >there is nothing here to clearly link the debris to Mogul in any >way.

See above. What does the _quantity_ of debris in Ramey's office have to do with the quantity of debris at the original crash site?

Moreover, why did Ramey order up a weather balloon and rawin radar reflector as his preferred cover-up material -- when he could have used virtually anything?

The original press release referred to a relatively intact disc stored in a rancher's shed. Marcel wasn't going to be able to testify otherwise, so who would have had the slightest inkling that what was shown on Ramey's office floor would bear at least some passing resemblance to what some witnesses later testified was found on the Foster ranch?

Did Ramey just 'luck out' by ordering up a weather balloon and radar reflector for display? Did he start out with a weather balloon, and say to himself, "No, that's not good enough, better throw in a wrecked rawin reflector, too. You know how the press are these days."

Fact is the press were in his side pocket in those days and he could have shown them _anything_. No particular (let alone urgent) need to fly in a balloon and rawin reflector from somewhere else, at least that I can think of. Especially since none of what he offered up as Roswell wreckage in any way resembled what was mentioned in the original press release. Regrettably, it's too bad that the press didn't ask better questions at the time, or we might know more than we do today.

<snip>

>There is nothing here at all to link this singular balloon and >singular Rawin to Mogul. It is instead a standard singular >balloon/radar target combination.

How many balloons and rawins should he have displayed in his office? He was showing samples of what was recovered. Has anyone ever suggested that _everything_ recovered outside Roswell was on display in Ramey's office that day? If so, it's news to me, though welcome if substantiated.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Deschamps

From: Michel M. Deschamps <ufoman@ican.net>
Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 00:25:28 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:12:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Deschamps

>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 18:54:20 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
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>>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
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<snip>

>>Another case of re-hashing... and re-appointing an alternative >>explanation to a classic UFO incident.

>Yeah, what's your point Michel? If you've got more than the >sketchy info I have, then dish it up. I have my own reasons for >eliminating other possibilities. Besides I haven't had a nice >nibble on my ass for some time now. I take what I can get.

Don,

I was targeting Robert Boreham who initiated the theory that Methane gas bubbles/cloud would be responsible for the radar return...the UFO which merged with the fighter plane back in 1953.

Methane bubbles are a bust!

Who are these people who are repeatedly re-hashing classic UFO cases and labelling them with alternative explanations?

What's next? Bring back the false notion that the CFS Falconbridge incident was nothing more than ice crystals in the clouds reflecting sunlight?

Robert Boreham doesn't know what he is talking about!

Sorry if my statement got mis-directed... somehow.....

Only my opinion,

Michel M. Deschamps

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>Well, Michel this is an incident that could be explained by some >rather prosaic means, if you call a large methane bubble >prosaic.

Hi GT,

It was my question to begin with - re. Methane bubble for which I still haven't received an answer. Noted Filer's File had mentioned an aircraft missing over Lake Michigan recently. No debris. Same thing with the F-89C and a couple of light aircraft - a piper Commanche if memeory serves out of Toronto enroute to Chicago, for one. If the hydrate theory works in the tongue of the ocean why not the possibility in the Great Lakes area?

Anyway, some of the folks have been coming up with some possibilities and Michel thinks I'm a debunker - where the heck that came from I don't know - and I still don't have an answer.

The F-89C suffered from the T-tail syndrome - wings blanking the tail surface in high angles of attack, if I remember correctly - as well as poor tail design.

I'm not likely to get an answer on this because there aren't too many bubbles of methane around to bounce radar off of.

The only report I have around the Kinross incident is the USAF's own reporting the facts as they stood then and the fact that the pilot and navigator were presummed dead.

Re: "I am curious, did any UFO reports exsist for that time period?" How tight a time frame are you looking in? I haven't been able to find anything for that day or the few days before or after. Larry hatch might have something in his *U*base.

Best,

Don

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630 Italian Sightings During 2001

The complete number of reported sightings of presumed UFO phenomena in Italy during the course of the Year 2001 is slightly higher than the total that we had estimated some weeks back.

In fact, 630 is the number of cases gathered and recorded by CISU "Italian sightings working group", which has issued a press release of the data relative to the recently ended twelve-month period.

As already and duly evidenced, 2001 saw a veritable wave of UFO sightings in our country, with a doubling in the number of reports with respect to the media over previous years. The wave was centered around the summer months (more than two-thirds of the cases) and particularly in August, having had an abnormal course in comparison with other Italian waves, which tend to occur during the autumn.

The monthly lists of cases have already been accessible for some time on the Internet Website of the C.I.S.U. at:

http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/casi0101.htm

as well as a monthly distribution at:

http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/mesi2001.htm

They will be updated during the next few days with data from December and with the new cases of the preceding months, received during recent weeks.

[Communication by Giorgio Abraini.]

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In light of its new quarterly frequency, the official journal of the C.I.S.U, 'UFO - Rivista di informazione ufologica' has obtained the assignment of an ISSN (International Standard Serial Number) code.

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which principally conducts research work on the politics of research and of scientific-technical information and is the office charged for the ISSN in Italy.

The Italian Center for Ufological Studies is the first Italian UFO association to have obtained the ISSN code for its own journal.

[Collaboration by Gian Paolo Grassino.]

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>Date: January 16th, 2002

>James,

>Why, despite having been sent a copy - or two - of the UFO >UpDates Posting Rules, do you persist in submitting posts for >the UFO UFO UpDates List that ignore the rules?

OK - this time you go too far! This is Oberg bashing, pure and simple! Moreover, I'll bet this is a selective application of your authoritarian so-called rules, and that you'd let that coffee-bush-banging Juan Valdez prance around in UpDates with line lengths reminiscent of the epics of Homer! Shame!

>You have had submissions returned to you, un-posted, together >with quotes from the Posting Rules - which you have chosen to >ignore.

Ha! Your rules are for the unwashed and the unlearned, and not for those of Mr. Obergs mighty 22 (long rifle!) rim-fire caliber! You should count yourself among the blessed that he posts here at all! Moreover, you should send the edits that you gladly perform back to him for final approval a second, or even third, time!

>UFO UpDates is a free service - I get paid nothing for running >it and all that I ask is that you abide by all the Posting >Rules. You don't.

Whiner! Dial 1-800-WAA-AAAA!

>Therefore, if future messages from you don't conform to the >Posting Rules I've included, and updated to make them even >clearer, below, your submissions, again, will not be passed on. >I simply don't have the time to continually clean up >mis-compiled messages.

Officious Scoundrel!

Your thin threat is seen for what it is, Mr. E-B-K (if that is your real name!)! Needless criticism of your ufological bet'ters intellectu'al! Ha!

Lehmberg@snowhill.com ~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected! "I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
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>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:39:08 -0800

>>Yes, it is our contention that the debris on Ramey's carpet is >>some of the actual debris brought from Roswell by Marcel and >>that none of the debris is a RAWIN radar device.

>I do not speak alone when I say that you guys are completely out >to lunch on this, particularly your statement that _none_ of the >debris is from a RAWIN radar target.

>Do any of you guys even know how the things were constructed or >what they looked like?

>I can show you photos of the Rawins from that time period with
>the identical white paper backing to the aluminum foil wrapped
>around the sticks forming a straight white seam, just as you see
>in these photos. The sheets of foil paper made up triangles 2' x
>2' x 2.8', again evidenced in the photos. The stick lengths and
>dimensions are certainly consistent with those used to make the
>targets.

David,

As one of those "out to lunch" who _did_ come out with the statement that _none_ of the debris was that of an ML307 can I here publicly say I could be wrong.

Over the last many weeks one of the RPIT members Andrew Lavoie a Canadian Engineering technologist has been using some 3D modelling software at his disposal to model the scene in currently one, of the Fort Worth photographs. With the aid of the software he is now getting size measurements of articles within the image with aprox 2% error. He has a set of material sizes given to him by Prof Charles Moore and taken directly from the intact ML307 he still has.

Here's the interesting bit, _some_ of the measurements clustered on _some_ of the debris _do_ fit within a few percent, but it seems many more _do_not_ and this includes many of the struts, some are out by 125% and more, also much of the edge tape seen in the pictures does not meet the size specs Prof Moore supplied.

So can I now downgrade my statement to " only some of the debris _may_ be from an ML307".

I still believe a significant portion of the debris remains unexplained, none of the debris that exhibits anomalies has provided measurements so far that match those of ML307 material. >>>>And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in >>>>the Ramey/Dubose photos?

>>>This is an obvious result of the different angles from which the >>>photographs were shot and nothing more.

>>Maybe and maybe not. Careful inventory and description of all >>material in all photos would settle this question.

>I agree with Kevin Randle. The Newton photo uses a camera angle >pointed to the left, showing the leftmost side of the brown >paper with debris on top and misses a little bit of the debris >to the right and out of the frame. It also does not show most >of the debris below the paper and closest to the camera. The >Ramey/Dubose photos has the camera further back, pointed more >centrally, showing the complete collection of debris left and >right plus pieces "below" the paper and closest to the camera. >It's just a matter of camera angle.

>The larger triangular piece with the stick attached being held >by Col. Dubose while seated in the central chair is now more to >the left and being held in Newton's left hand. Marcel also has >hold of this larger piece with an attached stick. Newton has >grabbed one of the smaller pieces from the left side and is >holding it in his right hand.

>Material has been moved around a little bit, but it's just looks >like ordinary posing for pictures.

>I agree that a careful inventory would be very useful (in fact, >I am working on this now). So why the wild rhetoric from your >side of the aisle that the debris has been removed in the Newton >photo and thus "sanitized"? I see zero evidence of this. It just >more nonsense about how this obvious radar reflector debris >represents real saucer material.

An example of "sanitization", in both Marcel images there is a piece of twisted material seen at Marcel's feet, this is best seen in MarceRight, where it can be spotted starting halfway across the bottom edge of the picture and running up diagonally about 30 degree to the left. The debris on show in both Marcel images approximates to roughly the bottom right quadrant of debris seen in the Newton image. Most of the debris seen around the twisted piece can be spotted in roughly the same position in this part of the Newton image, _but_ not the twisted piece. That piece of debris has a number of anomalies that single it out as none ML307 debris, it's thickness is far greater than any foil used in a radar target so much so that it shows clearly on one end a very neat right angled folded lip, it also has clearly defined raised /stamped markings.

This none target piece of debris is nowhere to be seen in the Newton shot even though it's associates in the Marcel shot are still evident.

>>If the material on Ramey's carpet is not the material from >>Roswell, then what is it? It's not a RAWIN.

>Yes, it definitely _is_ the remains of a RAWIN target! Everybody >but RPIT people clearly see that. It's aluminum foil with white >paper backing part of the balsa stick framework

>>If it's not a RAWIN, what is it?

>No need to speculate here, since it is a RAWIN.

David, the above piece of debris is clearly seen in the Marcel images without any digital enhancement, what part of a ML307 target was this?.

Also in the Marcel images cables can be seen to the rear of a beam section attached to a foil sheet, what part of a ML307 target was this?.

I too have images of ML307's from 1947/48 and also images of the ML307C Charles Moore still has, and the Army Signal Corp ML307 drawings. I _cannot_ resolve these items. I therefore have to conclude these items of debris, along with others I cannot resolve do not belong to an ML307 as the AF concluded. If you too cannot identify just these two items of anomalous debris then I cannot see logically how you can continue in your stance

Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

that _all_ the debris in the pictures is a radar reflector, because these two items and few others plainly say it's not.

The twisted piece of material with the fold I mention is aprox 1mm thick and as _both_ sides can be seen to be shiny and metallic in nature, due to the twist, there is no backing paper involved here to beef up the thickness.

<snip>

>However, I have looked over some very high resolution images and >have yet to see anything out of the ordinary here. I had hoped >maybe some "real" debris might have inadvertantly been left, but >I have never seen anything like that. It's just torn-up >foil/paper and some stick framework of a Rawin target.

Isn't 1mm thick foil sheet with right angle folds out of the ordinary enough? On an ${\rm ML307??}$

I'm not making this stuff up, go look and see for yourself in the Marcel Right image... it also has the cable loom that an ML307 didn't have.

Neil

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Psychic Ops

"Remote viewers" say the Feds have sought their help since 9/11. Might this explain all those "credible, nonspecific threats"?

By Geoff Gray

Earlier this month, Prudence Calabrese, a West Coast psychic, flew into New York on business. She had two meetings: One was a catered sushi lunch at an uptown hedge fund that had hired her, for about \$20,000, to predict this year's profit outlook. ("Their investors will be very happy.") The second, she says, was with agents from the FBI.

During the Cold War, the Pentagon spent millions training "remote viewers" to spy on Russian military targets. (The Soviets, of course, had their own psychics.) The program, called Stargate, was very controversial, very X-Files, and until funding was cut in 1995, completely classified.

Now some of the psychics connected to that program and others, like Calabrese, say that federal officials are calling upon them again. Lyn Buchanan, a former CIA remote-viewing trainer, says that since September 11 he has received requests for intelligence from three separate federal agencies. And Las Vegas-based psychic Angela Thompson Smith says she has been asked by the Feds (she won't reveal which ones) to help identify perpetrators of the World Trade Center attacks and the anthrax letters, and to pinpoint future terrorist targets.

What do remote viewers see, and how do they see it? Calabrese, 36, mentally visualizes her subject and blindly jots down "doodles" or "squiggles." Then she lists ten words that come to mind. Afterward, she sketches a more complete drawing -- "the big picture." She repeats this process three times, then compares notes with the other fourteen viewers in her firm. "It's about 75 percent accurate.", she says. "The data is always correct -- it's the interpretation that's off sometimes."

Before her meeting with the FBI, over coffee at the Algonquin, Calabrese shares some of her report. "It's not very pleasant," she says. "We see more attacks." As for the location -- no big surprises there. "We are all seeing the subway," she says, pulling out three sketches, said to be from three separate viewers, featuring giant wormlike objects snaking beneath crowded streets. The worms are circled: "That's the target." The cryptic diagrams include words like SNOW BANK. "That could suggest a season.", she explains helpfully.

A spokesmen from the FBI's New York Bureau won't confirm or deny Calabrese's alleged meetings. "We have 1,100 investigators

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here," says Joe Valiquette. "She could have met with anyone." In Washington, however, her name was more familiar. A former Justice Department lawyer said Calabrese's psychic findings, along with those of other remote viewers, have been looked at in the past, and in some cases, the information was "elevated up the channels".

The FBI does not use psychics as official sources, the lawyer says; it happens "under the table." After September 11, "the attorney general told us to think outside the box," says this person, who still works closely with federal law-enforcement officials. "This is definitely thinking outside the box." (Perhaps that explains why Calabrese's premonitions sound ever so slightly like Ashcroft's "credible but nonspecific threats".)

But critics wonder if Calabrese's marketing instincts have gotten the better of her. "I doubt she's making it up," says Paul H. Smith, a former military viewer, and now president of Remote Viewing Instructional Services. "But she's also, well, a little out there."

Indeed. On her Website:

http://www.LargerUniverse.com/

Calabrese claims to have had a vision of the World Trade Center attacks way back in 1997, with help from a source she refers to as "the Grey Dude", a three-foot-six-inch extraterrestrial who appears in her bathroom at night. So where's Osama bin Laden? It seems that the Grey Dude's guess is as good as anyone's.

From the January 21, 2002 issue of New York Magazine.

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>Errol Bruce-Knapp, >Moderator UFO UpDates - Toronto

Yeah - right! Here we go again. I've been there before myself Bubba, on another venue. How dare you, you inebriant of Gripple! You of all people should know that Jacques Oldbarge is not among those of us who must floow the rules. Haven't you noticed that by now?

Since his very first post toastie, I recognized that Jimmy Newburgh is one in a million, a man of means by no means. A mean man of means no less. And you, with your high fallootin attitood, bash this truthful, honest, forthright, self respecting, straight dealing, well intentioned, by the book (his) little man to a degree never in the his story of UpDates, have we seen before. (I think I runned on)

You, Mister Errol Bruce-Knapp, have sown your strips, shown your stripes... sorry. And they now show. Tiger, man eater, bleeder of NASA godfellows, goodfellows (hic)! Such disrespect. Such... such... such wait a minute.... I am so sorry! It was momentary Gripple insanity. I just got my brains back from the cleaner.

OK, OK, I said my piece, now I shall say my peace.

Good show, EBK! And forgive my momentary inebriatory confabulation of your intoberative insegrediousness, your Errol Bruce-Knapp shipness. And another thing... you owe me thirty-sven bucks! With interest, it's now up a \$37,209.42. Pay up. We know how much money you make doing that radio show and Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Mortellaro

doing this venue. And it a lot more than I gonna get for the sale of my book. So there!

I forgot the name of the voice in my head, so I'll just sign me,

Charley

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Re: Kinross Incident? - McCoy

From: **GT McCoy** <<u>gtmccoy@harborside.com</u>> Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 15:15:43 -0800 Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 15:11:06 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - McCoy

>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 01:39:05 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?

>>From: GT McCoy <<u>gtmccoy@harborside.com></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:55:28 -0800

>>>From: Michel M. Deschamps <<u>ufoman@ican.net></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>>>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 01:52:28 -0500

>>>From: Robert Boreham <<u>fatrob83@</u>hotmail.com>
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net
>>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 15:25:42 +0000
><snip>

Hi all, Don.

>>Well, Michel this is an incident that could be explained by some
>>rather prosaic means, if you call a large methane bubble
>>prosaic.

I know that methane does exsist in the warm waters of the Gulf of Mexico, and there is some concern that large methane bubbles could erupt in the Altantic off the coast of the southern US. The Great Lakes are a Glacial era "artifact" (for lack of a better word) The bottoms of the lakes are the result of the scouring process of Glacial movement. They also are pretty cold, this could contribute to methane preservation or even formation, who knows?

>It was my question to begin with - re. Methane bubble for which >I still haven't received an answer. Noted Filer's File had >mentioned an aircraft missing over Lake Michigan recently. No >debris. Same thing with the F-89C and a couple of light aircraft >- a piper Commanche if memeory serves out of Toronto enroute to >Chicago, for one. If the hydrate theory works in the tongue of >the ocean why not the possibility in the Great Lakes area?

I seem to remember the 'Swamp Gas' theory - wasn't that to counter the Michigan sightings of the 60's by none other than Dr, Hynek? Swamp Gas is Methane. Judging from the Peat Bogs and Marshes, (even from decaying biological matter under the water) in the north country, Its entrieley possible that a Methane Bubble could have formed and caused the demise of the F-89C. I'd like to see and article or abstract about the possiblity myself. But The Hydrate Theory would have placed a large amount to methane in the lakebed.

<snip>

>The F-89C suffered from the T-tail syndrome - wings blanking the >tail surface in high angles of attack, if I remember correctly - >as well as poor tail design.

>I'm not likely to get an answer on this because there aren't too >many bubbles of methane around to bounce radar off of.

Yeah, I hear you, if we did - with what passes for Global Warming now would pale in comparason.

>The only report I have around the Kinross incident is the USAF's >own reporting the facts as they stood then and the fact that the >pilot and navigator were presummed dead.

And the cold water not condusive to letting the bodies float, either. fresh water is several degrees less buoyant that salt water. Also, if they hit the water hard, there might not be any big pieces to see. and those that survived, probably went straight to the bottom.

>Re: "I am curious, did any UFO reports exsist for that time >period?" How tight a time frame are you looking in? I haven't >been able to find anything for that day or the few days before >or after. Larry hatch might have something in his *U*base.

I was thinking the same week-before and after the incedent. Larry may well have something.

But, having been in and around machines that fly, I know _any_ thing can happen- the real Murphy of "Murphys Law" was an aeronautical engineer.

Regards,

GT McCoy

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Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 13:06:53 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 15:44:25 -0500
Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Velez

>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg
>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:32:14 -0600

>>From: Moderator UFO UpDates <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>To: James Oberg
>>From: Errol Bruce-Knapp
>>Date: January 16th, 2002

>>James,

>>Why, despite having been sent a copy - or two - of the UFO >>UpDates Posting Rules, do you persist in submitting posts for >>the UFO UFO UpDates List that ignore the rules?

Hello Alfred,

>OK - this time you go too far! This is Oberg bashing, pure and >simple! Moreover, I'll bet this is a selective application of >your authoritarian so-called rules, and that you'd let that >coffee-bush-banging Juan Valdez prance around in UpDates with >line lengths reminiscent of the epics of Homer! Shame!

See, you go and make fun of my grammatical handicap (in public) and you smother it in a cheesy racial slur, but if I say anything about the pink, lacy Victoria's Secret underwear all you poets are expected wear by the writers guild, then suddenly _I'm_ the bad guy!

>>UFO UpDates is a free service - I get paid nothing for running >>it and all that I ask is that you abide by all the Posting >>Rules. You don't.

Hey man, you told me that _everybody_ has to sleep with you in order to pay for being on the UpDates List! You lied to me. I will no longer 'love you long time' as I have been humiliatingly forced to do in the past. Do you have any idea how much conflict has been caused in my marriage by all those unexplained week-end 'sleep-over' trips to Toronto?

As for the diamond studded, (with the ornate UFO graphic) knee pads that you sent me for Xmas Errol... I won't be needing them any more - thank you very much!

Feeling insulted, dirty, and used,

John Velez ;)

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Filer's Files - 03-2002

From: George A. Filer <<u>WeeklyFiles@filersfiles.com></u>
Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 17:19:33 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 01:00:58 -0500
Subject: Filer's Files - 03-2002

FILER'S FILES #03-2002 MUFON Skywatch Investigations George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern January 16, 2002, <u>Majorstar@AOL.COM</u>. Webmaster Chuck Warren <u>http://www.filersfiles.com</u>,

UFOs were observed over New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Louisiana, Texas, Canada, Puerto Rico, Brazil, England, Scotland, and Spain. Sightings have picked up strongly since New Year's Eve.

SCIENTIST INVESTIGATES NORTHEAST SIGHTING REPORT

Dick Lions reports, "I have spoken at length with a scientist at the labs who believes we may be able to test whether my hypothesis of ionizing radiations being present in Charlene's sighting is possible. The irregular red glowing stove shaped object appeared about 20 feet in front of her car. The headlights of the car began to flicker, the radio she was listening to crackled then died. The engine stopped and she saw a red glowing almost translucent like a red glowing stove element, somewhat irregular shaped object that hovered ten feet off the ground. The object was irregular in shape, roundish but the edges were not well-defined and seemed to wobble or change almost like a cartoon animation. The object also seemed to be giving off sparks or something and maintained its position for five minutes, when it morphed into a pillar like shape, and shot straight up into the sky at incredible speed. (See Filer's Files #50)

First let me describe two possible methods of investigation to consider. The first has to do with the failed clock and CD player. If, as my theory would contend, their failure was due to penetrating radiations, then those radiations would likely have caused electric charges to become entrapped inside some of the semiconductor chips. The trapped charges disrupt normal transistor functions, and the chip then doesn't work. However, by heating the chip to just the right temperature, those trapped charges can then be "annealed out". If an inoperative chip in one of your devices could be made to function again by annealing it, that would be substantial proof that it had been exposed to ionizing radiation. Perhaps it's appropriate to ask here whether those devices are still inoperative, or whether they began working again? If either one is still inoperative they can be tested. The other line of investigation would be to test some exposed material for radioactive transmutati! ons. The fact that things inside the car were strongly affected implies the radiations were very penetrating. If those radiations were, for example, protons, then they would likely have caused transmutations of trace amounts of materials, particularly metals. Most of the transmuted material would be radioactive, and the presence of that radioactivity would be a positive indication of exposure. Unfortunately, though, most of the radioactivity dies away within a few days or weeks, and can then no longer be detected. However, if we're lucky, there may be some unusual material in something that results in radioisotopes with longer lifetimes, and there might still be enough of those left to detect. Electronic devices often contain lots of different metals (iron, aluminum, nickel, chromium, tin, lead, gold, etc.), so would be worth testing in

this manner. I should point out that the amount of radioactivity produced by the exposure would have been minuscule, so there would b! e no hazard in handling exposed materials. It takes an extremely sensitive laboratory setup to have any chance of detecting such small amounts of radioactivity.

If you sent us an inoperative clock or CD player, we could use it for both tests. First we would put it in a "counting chamber" for radioactivity analysis. That would take about a week. Then we would try to find an inoperative chip and do the annealing trick. Both of these are "long shots" insofar as finding something definitive is concerned. On the other hand, this is a rare opportunity to test a possible explanation, and a "hit" on either test would have great scientific weight in arguing the case. Do you think it might be possible to make one of those devices (or perhaps something else) available to us for such testing? A possible "something else," for example, might be the batteries in a flashlight or cellular phone (if you had one in the car at the time). Even though the phone may not have been affected, the materials in the battery may have undergone trace amounts of transmutation. If you did have a flashlight in the car and it was a metal one, we'd probably a! sk for it. If it were plastic, only the batteries would be useful. If you can think of anything else along that line that may have been present in the car, I'd like to hear about it. Thanks to Dick Lions.

Editor's Note: Many well-known scientists with credentials and awards read these files. Most choose to remain anonymous. Many complain their supervisors are not open minded. I have noticed an awakening-taking place concerning the possibility that the UFO phenomenon is real or at least worth investigating. Although, Earth Lights are a real phenomenon many reports of fiery plasmas appear to be part of the UFO cloaking or propulsion system.

NEW YORK OVAL LIGHT OVER LONG ISLAND ON NEW year's DAY.

NEW HYDE PARK -- The witness reports coming home sober at 5:00 AM on January 1, 2002, from a New Year's Eve party and saw a strange light in the sky. It was strange only because it was ascending in the sky next to another aircraft, which was obviously an airplane. The strange gliding light was ascending higher and was brighter then the airplane. In addition, this object appeared to be made of light and did not blink. When it stopped ascending, it changed its color from a white light to a brighter yellow light. It was in the western sky, which could mean it was flying right over NYC no more then 25 miles away. It flew at the same altitude for a few minutes, then did a small, barely noticeable zigzag movement, and then changed back to a white light color. A minute later it disappeared in the very clear night sky.

LONG ISLAND CITY -- On December 30, 2001, about midnight eight friends left a restaurant and stopped to look at the moon and stars. One witness reports, "What we were looking at started to dart and shoot all over the sky. There were so many! Some lined up in order and then just went off in their own direction; just to zip back and forth. Others looked like they were playing a game of cat and mouse. They were darting all over the sky for the longest time. They ran back into the restaurant and called the people to go out to see it. We were all in shock! Thanks to Peter Davenport Director NUFORC, www.ufocenter.com

NEW JERSEY FIERY RED LIGHT

VERNON -- A witness phoned to report seeing a huge fiery red light just above the trees over a field on January 16, 2002. She was driving south of Route 94 at 6:40 AM about five miles from the New York border when she saw the brilliant red light. It dimmed then moved to another spot in the sky where it became quite large again. She was very frightened and drove twenty miles over the speed limit to get away from the light. This area is part of the Appalachian Mountains and Earth Lights could be the cause of the fiery red light. The Vernon Police were notified and they mentioned they had received numerous reports of a light near the top of a mountain and both the police and Park Rangers were investigating." The witness was very upset by the incident. NORTH NEW JERSEY -- Another report stated, "My neighbor recently caught some video this week on two different nights. Although this may not be a UFO, it is very curious. The light is off in the distance, and seems to hover, when paused it has various colors and shapes. Thanks to Brian Vike Independent UFO Field Investigator/Researcher HBCC UFO Research yogibear@bulkley.net http://www.geocities.com/hbccufo/home.html

PENNSYLVANIA DARK SPIDER-SHAPED OBJECTS

WHITEHALL -- The witness and his mother saw two objects flying above Circuit City on January 2, 2002. The sun had just set at 5:00 PM when the witness's mother asked, "What are those? At first they looked like dark planes flying parallel to each other with no lights. The witness says, "I noticed the odd shape of the crafts. They were shaped like spiders, with a solid body in the middle and extensions from that in all directions. There were 4 or 5 extensions and no sound was heard, and there were no lights on the crafts and they were very dark in color. The unusual shape scared us both and I became fearful of terrorism by another country, and my mother ran into the store to get my dad. By the time they came out it was too far away to see. Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com.

OHIO TRIANGLE HOVERING NEAR FREEWAY CHRISTMAS EVE.

COLUMBUS -- The witness was driving east on I-70 late on December 24, 2001, when he saw a bright light hovering over the highway at 11:00 PM. As he drove closer, there were two lights 1500 to 2000 feet up and just sitting still. The witness states, "While going past it, I lowered my window and heard no sound but I could barely see the shape of a triangle." In the front, two lights were noticeable, one at one corner, and one at another. A third light was observed at the back (apex) that was much dimmer. It was not a helicopter, as I am an EMT. I had my CB radio on and didn't hear anyone else saying they saw it. Visibility was good and sky clear. It was about the size of my thumbnail

SALEM -- My sister was taking photos of a new pond that was constructed on my brother's property on December 28, 2001, located 1.5 miles out of the Salem city limits. She didn't see anything at the time, but when she got the pictures back from being developed, a saucer shaped object could be seen in one of the photos. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

MICHIGAN FLYING TRIANGLE

WILLIAMSBURG -- On December 27, 2001, at 10:40 PM, the witness had been snow plowing and I noticed an object in the sky with bright white lights and maybe 1 or 2 small red ones. When the witness got a 100 yards out, he stopped his vehicle to get a better look. The object was hovering and probably the size of a basketball court. The witness says, " In no more than 5 seconds it went from a dead stand still to an abrupt fast sprint forward and after a few seconds began to slow. I threw my truck in reverse and drove backwards somewhat parallel to the object, the horizon grew higher with trees, and I eventually lost it." He drove out to the main road, to a higher in elevation in only 20 seconds but it had departed. "The way the thing moved and looked, was nothing similar to any aircraft I have ever seen," he said. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC

WISCONSIN LIGHTS

MARSHFIELD/PITTSVILLE -- UFOWisconsin witness reports, "My friend and his son were coming home from Marshfield on January 9, 2002, and when they arrived they had told me that they had seen a lot of unidentifiable flashing lights in the sky and to go out on the roof and look. Two adults and two teenagers witnessed these lights from 7 to 7:45 PM. There were many small lights in the sky, each object seemed to have three colors red, yellow, green. There was no pattern to their travel. Some were moving very fast and then would stop and change direction rapidly. Others would be moving fast and then stop and the lights would dim very low. It was nothing I have ever witnessed before. They were flying much too close to be aircraft flying at different heights and speeds. Thanks to UFOWisconsin.com http://www.ufowisconsin.com/county/reports/r2002 0109 wood.html

OKLAHOMA BURNING UFO

MERRITT -- Jim Hickman reports that on January 8, 2002, a UFO was seen by two teenagers, a brother and sister, who were returning home at 8:40 PM. They were traveling down Merritt Road south of the town when they noticed what appeared to be a barn fire ahead of them. As they approached within 1/2 mile they observed that it was actually an object behind the barn. It was bigger than the barn and was emitting a "real bright" white/yellow/orange flashing light, which appeared to move upwards from behind the barn. The object then turned sideways with blue and red flashing lights in three rows around the outer edge of the object. The UFO was flying under 1000 feet in altitude, when if flew upward to a point near overhead and then dimmed till disappearing. No noise was heard and the object was in sight for several minutes. No electrical interference was noted, no missing time reported and the skies were clear. They noticed more red and blue lights in the road ahead, exactly! where the object had just been. This turned out to be an Oklahoma Highway Patrol car that had stopped a speeder. The officer didn't appear to have noticed the aerial object, which should have been in plain sight of the officer. A neighbor lady reports seeing the same object the night before. Note: As I was receiving this report by phone I noticed quite a bit of background clicking and unusual noises on the phone. The witness had just said the word "flying saucer" when the line just went dead. This happened at least 3 times during the conversation, each time just as UFO's were being mentioned. I went to my hard line phone and it did the same thing my cordless did. I have never had phone line trouble. Thanks to Jim Hickman Author, "5000 years of UFO's" MUFON Research Specialist for Media Operations <<u>http://www.thehickmanreport.com/</u>>

LOUISIANA CIGAR SHAPED CRAFT

JENA -- The witness was hunting from his deer stand at 5:30 AM on December 28, 2001. There was a very bright moon visible in the clear sky when he saw a falling star. A few minutes later in the north sky about 30 degrees above horizon he saw a cigar shaped craft moving very slow then stopping. The witness reports, "Then it moved very fast across the sky going up then down very fast and stopping again like it was looking for something. I used my gun scope to look at the craft it was a very long way from my but very shiny and long bright silver." Thanks to NUFORC www.ufocenter.com

TEXAS SEVERAL LARGE CRAFT SEEN

PASADENA -- On New Year's Eve the witness was driving west when he saw a second long elaborate fireworks display. He reports, "What I saw was a huge rectangular shaped object at least 300 yards long and 50 yards wide. It was vertical with several bright white lights inside a red rectangular outer rim." It was 350 feet in the air and probably over the city of Pearland, Texas, which is about 10 miles from where I saw the object. It was incredibly beautiful in the cloudy sky and I wish I could have observed it longer. I believe it was either a craft or a holograph. Even though it was New Year's Eve I had not been imbibing and was completely sober. Although after witnessing the event I could have used a good stiff drink.

DALLAS -- The witness was on an American Airlines Flight 1566 on December 31, 2001, from Dallas to Washington, DC. They took off at 2:15 PM and climbed above the clouds to 33,000 feet. To the northeast, the witness noticed a solid white round object flying several thousand feet lower, and thought it might be a bird or balloon. It seemed to over or float. The witness stated, "Eventually, it is directly in line with my window but at the same distance away. I surmise that at 500 mph, we have caught up with it, and it has not moved. I didn't see it move at that point. The white object then flies west, is still for a moment and then, shoots out in a diagonal of a northwesterly route and disappears in seconds into the horizon. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC, www.ufocenter.com

PASADENA -- On January 7, 2002, the witness's wife, and son were leaving a restaurant and noticed a group of lights in the sky. As they headed east on Spencer highway towards La Porte, they watched three lights, and the highest, "faded" a little and headed north rapidly, until we could not see it. The one on the south dropped lower and then "shot" south very fast and was gone at 7:15 PM. The middle one just hung there, moving only slightly to the left and right and up and down. It got brighter and then dimmer; it was yellowish in color with a hint of a red and blue shimmer. My wife suggested that it might be a helicopter with the searchlight, there were 13 or more aircraft all converging towards the light near La Porte field which only caters to personal aircraft. Thanks to Far Shores http://messenger.msn.com FarShores UFO News -

SPRING -- On Sunday, January 6, 2002, my sister saw a silver sphere in the sky around 2:00 PM, about twenty miles north of downtown Houston off I-45. She said it looked silver or metallic in color, and flew around in circles then suddenly disappeared. The next day, she took me outside at 3:00 PM, to show me where she saw it and there it was again in the same spot! I saw it this time, and my description is the same as hers. It is the size of a balloon at arm's length, but actually the size of maybe half of a Volkswagen. The object looked more round than any other shape. The UFO was flying haphazardly like a bird fighting the wind, but definitely wasn't a bird. The UFO made no sound and was flying at 1000 feet or lower on a clear blue sky. It was shiny like it was made of shiny metal. It was also seen in Pearland on Sunday, 30 miles south of us according to the local ABC News channel 13 here in Houston with video.

HOUSTON -- KTRK TV, reported some Pearland residents are still scratching their heads after spotting a strange object in the sky on Sunday. But was it a UFO? Rocky Flint captured images Sunday afternoon January 6, 2002, with his video recorder in Pearland. It appears to be a burning object in the sky. His wife, Cynthia, says it was hard to miss, "It resembled a floating fireball." The fiery ball appears to remain stationary for several minutes before moving downward and then disappearing. I've never in my whole life seen anything like it." Eyewitness News made calls to both airports and neither one could shed any light on the mystery. The Brazoria County Sheriff's Department also received some calls, but they couldn't find anything. Flint's husband has his own theory. He said that it looked like a UFO." We made another call to NORAD, the North American Aerospace Defense Command. They also failed to provide answers. Thanks to Scott Corrales, Institute of Hispanic ! Ufology. <u>skyblue789</u>@edistoelectric.net (Dwight Simkins Jan 07.02 URL: http://abclocal.go.com/ktrk/news/010702 news_ufo.html Video

CANADA DISK AND FLYING TRIANGLE

VANCOUVER, BC -- The witness was heading west on Barnet Highway while returning from Christmas dinner on December 25, 2001. At 7:30 PM, the witness noticed an object in the northeast. His wife confirmed seeing a triangular shaped flying object with green and white lights. It was not moving and was just hovering perfectly still. It was flying above the mountains, but they could not stop on the highway. The witness said, "We lost sight of the triangle through the trees in just under a minute."

VICTORIA, BC -- My wife and I observed a dark brown/black disk shaped object on December 31, 2001. It was moving above a 9 story high-rise at 11:20 PM, and was the size of a two-dollar coin held at arm's length. I was wearing my glasses, which are not a precise prescription and saw a dome on its top and a disk shaped underside that seemed to dip slightly back and forth while moving generally south. It tipped slightly at a forward angle. At the same time it swooped a few degrees to the left and back before resuming a straight course south. I called to my wife Leann, who came quickly. She also saw the dome on the top, but she thought it may have been a balloon. A few things seem to militate against it being a balloon: 1) it was moving very quickly and it was not windy (at least not at ground elevation) 2) it appeared to side 4) it was disk shaped and dark. Later, a fellow mentioned that he and some cowork! ers had seen the object at 11:30 AM. They were working a block to the west near downtown Victoria. His coworkers were looking at it with some degree of excitement, as they also were not certain what it was either but decided it must have been a balloon.

PUERTO RICO UFO

SUMMIT HILLS, SAN JUAN -- On January 4, 2002, the two witnesses, Magdalena Gotay standing on the staircase to her

house, saw a square flying object and Dr. Carlos Fern=Elndez a psychologist who was standing on the street in front of his house, perceived it as an oval. At 2:30 AM, they saw a flat dark gray metallic UFO with many yellowish lights fly over head. It was three times the size of an airliner heading south very slowly. It was moving diagonally and zigzagging up and down at an altitude of 2000 feet. It made a strange noise that they could not compare to anything else. It hid behind a cloud after 7 to 10 minutes and was not seen again. Thanks to www.ovni.net. Translation (C) 2001. Scott Corrales, IHU. Special Lucy Guzm=Eln,

BRAZIL ASTONISHING UFOs

PERNAMBUCO -- Unexplained lights, cigar shaped luminous objects, small points crossing space at prodigious speed have been seen along the coast, particularly in the municipality of Brejo da Madre de Deus. President of the Grupo Ufologico de Guaruj=E1 (GUG), Edison Boaventura took advantage of a transfer to Recife and collected reports from persons who saw UFOs. For example, Attorney Wilson Andrade Souza, a resident of Boa Viagem, claims he has seen UFOs on repeated occasions and speaks delightedly about his experiences. "My wife and I were standing on the porch to our house when we saw an object in the sky, resembling a cigar, surrounded by 20 smaller disc-shaped objects, flying in disarray. It was a beautiful sight," he states. Souza has also seen UFOs over the Guararapes Airport in the municipality of Cupira, 168 kilometers north of Recife. "Some employees on a ranch saw one land and disgorge little men who helped themselves to the guava trees." Boaventura's investigat! ions also included a complete sweep of Brejo da Madre de Deus, famous for being one of the most important archaeological sites of the Northeast, and will probably wind up being known as a UFO hotspot nationwide. Thanks to. Scott Corrales, Institute of Hispanic Ufology. Translation (C) 2002

ENGLAND MAN 'SEES UFO' DURING POWER CUT

WILTSHIRE -- Police were called by a Chippenham resident claiming he had seen a UFO at the same time as 4,000 homes were plunged into darkness by a power outage. The man, who lives in Park Lane, claimed he had seen low flying white, blue, red and orange lights on Wednesday, January 4, 2002. Homes in Chippenham, Pewsham, and Derry Hill were left without heat and light when the power failed at 7:30 PM. Southern Electric Company Engineers traced the fault to an underground cable caused by third party damage. Thanks to FarShores UFO News <u>www.100megsfree4.com/farshores/index.htm</u>, and Newsquest (Wiltshire) Ltd via Powermarketers.com /Jan 04.02

SCOTLAND UFO SIGHTING

PENICUICK -- Martin Rogan reports that he saw a ball of flames fly upward and disappear for the third night running at the exact same time in the exact same place. The sightings were on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, January 6, 7, and 8th, 2002 at 2:30 AM. Thanks to Dave Ledger <u>dledger@ufoscotland.co.uk</u>) UFO and <u>McDave@blueyonder.co.uk</u>.

SPAIN MULTIPLE SIGHTING

SEVILLE -- A=Flos Luz reports, a UFO was seen by a multitude of drivers along Seville's Route S-30 in the vicinity of Montequinto on January 8, 2002, at 15:15 hours (3:15 PM). The UFO was cylindrical in shape, with two whitish lights in its "bow" and "stern" respectively. It was metallic and wingless with two protuberance visible on its nose similar to a Concorde jet. Two other protuberances were seen on its aft section. It traveled toward Seville at such low altitude that it was perfectly visible. Its size was judged to be roughly that of a twin-propeller military helicopter. Thanks to. Scott Corrales, Institute of Hispanic Ufology. Translation (C) 2002 and Jose Roldan.

MARS FOLLOW THE WATER

Robert Roy Britt reports that's good advice. But hard to heed on such a dry and dusty planet. Mars now looks downright dead. Liquid water, if it exists, is probably a mile deep or more, scientists say. But there are two places where water is known to exist in mass quantities, right at the surface: The polar caps. Though summer melts a thin layer of carbon dioxide frost at the poles, a thick layer of mostly water ice remains. At the North Pole, the permanent ice cap is larger than Texas and more than a half-mile thick. Little critters, lathered in natural sunscreen and swathed in biological antifreeze, could be lurking just a few feet under the ice. These microscopic Martians might hibernate for months or even thousands of years, waiting for a brief thaw, a personal spring vacation. Other life could be doing the backstroke, or whatever microbes do in their spare time, in languid pools of water melted by subsurface volcanic activity, all just a few yards down. Though! they might sound a bit like fish tales, these ideas are growing in popularity among scientists who have explored similar extreme environments, and the so-called extremophiles that inhabit them, on Earth.

In the permafrost of Siberia, for example, a species of moss was found dormant but alive after 40,000 years. "Life survives and even thrives in a variety of icy microhabitats in Earth's polar regions," says Warwick F. Vincent, a professor of biology at Laval University in Canada. He and his colleagues recently discovered bacteria and even more advanced life in pockets of water below the icy surface of the Arctic. An obvious question follows for anyone interested in finding life on Mars: "If we're following the water ... why is there not a heavy search in the areas where we know there is water ice?" wonders Meredith Payne, an Arizona State University researcher. As NASA struggles to refocus its Mars program, one supremely logical mantra has emerged to guide the search for Martian life: The next robots that will explore the surface of Mars, one from the European Space Agency and a pair from NASA, are planned for 2003 and 2004, but are not targeting the Polar Regions. See www.filersfiles.com, Mars Rendered in 3-D Using Spacecraft

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Regards, George Filer

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net> Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 06:06:43 -0800 Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 08:01:16 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Hatch

>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 01:39:05 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?

>>From: GT McCoy <<u>gtmccoy@harborside.com></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?
>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:55:28 -0800

<snip>

>>Well, Michel this is an incident that could be explained >>by some rather prosaic means, if you call a large methane >>bubble prosaic.

<snip>

>Re: "I am curious, did any UFO reports exist for that >time period?" How tight a time frame are you looking in? >I haven't been able to find anything for that day or the >few days before or after. Larry hatch might have >something in his *U* base.

Hello Don:

If somebody will give specific dates and general location, I can look up whatever records I have and summarize those. A place name like "Kinross" is sometimes changed here to match the actual location of the incident, or to give a landmark closer to the events if over large bodies of water.

Best

- Larry Hatch

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From: John Hayes <<u>webmaster</u>@ufoinfo.com> Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 21:36:35 +0000 Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 08:09:19 -0500 Subject: UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 7 Number 3

Posted on behalf of Joseph Trainor.

<<u>Masinaigan</u>@aol.com>

UFO ROUNDUP Volume 7, Number 3 January 15, 2002 Editor: Joseph Trainor

YELLOW-ORANGE UFO SEEN BY TWO OVER VIENNA

On Friday, January 11, 2002, at 5:50 p.m., Herbert F.C. stepped outside his home in the Hietzing section of Vienna, the capital of Austria, and then he "saw the object heading heavenward. I heard several loud booms, and then I looked up and saw a bright yellow-orange light."

"At first I thought it was a passing airplane. And then out of it came several smaller lights. I called my son who was upstairs in his room. My 14-year-old son went to his window and saw 'something like a star' rising upward rapidly. A moment later, four more bright UFOs passed directly over our house. These lights hovered briefly and then departed to the north."

Herbert added that he contacted the Flugsicherung (Air Traffic Control) at Vienna's international airport, but the controllers "had no reports of UFOs on their radar screens at that time." (Email Form Report)

RETURN OF THE CHUPACABRA?

On Tuesday, December 25, 2001, at about 2 a.m., Angel Luis Ramos Dominguez heard the guinea hens squawking in his backyard chicken coop in Barceloneta, a town on Carraterra (Road) 681 and Highway 22 approximately 36 miles (57 kilometers) west of San Juan, Puerto Rico. Thinking nothing of it, Ramos Dominguez went back to sleep.

But when he checked the coop five hours later, at 7 a.m., the 72-year-old farmer "discovered that 27 guinea hens had been killed. All of the dead birds had two small puncture marks on the left side of the neck."

Ramos Dominguez calculated that "the mutilations took place around 2 .m. on Christmas Day." (See the 6:30 a.m. news broadcast on Radio NotiUno, 1320 AM, on the dial. Muchas gracias a Lucy Guzman y Luisseppe Quinones para esas noticias.)

UFO LANDINGS REPORTED IN NORTHERN BRAZIL

Residents of Cupira, a town in the state of Pernambuco in northern Brazil, have reported landings of disc-shaped UFOs in recent weeks. Townspeople have seen hatches open on the discs and witnessed the emergence of small humanoid creatures.

This is just part of the ongoing UFO flap occurring today in

Brazil's northern states of Paraiba and Pernambuco.

Brazilian ufologist Edison Boaventura said "he has also seen UFOs over the Guararapes Airport in the municipality of Cupira, 168 kilometers (105 miles) north of Recife," the state capital of Pernambuco. "Some employees on a ranch belonging to a friend of mine saw one land and disgorge little men who helped themselves to (the fruit of) the guava trees."

"Exotic-shaped objects have been reported by residents of the coast and the (Serra da Rosa) mountains, mainly in Brejo de Madre do Deus."

"There is something strange in the skies of Pernambuco. Unexplained lights, cigar-shaped luminous objects, small points crossing space at prodigious speeds, all have been seen along the coast, particularly in the municipality of Brejo de Madre do Deus," located 219 kilometers (131 miles) northeast of Recife.

(Editor's Note: This stretch of northern Brazil is known as the Sertao. The city of Recife is 1,050 kilometers (630 miles) northeast of Rio de Janeiro.)

"Some are sure that unidentified flying objects or UFOs are involved. In other words, saucers. Visitors from space? ETS? Borrowing the slogan from The X-Files...could it be that the truth is out there?"

"To Sao Paulo-based ufologist Edison Boaventura, the answer is yes. The president of Grupo Ufologico de Guaruju (GUG), Boaventura is also a respected (financial) analyst at the Banco do Brasil. He took advantage of a temporary four-month transfer to Recife and spent his free time collecting reports from persons claiming to have seen UFOs flying over the state."

"'In the Sertao (Northeast--J.T.) Pernambuco and Paraiba stood out for the number of (UFO) cases. Sightings are particularly intense in places near the beaches,' says Boaventura, showing an album with hundreds of UFO photos from all over the world."

"One of the witnesses interviewed by the ufologist was attorney Wilson Andrade Souza, a resident of Boa Viagem, who claims to have seen UFOs on repeated occasions and speaks delightedly about his experiences."

"'My wife and I were standing on the porch to our house when we saw an object in the sky resembling a cigar, surrounded by twenty smaller disc-shaped objects, flying in disarray. It was a beautiful sight,' he says."

"The oldest residents of the rural areas tell tales of fireballs racing through the sky over the city (Boa Viagem). When Edison Boaventura showed them his album, 'the majority of them pointed to an image of a UFO taken in Jalisco (Mexico) as very similar to the phenomenon being seen in their region.'"

"Dulce de Souza Pinto, director of the city's museum, lives in the bairro Barriguda (neighborhood) where she can see the 'torches'--a local name given by some to the fireballs."

"'At night people could wait on their porches to see them appear. They were blue and red torches, round, emerging from the top of the mountain range and darting quickly from one side to the other. After that, they would come closer and plunge suddenly,' she recalls."

"There are those who have claimed to have witnessed UFO landings, such as farmer Jose Antonio dos Santos. He told Dulce and the ufologist that he saw one (UFO) 'resembling a plate' descend on a boulder in the Serra da Rosa. He saw 'some legs' protruding from the thing and afterward saw a porthole open. He fired a shot with his rifle, and the disc took off."

"'The guy knew what a flying saucer was,' Dulce said." (See the Brazilian newspaper Diario de Pernambuco for January 10, 2002, "Astonishing UFOs visit Pernambuco." Muito obrigado a Scott Corrales, autor dos libros Chupacabras and Other Mysteries e Forbidden Mexico, e tambem Alberto Francisco do Carmo por esos casos.) UFO ACTIVITY CONTINUES NEAR MEXICO'S MOUNT POPOCATEPETL

Two new instances of UFO activity have been reported in the vicinity of Mount Popocatepetl, southeast of Mexico City.

On Saturday, December 29, 2001, at 10 p.m., a commercial aircraft passing over the city of Puebla, 200 kilometers (120 miles) east of Mexico City, encountered an oval luminous UFO.

According to Mexican ufologist Alfonso Salazar, the crew of the aircraft "radioed the control tower at the international airport in Mexico City, specifically asking about 'strange traffic in the zone.' The air traffic controllers responded that there was nothing unusual on the tower's radar screens."

On Tuesday, January 8, 2002, the robot TV camera monitoring volcanic activity at Mount Popocatepet1, a stratovolcano 5,542 meters (18,288 feet) high, "picked up the image of three UFOs rising from the summit. The UFOs were of an obscure color and they stood out against the clear blue sky as they hovered above the cone of the volcano. They remained in that position for several minutes, and then they vanished completely."

Mount Popocatepetl is located in the state of Morelos about 50 kilometers (30 miles) west of Puebla. (See Noticiarios OVNI for January 9, 2002. Muchas gracias a Alfonso Salazar para esas noticias.) (Editor's Comment: For years there have been rumors of an alien base inside Mount Popocatepetl, protected by the mountain's hot lava flows.)

RECTANGULAR UFO APPEARS OVER SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO

A UFO, described by witnesses as "square-shaped" or "oval," was sighted over the Summit Hills section of San Juan, the capital of Puerto Rico, on Friday, January 4, 2002 at 2:30 a.m.

The flyover was witnessed by two residents of Summit Hills--Magdalena Gotay, who was standing on the staircase of her house, and Dr. Carlos Fernandez, who was standing in the street in front of his home. Sra. Gotay described the UFO as "a square" while Dr. Fernandez described it as "oval."

Both described the night sky above San Juan as "clear, cloudless, with good visibility." The UFO, they said, "had yellowish lights surrounding it, but the lights did not cast any lights, nor did they light up the (immediate) area. The object appeared to be made of a flat dark gray metallic substance."

The witnesses said the UFO was "three times the size of an airliner if the airliner were traveling at the same altitude (height) as the object, some 2,000 feet (600 meters) up. It was moving from north to south diagonally and zigzagging up and down. They say that when it was over the mogote (karst hill--J.T.) located behind the Borinquen Towers apartment building," it began "heading southeast, passing directly over their heads. It hid behind a cloud after some seven to ten minutes and was not seen again. Its speed was very slow, slower than an airliner."

Both Sra. Gotay and Dr. Hernandez detected "an acrid, sulfur-like odor as it flew overhead."

"Magdalena Gotay awoke the next morning with a strong headache. She does not know if was related to the sighting." (Muchas gracias a Scott Corrales y Lucy Guzman para eso caso.)

UFOS REPORTED IN WISCONSIN

On Wednesday, January 9, 2002, at 7 p.m., four people in Marshfield, Wisconsin (population 19,300), a town on Highway 13 about 80 miles (128 kilometers) east of Eau Claire, spotted a formation of UFOs in the night sky.

"My friend and her son were coming home from Marshfield at approximately 7 p.m. and when they arrived, they told us they had seen a lot of unidentifiable flashing lights in the sky and to go out on the roof and look. There were four of us who witnessed these lights--two adults and two teenagers." "They were very small lights in the sky. Each object seemed to have three colors--red, yellow and green. There was no pattern to their travel. Some were moving very fast and then would stop and change direction rapidly. Others would be moving very fast and then slow, and their lights would dim very low. It was nothing I have ever witnessed before. They were flying much too close (together) to be regular airplanes or helicopters and were flying at different heights (altitudes) and speeds."

On Saturday, January 5, 2002, a witness in Waterford, Wis. (population 2,500), a small town on Highway 36 about 25 miles (40 kilometers) southwest of Milwaukee, reported, "I was sitting out by the farm areas with my son just north of Wind Lake when I saw something that was square-shaped. It stopped for about 30 seconds and then it started moving slowly and then it disappeared. I would have thought I was seeing things, but my son, who is 13, pointed it out to me." (Many thanks to Jenny Hoppe of UFO-Wisconsin for these reports.)

HALF-SPHERICAL UFO SIGHTED IN BILLINGS, MONTANA

"Unusual white lights were spotted hovering over the west end of Billings, Montana (population 90,000) Saturday," January 5, 2002 "at about 6 p.m." "A woman and her husband were in their pickup truck when they spotted a lighted half-spherical object hovering about 1,000 feet (300 meters) above 36th Street West. The object had one flashing light and hovered for about four minutes."

"'My husband knows airplanes, and he said, 'Those aren't any airplane lights1' As soon as he said that, it took off,' she said, 'Within two seconds, we couldn't see it. It was that fast. I don't know what to make of it.'"

"A Billings man who spends most of his evenings riding a bicycle in the downtown area said he spotted the flying object but thought it was just a fast aircraft." (See the Billings, Mont. Gazette for January 7, 2002. Many thanks to George A. Filer, editor of Filer's Files, for letting UFO Roundup use this news story.)

COLEMAN PURSUES LEADS IN 1967 MOTHMAN CASE

Cryptozoologist Loren Coleman returned home to Maine at the beginning of January following a field trip to the Ohio River valley in West Virginia. Coleman was investigating the famous Mothman case of 1967, which is soon to become a feature film, The Mothman Prophecies.

"A hideous creature called 'the Mothman' may soon be as well known as Bigfoot or the Loch Ness monster."

"The Mothman is a six-foot-tall creature with wings that haunts the town of Point Pleasant, West Virginia (population 5,000), usually appearing at or before a major disaster, such as a bridge collapse that killed 46 people" in December 1967.

"Locals are afraid to discuss the Mothman, but they may not be able to avoid it next month when a new movie, The Mothman Prophecies, opens in theaters."

"Mothman expert Loren Coleman speculated that media attention will turn Point Pleasant, W.V. into a paranormal tourist trap 'a la' Roswell, N.M. and create" more legends than facts.

"As a result, Coleman is trying to get Point Pleasant residents to 'spill the beans' about the Mothman before tourism changes everything." (Many thanks to Loren Coleman for this news release.)

We'll be back next week with more UFO and paranormal news from around the planet Earth, brought to you by "the paper that goes home--UFO Roundup." See you in seven days!

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Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 16:37:34 EST
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>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>From: Moderator UFO UpDates <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>To: James Oberg
>>From: Errol Bruce-Knapp
>>Date: January 16th, 2002

>>James,

>>Why, despite having been sent a copy - or two - of the UFO >>UpDates Posting Rules, do you persist in submitting posts for >>the UFO UFO UpDates List that ignore the rules?

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>_Good show, EBK!_ And forgive my momentary inebriatory >confabulation of your intoberative insegrediousness, your Errol >Bruce-Knapp shipness. And another thing... you owe me >thirty-sven bucks! With interest, it's now up a \$37,209.42. Pay >up. We know how much money you make doing that radio show and >doing this venue. And it a lot more than I gonna get for the >sale of my book. So there!

>I forgot the name of the voice in my head, so I'll just sign me,

>Charley

This situation calls for a true story. One which describes the nature Massa Oboy. Here it is, truer than the voices in my head.

Grampa was an old Sicilian man with very strong feelings. Unfortunately not too many of these opines were from his noggin. Grampa used to frequent the local shoemaker, so help me this is the gospel. The shoemaker was also Sicilian and Gramps would spend his days commiserating with him. And the shoemaker had some really weird opinions.

Gramps would come home and tell us that the moon was really made of mozzarella (not really) and damned if he would announce these factiods at dinner. Gramma would look at him, I would look at him, dad and my aunt would look at him, and he would say, "What!??" in Sicilian. The words are not for printing.

The next thing to happen would be to aks Gramps where or from whom he got this information. He would always answer the same way, in Sicilian, "The shoemaker told me!"

After some years of this, we never aksed Gramps again. Instead, one of us would comment, "Grampa, the shoemaker told you this, right?" And of course, he would answer in the affirmative.

Now ... and here's the kicker. One day Gramps came home from the

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shoemaker and announced that there was life outside the earth. This was not in consort with the usual folderol. And so we aksed him what brought him to that conclusion. His answer surprised us. First he said, "The shoemaker told me." But the next part was bizarre. He said, the shoemaker told him that people from other planets were kidnapping the inhabitants of our planet.

I was about nine years old at the time, and my family always trusted me in my judgment about my own experiences, but never really believed me. Sort of. Because mom, who is now mending thank God, would always look at me in what always appeared to me to be a knowing way. The implication always was that she understood.

The interesting part of this story is that not one member of our family that evening at dinner made a single utterance. They all just stared at Grampa and then at mom and then at me. And went back to dinner.

This was an historic first. There were always six people in our home. My two grandparents, mom and dad, an aunt and me. And never in the history of grampa's story telling did anyone ever not make a sound.

To this day I find this interesting in the extreme. And it was mom who reminded me of it. Before surgery, as she was waiting to be wheeled into the operating theater, she told me, "Jamey, I don't expect to come out of this alive!" And then went to her story of Grampa and the little Aley Inns.

Incidently, the first maroon who calls me "Jamey" is gonna get whacked by one of my made members.

Mom did come out of it. And she still speaks of that event. In fact, she said that she dreamed about Grampa and Gramma before she had her serious heart trouble, a few weeks ago. And the first thing Gramps said was that, "Jamey, Grampa told me that there was only one time the shoemaker was right."

It's in the book, but hey, what the hell. There's much more like this and it's gonna cost yous. Heh, heh. A lot. Boy oh boy I can't wait to gouge you puppies, most especially after tempting you with these treats.

Now I truly understand where and from whom Massa OldCodge gets his information. Not from the Astronauts, not from NASA, but from the shoemaker, Herr Shtumpdinbgle Uber DoomCough.

Dr. J. Jaime Gesundt ... for the time being.

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>From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
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>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:32:14 -0600

>>>From: Moderator UFO UpDates <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>To: James Oberg
>>>From: Errol Bruce-Knapp
>>>Date: January 16th, 2002

>>>James,

>>>Why, despite having been sent a copy - or two - of the UFO >>>UpDates Posting Rules, do you persist in submitting posts for >>>the UFO UFO UpDates List that ignore the rules?

>Hello Alfred,

>>OK - this time you go too far! This is Oberg bashing, pure and >>simple! Moreover, I'll bet this is a selective application of >>your authoritarian so-called rules, and that you'd let that >>coffee-bush-banging Juan Valdez prance around in UpDates with >>line lengths reminiscent of the epics of Homer! Shame!

>See, you go and make fun of my grammatical handicap (in public)
>and you smother it in a cheesy racial slur, but if I say
>anything about the pink, lacy Victoria's Secret underwear all
>you poets are expected wear by the writers guild, then suddenly
>_I'm_ the bad guy!

Hey! In the first place the underwear's in the by-laws! In the second place I resent being accused of making racial slurs, you siesta taking, taco bending, re-fried beaner! (...to which you reply, "Hey! Who's re-fried?") <g>.

...In the third place I know a good spot where those Homeric lines can be effectively broken off, you baldly envious Oberg basher not fit to fold his trench coat (or polish his decoder ring), but you're gonna have to roll your shoulders down!

Ha-rumpf!

<snip>

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

P.S. Seriously though? I love it when Oberg comes up on my spell checker and I get to hit the ignore button! <g>.

~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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>Actually, the special flight was already ordered and I think one >of the compelling reasons was to get Marcel the hell out of >Roswell. And, contrary to what Tom wrote, I think the rawin and >balloon came from Roswell. Robert Porter, who went to Fort Worth >on the flight with Marcel described materials being handed up, >into the cockpit that sound suspiciously like the radar >reflector and the balloon envelop. Porter mentioned a package >wrapped in brown paper that was triangular, about three or four >feet on a side. This sounds just like a folded up rawin >target... which also accounts for the brown paper on Ramey's >floor that is visible in the photographs.

>Porter also talked of a couple of wrapped boxes that were very >light weight, which could have contained the balloon envelop. >So, I believe that we have compelling evidence that the balloon >and target were brought from Roswell, we have compelling >evidence to suggest that such material would be available in >Roswell based on their participation in the Pacific atomic >tests, and, if Ramey ordered the material from Roswell to show >reporters, we have fairly compelling evidence of a coordinated >effort.

If I may, I'd like to question part of your theory.

You assert that Roswell AAFB would have Rawins - implying that they would be familiar with the device and its uses. In July 1947, Roswell did not have any ground-based radars. Indeed, in order to practice radar counter-measures, the 509th had to beg time from either the White Sands or Alamogordo radars. Given this, it is highly unlikely that anyone at RAAFB would require the use of a Rawin, let alone have one laying around. Besides, Rawins would not be of any use to a bomber wing- their primary military use is for artillery units.

There may have been personnel in the 509th that had seen and/or used a Rawin during WWII (like Newton). It is also possible that there were people there who may have seen one during postwar training, although it is quite unlikely that no one in the 509th actually handled one then. Brazel's interview makes it quite obvious that Marcel was not familiar with a Rawin ("he tried to make a kite"), another good indicator that Rawins were not available at the RAFFB.

Regardless, it is very obvious that Rawins were not in use at Roswell in '47, and it is unlikely in-the-extreme that one would be available at the base to use as a 'substitution'.

I am, however, pleased to see that you now assert the material transported to Ft Worth by Marcel was indeed a Rawin/Neoprene balloon, and that what is in Bond's photos is the same material. Procter's story is 'compelling' evidence.

So- if the material transported to Ft Worth was a Rawin and Balloon, then there is only _one_ place where these could have be found in the Roswell area- Foster's ranch.

>But remember, Colonel Dubose said that the material displayed on >General Ramey's floor was a weather balloon cover story designed >to get the reporters off their backs.

Shandara got quite a different story from DuBose.

>And remember that Jesse >Marcel, Sr., when shown the pictures taken in Ramey's office >told reporter Johnny Mann that it wasn't the stuff that he had >recovered in New Mexico. And, remember that Jesse Marcel, Jr., >said that the debris in the photographs bore a gross resemblance >to what he had seen, but that it wasn't the same stuff.

That contradicts what Marcel initially told Moore and Pratt. Jessies's first version was that the pictures of him were the 'real' stuff. It was only later that he changed his story.

Regards,

Bruce Hutchinson

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Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Cameron

From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy</u>@altavista.com> Date: 16 Jan 2002 17:58:23 -0800 Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:05:00 -0500 Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Cameron

On Wed, 16 January 2002, UFO UpDates - Toronto wrote:

>From: Moderator UFO UpDates <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>To: James Oberg
>From: Errol Bruce-Knapp
>Date: January 16th, 2002

>James,

>Why, despite having been sent a copy - or two - of the UFO >UpDates Posting Rules, do you persist in submitting posts for >the UFO UFO UpDates List that ignore the rules?

>You have had submissions returned to you, un-posted, together >with quotes from the Posting Rules - which you have chosen to >ignore.

>UFO UpDates is a free service - I get paid nothing for running >it and all that I ask is that you abide by all the Posting >Rules. You don't.

>Therefore, if future messages from you don't conform to the >Posting Rules I've included, and updated to make them even >clearer, below, your submissions, again, will not be passed on. >I simply don't have the time to continually clean up >mis-compiled messages.

>Errol Bruce-Knapp, >Moderator UFO UpDates - Toronto

James. When you get out of this dog house, you can start telling everyone Marcia Smith's version of the story Danny Sheehan has been telling for years.

First you cover up the truth of Marciagate. Then you refuse to follow simple rules. You are a bad man!

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Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>I can't tell you where Ramey got this stuff from (not even >>Dubose knew that when asked). However, I can give you some good >>arguments that this probably wasn't from Mogul.

>>Mogul #4 (supposedly the crash object according to debunkers)
>>consisted of about 2 dozen neoprene balloons, 3 radar targets
>>(though there is zero evidence that it actually had any radar
>>targets), and assorted payload and altitude control equipment.

>>1. Instruments: There are no instruments of any kind pictured in
>>the photos. Marcel and Cavitt report recovering no instruments
>>(except for a little black box Marcel said Cavitt found). In
>>1947, Ramey went on the radio and stated that there were no
>>instruments recovered. With no instruments, what exactly links
>>the Rawin and balloon to Mogul? The debris is indistinguishable
>>from an ordinary Rawin weather balloon.

>>2. Quantity of debris: Again despite assertions to the contrary, >>there is insufficient debris to make up even one radar target >>(e.g., the stick lengths computed by some photoanalyst for the >>AF came up with less than half the sticks required to make up >>one complete Rawin). Ramey or his people also repeatedly >>referred to the debris as a singular balloon and target. A quote >>of Ramey's from United Press in an evening edition of a west >>coast newspaper on July 8 (which went to press before Irving >>Newton ever came in) has Ramey stating that it appeared to be >>the "remnants of a weather balloon and radar reflector." UP also >>quoted Ramey that night as saying that a _part_ of a balloon was >>found nearby.

>Has anyone ever suggested that what was displayed in Ramey's >office was supposed to be everything recovered outside Roswell? >Weren't these samples simply to be displayed at a press >conference? In other words, what's quantity got to do with it?

Sheridan Cavitt, the AF star witness, claimed the balloon wreckage covered an area no bigger than his living room. Col. Weaver in his summary statement, then used Cavitt's "small area of debris" as supporting the conclusion that they found a Mogul balloon. (See also more extensive comments at the end.)

It's also interesting that they managed to lay out most of _one_ complete ML-307 radar reflector, but not just a little more than one, which would indicate they really had found more than one target and maybe this was debris from Mogul.

Yet Mack Brazel claimed he rolled the stuff up into one small bundle in his Daily Record interview. "When the debris was gathered up the tinfoil, paper, tape, and sticks made a bundle about three feet long and 7 or 8 inches thick."

If more than one reflector had been found, then it should have all been mixed up together in that bundle. But instead, the debris on display is completely accounted for and then some by one and only one ML-307 reflector. How did they manage that unless they started with only one reflector to begin with?

And if its only one reflector, then what clearly links the debris to the alleged lost multi-target Mogul?

>>Irving Newton in 1947 also referred to the debris as coming from >>a singular balloon/reflector (as did the FBI telegram). When I >>asked Newton in the present day whether there was more than one >>balloon or radar target, he told me definitely not. He thought >>the debris came from a regular Rawin weather balloon.

>>So where is the multi-balloon, multi-radar target Mogul? Again, >>there is nothing here to clearly link the debris to Mogul in any >>way.

>See above. What does the _quantity_ of debris in Ramey's office >have to do with the quantity of debris at the original crash >site?

You are missing the point. The photos have been used as evidence that they found a multi-balloon, multi-Rawin Mogul. But if you can't account for even one complete Rawin balloon on display, then the debris could have come from any ordinary Rawin balloon and been substituted for the "real" debris, as Marcel and Dubose said happened.

E.g., White Sands Missile Range maintained a weather station at Orogrande, only 35 miles south of Alamogordo. 72 hours prior to scheduled V-2 launches, they started sending up Rawins to check upper atmosphere wind speeds and directions. There was a scheduled V-2 launch on July 3 (and another on July 10, 1947). So starting June 30, multiple Rawins would have been sent up from Orogrande. Ranchers would often report when a weather balloon came down on their property, so conceivably this could have been the source of the very recent, weathered, _singular_ balloon and Rawin on display in Ramey's office. It didn't have to come from Mogul.

>Moreover, why did Ramey order up a weather balloon and rawin >radar reflector as his preferred cover-up material -- when he >could have used virtually anything?

My theory based on the historical documentary evidence - at that point they were debunking not just Roswell but the nationwide epidemic of flying saucer sightings. They were trying to kill the whole thing. To do that they needed a general, multipurpose explanation that could be used everywhere. A garbage can lid or one of Mrs. Brazel's pie pans wouldn't work for that.

(Furthermore, in the case of Roswell, they had to account for how the "disk" could end up on a remote ranch. As in the case of the other reported flying discs, the explanation literally had to "fly." So just anything wouldn't do.)

The sequence of documented historical events went like this.

On July 6 and July 7, an AP photo of the Circleville, Ohio, crashed radar target was being widely circulated, particularly in the Midwest, with the radar target touted as a possible explanation for the flying disk reports. This photo, in fact, appeared on the front page of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram on July 7. There no doubt would have been some awareness of it amongst Ramey's inner circle of officers. The press was already proposing it as a possible explanation -- so why not make use of a ready-made explanation to kill the saucer stories?

(The Star-Telegram wasn't the only Texas paper that ran the photo. E.g., the San Antonio Light did as well on July 7. Need I point out that San Antonio is home to Fort Sam Houston, and back then the home base of the 4th Army? The 4th Army was also responsible for military security in Texas and New Mexico.)

The very same day, Col. John Ryan, the Eighth AF Operations Officer at Fort Worth (and the next C/O at Roswell, replacing

Blanchard the following year), was talking about radar targets in connection with an article AP ran the next day on possible explanations for the saucer reports, primarily one man's theory that they were the same as the "Nazi fireballs" (AKA "foo fighters").

Then, of course, merely by "coincidence", a radar target shows up on the office floor of Gen. Ramey late in the afternoon of July 8. Ramey early on stated his opinion that the so-called Roswell flying disk was "the remnants of a weather balloon and radar reflector." Later he brought in weather officer Newton to make the ID official.

Afterwards Ramey went on a local Fort Worth radio station to repeat the weather balloon story. AP quoted him at first saying "I don't say these devices are what people have called disks. There is no such gadget (as the disks) known to the Army -- at least this far down the line."

However, AP articles said he also added that the weather device could be mistaken for almost anything when seen in the air, thereby implying that they could indeed explain the flying disks. This was classic Ramey, talking out of both sides of his mouth and covering all his bases. Ramey was a clever man. (See another example further down of Ramey doing this.)

That night, shortly after 10:00, a radio newsman from Kalamazoo, Mich., sent a teletype saying that military intelligence in Washington was suggesting that the saucers were radar targets used for weather observation. You can see this telex at:

http://www.project1947.com/roswell/wkzo.htm

Also note the telex talks about contacting Col. M. Duffy in New Jersey about the radar targets. That's Col. Marcellus Duffy, who helped develop the targets at Fort Monmouth. The problem is the Air Force and other debunkers like Karl Pflock are claiming that Duffy, at about the same time as the telex, was at home with the kiddies at Wright Field, Ohio, identifying the debris flown in from Fort Worth as being from Mogul. He could hardly be doing that if he was in New Jersey as a press contact person on radar targets. So this whole Col. Duffy story of him allegedly identifying Mogul debris at Wright Field appears to be another fabrication, perhaps just more of the military debunking campaign.

The following morning, the introductory sentence in the main UP Roswell story spelled out what was going on in unambiguous terms: "Reports of flying saucers whizzing through the sky fell off sharply today as the Army and Navy began a concentrated campaign to stop the rumors."

So that's what was happening. The military was engaged in an organized attempt to kill the saucer reports. There were stories from some top military people scoffing at and ridiculing the saucer reports. At a press conference on July 10, Truman compared them to the great moon hoax of 1835.

But the major thrust was weather balloon and radar target demonstrations. Alamogordo on July 9 was just one of these. I've found at least 9 more, including a portion of a newsreel and a demonstration at FWAAF where they supposedly didn't have radar targets. They even had the radar target manufacturer in New York get into the act and team up with the balloon manufacturer in New Jersey and stage some launches at a New Jersey amusement park. The theme in all these demonstrations was that the radar targets or similar weather balloons likely or undoubtedly explained all the saucer reports. In some of these demonstrations, there is a claim of widespread use of the radar targets with statements that they are used where people are reporting the saucers.

All this had nothing to do with protecting the purpose of Mogul. It was about debunking the saucers.

So that's the long answer as to why Ramey used a radar target. It was the opening salvo in a nationwide military debunking campaign. It was probably suggested to military intelligence by the already widely circulating story and photos of the Circleville radar target crash on July 6 and July 7 along with the accompanying proposal that it might explain the saucer reports.

I think Shakespeare's line about "they doth protesteth too much" is apropro here. Why the obvious coordination of efforts and all the energy spent in ridiculing nothing? Earlier in the week, they hardly gave a damn. But something changed drastically around July 7 or July 8. After that they pulled out the stops and went overboard on the ridicule.

>The original press release referred to a relatively intact disc >stored in a rancher's shed.

Not exactly, Dennis. It said a flying disk had landed on a rancher's property and the Army had gained possession. Where did you get the bit about it saying it was stored in a rancher's shed?

>Marcel wasn't going to be able to >testify otherwise, so who would have had the slightest inkling >that what was shown on Ramey's office floor would bear at least >some passing resemblance to what some witnesses later testified >was found on the Foster ranch?

See above. There was a lot going on behind the scenes. To successfully kill any rumors that might leak out of Roswell, they had to make the subject of flying saucers a topic of public ridicule as well. That called for an explanation of the saucers that would work anywhere.

Or you could make a more conservative interpretation and speculate that they were trying to kill the reports because they were being overwhelmed by them. Gen. Vandenberg was in northern Texas a few days before the "incident" of July 8 (why?) and was quoted by the Austin Statesman on July 7 as saying the Pentagon had been literally inundated with "thousands" of inquiries.

>Did Ramey just 'luck out' by ordering up a weather balloon and >radar reflector for display? Did he start out with a weather >balloon, and say to himself, "No, that's not good enough, better >throw in a wrecked rawin reflector, too. You know how the press >are these days."

Again, see above. There are suggestions that the radar reflector story was already in the works for about a day before Ramey showed one. Military intelligence may have been devising a comprehensive plan to kill all the stories, not just Roswell.

>Fact is the press were in his side pocket in those days and he >could have shown them _anything_. No particular (let alone >urgent) need to fly in a balloon and rawin reflector from >somewhere else, at least that I can think of. Especially since >none of what he offered up as Roswell wreckage in any way >resembled what was mentioned in the original press release. >Regrettably, it's too bad that the press didn't ask better >questions at the time, or we might know more than we do today.

Agreed, and as you say, the military back then wore a halo after they had just saved us from the fascists. However, some interesting items did leak out from Fort Worth, but got overlooked by the press. A widely reported quote attributed to Major Marcel by AP have him saying that the debris was "scattered over a square mile" (a description Marcel repeated to Leonard Stringfield 30 years later). That's way too big a debris area even for a Mogul (and in startling contrast to both Brazel's quotes back then and Cavitt's in the present-day concerning debris field size).

And Ramey and AAF spokespeople were quoted by all major news sources, after Ramey spoke on the phone with the Pentagon press room, as saying that the object would be "20 to 25 feet in diameter if reconstructed." The small amount debris on Ramey's floor would never conceivably be that large if "reconstructed" nor could anybody ever reasonably make that sort of mistake

By another remarkable "coincidence," however, Ramey's size description matches those given by a few witnesses as to the size of the recovered craft. I think this was another example of Ramey covering all his bases. If word did leak about size, he was already claiming that the radar target could account for that as well. There is no evidence, however, that the press noticed or cared about the logical inconsistencies and glaring contradictions in the official story. They completely bought into the party line were only too happy to oblige in debunking the story.

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>>There is nothing here at all to link this singular balloon and >>singular Rawin to Mogul. It is instead a standard singular >>balloon/radar target combination.

>How many balloons and rawins should he have displayed in his >office? He was showing samples of what was recovered. Has anyone >ever suggested that _everything_ recovered outside Roswell was >on display in Ramey's office that day? If so, it's news to me, >though welcome if substantiated.

>Dennis Stacy

Read the Air Force Roswell Report and their emphasis on Sheridan Cavitt's tiny balloon wreck and its consistency with what Ramey showed. Also look at pages 13 and 14 in Col. Weaver's summary statement where he writes:

"From the rather benign description of the 'event' and the recovery of some material as described by original newspaper accounts, the 'Roswell Incident' has since grown to mythical (if not mystical) proportions in the eyes and minds of some researchers, portions of the media, and at least part of the American public. There are also now several major variations of the 'Roswell story.' **For example, it was originally reported that there was only recovery of debris from one site. This has since grown from _a minimal amount of debris recovered from a small area_ to airplane loads of debris from multiple huge 'debris fields.'"**

Also look at Attachment 24, the Col. Albert Trakowski interview, where he relates the Col. Duffy fable of identifying Mogul debris at Wright Field:

"Really, the only thing that I knew about it, after it happened, was that Colonel Duffy called me on the telephone from Wright Field and gave me a story about a fellow that had come in from New Mexico, woke him up in the middle of the night, or some such thing, with **a handful of debris,** and wanted him, Colonel Duffy, to identify it."

Weaver also uses Trakowski's "handful of debris" statement in his summary statement (p. 28). Again, the implication left is that there was hardly any debris.

Weaver also tries to white-wash Ramey's weather balloon story, stating (p. 30): "It appears that the identification of the wreckage as being part of a weather balloon device" was based on the fact that there was no physical difference in the radar targets and the neoprene balloons (other than the numbers and configuration) between Mogul balloons and normal weather balloons."

In other words, Ramey misidentifying the debris would be completely innocent since the equipment was indistinguishable from Mogul equipment and of insufficient quantity to indicate it might be something else other than a common weather balloon.

Weaver similarly describes there being only a singular radar target for Ramey to identify, and cites the Dallas FBI telegram as supporting evidence (p. 22, the introduction to section "WHAT THE 'ROSWELL INCIDENT' WAS"):

"As previously discussed, what was originally reported to have been recovered was a balloon of some sort, usually described as a "weather balloon," although **the majority of the wreckage that was ultimately displayed** by General Ramey and Major Marcel [note deliberate omission of any mention of Brig. Gen. Dubose, a high-level, supporting military eyewitness for Marcel's account] in the famous photos in Fort Worth was that of **_A_ radar target normally suspended from balloons [more Mogul spin by Weaver, since a single target was normally suspended from a larger, singular meteorological balloon]. "Additionally, the description of the 'flying disc' was consistent with a document routinely used by most pro-UFO writers to indicate a conspiracy in progress--the telegram from the Dallas FBI office of July 8, 1947. This document quoted _in_part_ [Weaver omits part where Wright Field disagrees] states '" The disc is hexagonal in shape and was suspended from a balloon by a cable" the object found resembles a high altitude weather balloon and radar reflector "disc and balloon being transported"'"

Throughout this, Weaver tries to have it both ways. What was found was supposedly the super-secret, supersenstive, multi-balloon, multi target Mogul. Yet he simultaneously tries to portray Ramey as an innocent, the weather balloon story understandable, and the incident as vastly overblown. There was very little debris, all consistent with a singular balloon and target, as shown in the photos, and as described in the FBI telegram and Sheridan Cavitt's testimony (p. 24: "He thought at the time, and continued to do so today, that what he found was _a weather balloon_" [He] also reviewed the famous Ramey/Marcel photographs " and he identified the materials depicted in the photos as _consistent with the materials that he recovered from the ranch_").

Furthermore, the material was "not readily recognizable as anything special (only the purpose was special) and the recovered debris itself was unclassified." The whole thing was a "non-event." (p. 27)

Now answer me this? Name one single thing in that non-special, non-classified displayed debris (which Weaver repeatedly suggests was all there was and indistinguishable from ordinary weather equipment) that somehow revealed its "special purpose," thus clearly linking it to Mogul and required yet another special shipment to Wright Field for still further identification after Newton had already officially identified it and Ramey announced the special flight was no longer needed.

And why was the Dallas FBI informed by Ramey's intelligence officer (Major Kirton) that Wright Field disagreed with the description of the debris as arising from a radar target suspended from a balloon and they were thus shipping the debris on to Wright Field. This is the same Major Kirton who almost simultaneously told the Dallas Morning News that the identification was final, the special flight was cancelled, and they were probably going to throw the debris in the trash.

In other words, what was so different about this balloon? Why wasn't this just an ordinary Rawin target and weather balloon combo on display that could have arisen from any number of weather stations, as Newton stated back then and now? Why the additional level of ID (though apparently not by Col. Duffy).

And why, if it was truly Weaver's "non-event, was there the need for the additional, _widespread_, "concentrated campaign" of debunkery by the military in succeeding days? In particular, why the multiple radar target demonstrations all over the country where they were clearly equating the targets to the widely reported flying disks?

David Rudiak

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'Debunker' Takes Aim at Cydonian Imperative by Mac Tonnies

A site dealing with controversial evidence of extraterrestrial intelligence is bound to get feedback. Most of the email I receive is cautiously skeptical or helpful in tracking down additional unusual Martian surface features. However, this latest offering from an anonymous reader accurately sums up the attitude reflected by NASA and most "mainstream" scientists who haven't availed themselves of the Cydonia enigma (yet remain self-appointed "gatekeepers," effectively censoring open dialogue among reseachers).

http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html (page 26)

(I've added an internal search engine to The Cydonian Imperative. Hopefully this will help readers wanting to locate specific references.)

--Mac

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Good Morning Bruce, List, All -

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I'm not sure this is quite right. They did request the use of ground-based radars at other facilities, but that seemed to be for the diversification of their practice bombing runs rather than a lack of ground-based radars at RAAF. There were several types of mobile radars and some of those assigned to the base in 1947 have suggested that such radars were in place. I have found documentation that places ground-based radars at Roswell in the late summer of 1947 and there were radar technicians assigned to the base throughout 1947. This search continues.

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>Rawins would not be of any use to a bomber wing- their primary
>military use is for artillery units.

Ah, but I think you missed my point which was they were also used in atomic testing such as Operation Crossroads, which the 509th and the 1st ATU participated in. The 1st ATU supplied the logistical support which means that the materials were staged and flown out of Roswell and in those equipment packages would have been weather balloons and Rawin targets. All equipment that was not used was eventually returned to Roswell, so in this case, it can be suggested that the balloons and targets could be found in Roswell.

>There may have been personnel in the 509th that had seen and/or >used a Rawin during WWII (like Newton). It is also possible >that there were people there who may have seen one during post->war training, although it is quite unlikely that no one in the >509th actually handled one then. Brazel's interview makes it >quite obvious that Marcel was not familiar with a Rawin ("he >tried to make a kite"), another good indicator that Rawins were >not available at the RAFFB.

If we are going to accept this at face value, then we must also remember that Brazel said that he had found weather devices on two other occasions and this was nothing like those... except the weather balloon and Rawin would have been just like those. And we have a farmer in Circleville, Ohio, who found a weather balloon and Rawin target, a man who certainly never seen one before and who was easily able to identify it for what it was. The weather balloon and Rawin targets were not so extraordinary that they defied identification by those who had not seen those specific items.

>Regardless, it is very obvious that Rawins were not in use at >Roswell in '47, and it is unlikely in-the-extreme that one would >be available at the base to use as a 'substitution'.

I would have to disagree given the fact that base personnel participated in the atomic testing, and given the fact that winds aloft data were regularly gathered at Roswell. How do you suppose they gathered that data if they had neither radar nor weather balloons and Rawins?

>I am, however, pleased to see that you now assert the material >transported to Ft Worth by Marcel was indeed a Rawin/Neoprene >balloon, and that what is in Bond's photos is the same material. >Procter's story is 'compelling' evidence.

>So- if the material transported to Ft Worth was a Rawin and >Balloon, then there is only _one_ place where these could have >be found in the Roswell area- Foster's ranch.

But that wasn't the only place for them to be found. I believe the assumption here is invalid for the reasons mentioned above.

>>But remember, Colonel Dubose said that the material displayed on >>General Ramey's floor was a weather balloon cover story designed >>to get the reporters off their backs.

>Shandara got quite a different story from DuBose.

Yes, Shandera alone got quite a different story from DuBose. Everyone else who talked to him learned the same things we did. Those include Billy Cox at Florida Today who commented on this aspect of the controversy, Don Ecker at UFO magazine (US), and even Kris Palmer from Unsolved Mysteries. Our interview (the one conducted by Don Schmitt and Stan Friedman) is on video tape and in the FUFOR archives and held at CUFOS, while Shandera's interview is based solely on his notes with no independent corroboration. Which version should we accept as closer to the factual? That which can be independently verified or that which is based only the memories of a man who had a rooting interest in one specific aspect of the case? According to Shandera, he did not record the interview, he just took notes.

>>And remember that Jesse

>>Marcel, Sr., when shown the pictures taken in Ramey's office >>told reporter Johnny Mann that it wasn't the stuff that he had >>recovered in New Mexico. And, remember that Jesse Marcel, Jr., >>said that the debris in the photographs bore a gross resemblance >>to what he had seen, but that it wasn't the same stuff.

>That contradicts what Marcel initially told Moore and Pratt.

>Jessies's first version was that the pictures of him were the >'real' stuff. It was only later that he changed his story.

Actually, I don't think it does. While Marcel might have told Moore that, I don't believe he said it to Pratt. Moore has offered various versions of his transcripts as evidence, but he seems to change them as the situation changes so I'm not convinced that anything we find in them is accurate.

I think there may have been some pictures taken in Roswell with the real debris but I have never found them and I know of no one who has ever seen them. On the other hand, when Marcel was shown the pictures taken by Dr. Johnson in Fort Worth, he told reporter Johnny Mann that those photographs showed the weather balloon. He didn't seen to hesitate in that identification.

This part of the story has become quite confused by those who had agendas to push. Moore has changed portions of his transcripts to suit his purposes. Shandera has offered an alternative story but can provide neither tapes nor documentation to substantiate his claims. Dr. Johnson has radically altered what he has said, attempting to convince us all that there was real debris in General Ramey's office. There are reasons to believe that weather balloons and Rawins were available at the RAAF in 1947. We just have to sort through the half- truths, lies, confabulations and mistatements, which can be a difficult thing to do.

KRandle

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Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u> Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:55:26 EST Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 16:57:56 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 11:50:00 +0000
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk></u>
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>>From: Tom Carey <<u>TCarey1947@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 14:25:33 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

<snip>

Neil Morris wrote:

>In the final analysis, what Bond Johnson did or did not say to
>Kevin in the phone interviews (and yes I do have a copy of
>Kevin's tapes) has to be settled between the two parties
>involved

Although I have tried to be polite, there are some things that just annoy the hell out of me and this is one of them. Please remember that I hadn't named any of the members of RPIT to whom I had sent tapes. Neil volunteered this information himself and then suggested that we, meaning Dr. Johnson and I, should attempt to settle this matter. Oh, I have tried, for more than ten years, ever since Dr. Johnson decided that he had seen the real debris and that General Ramey didn't know what he had when Dr. Johnson arrived at the office.

For those of you tired of this debate, please punch out now. For the rest of you, I pose a single question to Neil. Having heard my tapes, having seen the correspondence between Dr. Johnson and me, just where have I misrepresented anything in this long and rather tiresome debate?

Dr. Johnson alleges that I called him cold, giving neither the time to prepare for the interview nor the opportunity to refresh his memory concerning the events of July, 1947. I sent to Neil, as I have to the others who asked, a letter from Betsy Hudon at UTA who first told me that someone else had just been in contact with their archives, looking up the same photographs that interested me. I asked for the name but she refused, feeling it would violate a confidence. She did say that she would forward a letter from me, to this party (I didn't know it was Dr. Johnson at that time) and give him the opportunity to call me, if he wished to initiate contact. I sent the letter that explained my interest and Dr. Johnson called me, leaving a message on my answering machine.

During that first conversation, you also hear us discussing his contact with the archives and his telephone conversation with Betsy Hudon. So much for his allegation I called him cold.

He said that I recorded the call without his permission. Overlooking the fact that Iowa is a one party state, which means that only one of those engaged in the conversation needs to know it is being recorded, you hear me, during the second interview, ask if it is all right to record. Dr. Johnson gives his permission. The first conversation (it really doesn't quite qualify as an interview) outlines some of the preliminaries. During that conversation, Dr. Johnson reads from the Fort Worth Star-Telegram article that he claims, in that same conversation, to have authored. Again, this proves that I did not call him cold, that he had had no opportunity to refresh his memory, or that I had fed him information.

During that conversation, he told me that Ramey had told him it was a weather balloon and that he had taken just two photographs. (Here is a point in which Neil wins something... Dr. Johnson remembered just two photographs, but conceded that the Marcel photograph looked as if he, Dr. Johnson, had taken it. I think we all agree that Dr. Johnson took six photographs and I don't hold it against him that his memory failed on this point.)

In the second interview, I had had the time to consider what had been said earlier and had a better handle on the events in Fort Worth. I asked Dr. Johnson to tell me what had happened and we have a long narrative by him in which he describes all these events. In the course of this narrative, without question or comment by me, you hear Dr. Johnson say, "I posed General Ramey with this debris. At that time I was briefed on the idea that it was not a flying disk as first reported but in fact was a weather balloon that had crashed." His words, on tape, with no prompting from me.

In the third interview, after he has radically altered his story, and accused me of misquoting him, I called to see if we could get to the bottom of this. This is the interview in which he accuses me of putting words in his mouth. In reality, I am reading to him from the transcripts of our first interviews, asking what I got wrong and why he changed his story. His answers become confused and rambling. At the end, he asks me to send the specific quotes, not the whole tapes, so I edited out much of the other material, providing him with what he wanted. Now he accuses me of editing the tapes for some nefarious purpose.

I will point out that I sent him letters and asked questions. I tried to get him to understand that I had quoted him accurately and the best he could do was show that I had left a word out of one quote at one point... which he wouldn't have known if I hadn't sent him the tapes.

He has decided that he photographed real debris from a crashed flying saucer, all in the face of other testimony that suggests there was nothing in General Ramey's office when Johnson entered other than a weather balloon and rawin target. It is clear from the statements made by General DuBose, Major Marcel and WO Newton that the debris was a weather balloon. The evidence is in the photographs for all to see. Clearly this is a weather balloon and rawin target and nothing else... which might explain the RPIT desire to cling to Dr. Johnson's discredited testimony about what was in General Ramey's office. Without it, we are left with only a weather balloon and degraded target. The silence from those in the RPIT who had heard the tapes, who have copies of the tapes, and who had spoken to Dr. Johnson is deafening. I think they believed what Dr. Johnson said about me and the recordings... until they heard them for themselves and realized that Dr. Johnson's take on the situation just wasn't reflected in reality.

My point here is that Neil has the tapes, has the letters and has other supporting documentation. Rather than deal with it, he ignores it, suggesting that Dr. Johnson and I work out the differences. I have tried and hoped that those on the RPIT who should have more influence with Dr. Johnson could get some of the answers. The question that remains is why have they been so quiet on this point? Why won't they admit the truth?

KRandle

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Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Oberg

From: James Oberg <joberg@houston.rr.com>
Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:24:52 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 16:59:44 -0500
Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Oberg

>Date: 16 Jan 2002 17:58:23 -0800
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy</u>@altavista.com>
>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg

<snip>

>First you cover up the truth of Marciagate. Then you refuse to >follow simple rules. You are a bad man!

I trust you have all had sufficient chuckles over this, and it's justified. I stand (or sit, actually) rebuked.

Regarding 'truth of Marciagate', from what I know of the controversry, the only untrue allegations concerning Marcia Smith have been posted by Grant Cameron, not me.

Jim Oberg

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u> Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 14:27:04 -0400 Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 17:08:07 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Ledger

>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 06:06:43 -0800
>From: Larry Hatch <<u>larry@larry@larryhatch.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?

>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 01:39:05 -0400
>>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?

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>>Re: "I am curious, did any UFO reports exist for that
>>time period?" How tight a time frame are you looking in?
>>I haven't been able to find anything for that day or the
>>few days before or after. Larry hatch might have
>>something in his *U* base.

>Hello Don:

>If somebody will give specific dates and general location, I can >look up whatever records I have and summarize those. A place >name like "Kinross" is sometimes changed here to match the >actual location of the incident, or to give a landmark closer to >the events if over large bodies of water.

Hi Larry,

Re: the F89-C out of Kinross AFB. Date: November 23,1953 Time: Night Location of Incident: Scrambled to Soo Locks. Merged with object 70 miles over Lake Michigan off Keweenaw Point in upper Michigan. Additional information: The F89-C was based at Detachment #1 of the 433rd Fighter-Interceptor Squadron at Kinross AFB-Michigan. Case declassified Dec.

Best,

Don

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Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Velez

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 14:20:49 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 17:20:40 -0500
Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Velez

>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg
>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 18:02:34 -0600

>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 13:06:53 -0500
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic</u>@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg

>>>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg
>>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 09:32:14 -0600

>>>>From: Moderator UFO UpDates <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>>To: James Oberg
>>>From: Errol Bruce-Knapp
>>>Date: January 16th, 2002

>>>>James,

>>>>Why, despite having been sent a copy - or two - of the UFO >>>>UpDates Posting Rules, do you persist in submitting posts for >>>the UFO UFO UpDates List that ignore the rules?

>>Hello Alfred,

>>>OK - this time you go too far! This is Oberg bashing, pure and >>>simple! Moreover, I'll bet this is a selective application of >>your authoritarian so-called rules, and that you'd let that >>>coffee-bush-banging Juan Valdez prance around in UpDates with >>>line lengths reminiscent of the epics of Homer! Shame!

>>See, you go and make fun of my grammatical handicap (in public)
>>and you smother it in a cheesy racial slur, but if I say
>>anything about the pink, lacy Victoria's Secret underwear all
>>you poets are expected wear by the writers guild, then suddenly
>>_I'm_ the bad guy!

>Hey! In the first place the underwear's in the by-laws! In the >second place I resent being accused of making racial slurs, you >siesta taking, taco bending, re-fried beaner! (...to which you >reply, "Hey! Who's re-fried?") <g>.

<snip>

Hola Lehmberg,

You wrote:

>P.S. Seriously though? I love it when Oberg comes up on my >spell checker and I get to hit the ignore button! <g>.

This venue, UFO UpDates, affords us the opportunity to actually go head to head with one of these well known establishment. You know me for many years now Alfred, the word 'enemy' is not a part of my vocabulary. But if I was ever forced to apply it to Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Velez

anyone, it would be to several of these 'enemies' of democracy, free-thinking and Truth.

Oberg has participated on this List for about two months now and has been caught out as many times. I never take joy in the manifestations of another's character disorder, but in this case it causes me to rejoice every time one of these people gets busted in public.

The down/flip-side is - as I mentioned in an earlier post, that each time busting a 'second string' former NASA spokesman like Oberg - what little trust people may have left in their own institutions is diminished even further. Just when you think they can't possibly sink any lower an 'Oberg' (or some fanatical CSICOP robot) comes along and manages to drain a little more water out of the pond.

More than the economics of it, that same lack of the people's trust in its own institutions is what finally brought Russia down. That's what I mean by 'enemy' of Truth and of the People when it is applied here in this instance.

Using words like "enemy" is not something I do lightly or easily. Unless it "walks and talks like a duck." These termites with their cover-ups and lies gnaw away at the very foundations of democracy. All Americans owe a life_and_death debt to the many who _gave_their_lives_ defending our freedoms. No matter what form these threats may assume. I'm just glad that UpDates is around to afford us the chance to expose these cells to scrutiny and encourage them to seek professional treatment for their destructive anti-social behavioral disorder.

"In the purity and essence of our precious bodily fluids," I remain,

Col. John (Ripper) Velez ;) Speaking strictly for myself

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Bizarre Creature in Idaho Raises Prospects for

From: Nick Balaskas <<u>nikolaos@YorkU.CA></u>
Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 14:39:18 -0500 (Eastern Standard Time)
Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 17:23:04 -0500
Subject: Bizarre Creature in Idaho Raises Prospects for

Hi everyone.

For those of you who haven't seen this story, here is yet another new and unexpected "alien-like" life form discovered deep inside our own planet Earth - no, they are not related to the Nazis and travel in flying saucers when then come to the surface - which raises the hope that similar life forms may also exist on Mars.

http://www.space.com/searchforlife/life methane 020116.html

Nick Balaskas

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Review: 'Abduction In My Life'

From: John Velez <johnvelez.aic@verizon.net>
Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 16:08:56 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 17:34:21 -0500
Subject: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'

Abduction In My Life by Bruce Maccabee

Hi All,

From the Prologue I became deeply impressed with how accurately Bruce managed to convey/portray, what its like for someone who has experienced 'missing time' in connection with an uncomfortably close-up UFO/occupant encounter - an abduction. He weaves into the story many of the details that are associated with the experience of UFO/abduction. His 'case study' is so faithful and is so deadly spot-on in the telling, that for most of the book I wondered to myself if Bruce himself is an abductee? How else could he know so many of the nuances of human psychology and response as it relates to those who have actually had to live through such a life altering experience(s).

Something else happens too while you're absorbing this riveting tale of UFO abduction... you get an education! I thought his FBI X-Files book was most informative, but 'Abduction In My Life' walks you step by step in the most unobtrusive and palatable way through the history/roots of modern ufology while slowly building an air-tight case for the reality of the UFO phenomenon. And all based on solid historical fact and documentation.

As an abductee, I was touched and deeply impressed. As a ufologist I revelled in all the knowledge I gleaned. As a reader I was thoroughly entertained from cover-to-cover.

I not only recommend it to all Listerions, but I consider it a must read for all experiencers of the phenomenon. UFO abduction is not a nebulous or questionable concept for me. It is a living, breathing reality that I must learn - am forced - to live with for the rest of my life. For those who aren't quite sure if they are abductees or not - self-perceived - and whose cases have not ever been properly investigated, 'Abduction In My Life' is a terrific yardstick to use to compare the details of your recollections and experiences with what is a 'typical', almost generic, and an accurate model of a UFO/occupant encounter.

You'll know soon enough if your own experiences either fit the patterns of _commonly_ reported details or not. I have always said that a good definition of what comprises a UFO/abduction case has been sorely lacking. More so than either Budd Hopkins or David Jacobs, Bruce Maccabee has captured, and faithfully portrays, what really goes down, and what it's like for both the experiencer and a researcher during the investigation of one of these world-view shattering encounters.

Quick personal note:

There is never anything 'iffy' about a close-up UFO encounter or contact for the victim/witness. It leaves you and your life permanently altered. It erases all doubt forever. I question the motives of these beings, whoever they are, and not my Review: 'Abduction In My Life'

perceptions of them.

I'm not alone either. Many abductees have sacrificed and worked long and hard to get the larger community to give us a fair hearing and the kind of serious investigation that our reports demand. Debbie Jordon-Kauble, Katharina Wilson, Travis Walton, and many, many others are to be commended for their courage and dedicated hard work. That those beings and their star-cars are real, or that they have _intrusively_ entered my own life is not a question for me. Contrary to the static noise introduced by those whose 'experiences' have been nebulous enough to cause them to question their so-called 'perceptions', there are those of us who know and are sure of what has happened to us.

My highest praise to Bruce for a job very well done, and a tip of the old Hatlo Hat for an engaging and terrific yarn. Perfect for indoor winter activities that involve books, comfy chairs, and warm beverages. :)

Satisfied customer - Read the book!

Regards,

John Velez Webmaster, Abduction Information Center

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/aic/default.html

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Paradigm Clock Re-Set

From: Stephen Bassett <<u>SGBList2@aol.com></u> Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 16:58:11 EST Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 06:44:18 -0500 Subject: Paradigm Clock Re-Set

PRG Paradigm Research Group

Press Release January 16, 2002

Washington, DC - The Paradigm Clock has been reset to 11:58:00 pm (two minutes to midnight). Based upon recent developments shown below, the clock has been moved back a net 1 minute. An expanded explanation can be found at:

www.paradigmclock.com/chronicleexplanations.html.

9/11/01 - The United States is attacked by terrorist squads working on behalf of foreign organizations (< 2 minutes)

9/11/01 to 1/16/02 - The United States undergoes a significant transformation which extends to domestic and foreign posture as well as public demeanor. (> 1 minute)

The Paradigm Clock was last reset on May 17, 2001, eight days after the Disclosure Project [<u>www.disclosureproject.org</u>] held a press conference at the National Press Club in Washington, DC where the testimony of 75 witnesses, mostly former military and government agency employees, to UFO/ET evidence and events was presented to the national and international press.

The Paradigm Clock resides at the Paradigm Research Group website: <u>www.paradigmclock.com</u>. It is a metaphor representing the proximity to formal disclosure by world governments of the ongoing presence of extraterrestrial life forms in our world, now. It is modeled after the "Doomsday Clock" first published in 1947 by the Bulletin of Atomic Scientists. Midnight on the Doomsday Clock meant nuclear war had begun. Midnight on the Paradigm Clock will mean formal disclosure of the extraterrestrial presence has taken place.

Clock History

April 30, 1998: Published to the internet, time 11:57:00 pm July 27, 1998: Time reset back to 11:56:30 pm July 28, 1999: Time reset forward to 11:57:15 pm July 14, 2000: Time reset forward to 11:58:10 pm May 17, 2001: Time reset forward to 11:59:00 pm

The Paradigm Research Group is a lobbying/consulting project serving the interests of UFO/ET research/activist organizations around the country. It is dedicated to ending the government imposed embargo of the truth of an extraterrestrial presence and the convening of open, comprehensive congressional hearings to take the testimony of government witnesses as regards UFO/ET events and evidence.

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"There is almost no limit to what you can accomplish, if you are willing to give away the credit."

"Intellectual passion is found at the intersection of fact and implication"

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <<u>larry@larryhatch.net</u>> Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 14:26:36 -0800 Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 06:50:04 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Hatch

>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 14:27:04 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
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>>Hello Don:

>>If somebody will give specific dates and general location, I can
>>look up whatever records I have and summarize those. A place
>>name like "Kinross" is sometimes changed here to match the
>>actual location of the incident, or to give a landmark closer to
>>the events if over large bodies of water.

>Hi Larry,

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Hello Don:

That rings all sorts of bells now! Keweenaw Point and the date will make it easy to look up.

I'm late for work now, but will scratch around and get back to you in about 10 hours, sometime Friday early AM hours.

Best

- Larry

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman</u>@psln.com> Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 14:47:29 -0800 Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:03:26 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:37:01 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 19:23:21 -700
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

Kevin,

Just read your reply to Neil. We are not in any way relying on Bond's testimony to make our case. We only have the photographs as evidence and I think what we've found is convincing if you'll only take another look. Why don't you humor an old man and open the Bettemann image from the AA CDs and then send me your phone number and I'll call back and we can walk through it together.

That's the only way to settle this. I'll point out my concerns and you can try to show me why this is Rawin debris. I think you'll be surprised when you view this high resolution scan.

Ed

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UFO & Strange Creature In Chile

From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo
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Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 17:42:34 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:07:41 -0500
Subject: UFO & Strange Creature In Chile

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UFO And A Strange Creature Appear In Villa San Rafael, Chile

A group of teenagers between 13 and 16 years of age, all residents of Villa San Rafael, witnessed of a UFO that traveled at great speeds towards the sector of San Pedro de Atacama and with a direction from north to south. Mr. Carlos C, of 45 years of age, who at the time was standing by the front door of his house on Gabriela Mistral Street, in the southern sector of Calama, corroborated the sighting.

According to Don Carlos, the UFO was oval in shape and it emitted an intense white light that made it appear 4 to 5 times greater in size than the public lighting system fixtures. "It came descending at a great speed and I noticed an inclination of about 30 degrees in relation with the horizon. This lasted not more than 7 seconds; shortly afterwards, I lost it after it went behind the construction sites," he said.

Furthermore, the young teenagers described how the object changed in color several times; first they noticed that it was fluorescent-green and later electric-blue in color. They absolutely discard the possibility that it was a meteor. Although it was fast, it was too low in altitude; additionally, its size and brightness did not fit the typical description of a meteor.

"An Encounter With A Creature Guaranteed To Send Chills Down Your Spine!"

Two of the young teenagers, Jean F. and Nelson C, who are residents of one of the parcels of the central area of Villa San Rafael, described a chilling experience that they went through last Saturday, 12 of January of this year (2002) at approximately 11:45 PM.

It all began when Jean noticed that his pet snake escaped from its cage. His friend Nelson noticed it was gone, so they began looking for it outside among the rubble of the parcel. They recall how half an hour before, their two dogs strangely began to howl and cry; however, it did not seem to be important at that point in time.

They searched for the pet snake together when suddenly, at about 30 meters from where they stood, they saw what appeared to be a stray dog. They immediately picked up rocks to throw at it to avoid an attack. However, to their surprise, the animal stood there, motionless and fearless; it did not get scared nor it ran away as ordinary dogs normally do. Shortly afterwards, the strange animal began to move towards them. The movements it made as it walked were very strange. It used two legs at a time. It made very small and short leaps like a rabbit. Suddenly, it stopped and it stood up on two legs. The teenagers shortly began to feel some kind of energy. "It was like an electrical shock in the stomach," they said. It later walked again (upright) making a loud dragging noise, making small leaps and only moving one of its legs. They thought that it might have been hurt after they threw rocks at it. They noticed the weird shape of the animal. "It was like a rugby football with legs," one of them said.

Jean began to feel frightened and started to move away from the animal. On the other hand, Nelson felt a strange need to get closer to creature; he got as close as 2 meters away from it. The animal appeared to emit a strange luminosity that apparently, was bright enough to light a small area around the animal in spite of the nighttime darkness of the place.

Nelson was mesmerized as he stared at such strange-looking animal. He remembers a detailed description of it. According to him, its head was like the one of a large dog and it had a flat nose like a bulldog. Its eyes were slanted and pale-red in color, which could only be seen when the creature turned its head from side to side like small lizards do. At that moment, Nelson claims that he heard a voice in his head saying, "don't stare, just run away."

They provided further descriptions of the alleged animal. Its ears were flat, round and large. Its arms were short, they had elbows and the hands had three fingers. It had hair like the one on a wild pig. Its legs were like the ones from a goat. The feet had also three fingers and a membrane like ducks, but somewhat shorter. He does not recall seeing nails because the grass was covering the tip of the fingers.

On its curved back, they were able to notice a spinal section covered with amounts of even thicker hair. According to the teenagers, the "thicker" hairs grew in small separated sections or groups down the spinal area and they pointed downwards. Most of the hair of the animal was gray, but the tail had a white tip. The tail appeared to be three times ticker than the one on a dog but it was very short; it was about 5 centimeters in length.

Nelson finally fled terrified form the area. He also described how he felt an inexplicable bone-chilling cold sensation. Finally, the teens returned home and did not want to go back to take a second look at the creature. These testimonies were taken separately from the teenagers, and yet, both accounts concurred entirely.

Jaime Ferrer R.

Calama UFO Center

Note: The last names of the eyewitnesses are not being revealed in order to protect their privacy.

On another note, we just received word that some of Jaime Ferrer's work is mentioned in the book 'Mothman and Other Curious Encounters' by criptozoologist Loren Coleman.

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Secrecy News -- 01/17/02

From: Steven Aftergood <<u>saftergood</u>@fas.org> Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 12:34:48 -0500 Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:10:28 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/17/02

SECRECY NEWS from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy Volume 2002, Issue No. 7 January 17, 2002

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PUBLIC FAVORS SECURITY, QUESTIONS SECRECY

The American public strongly supports most aspects of government security policy, such as rigorous background investigations for persons holding security clearances for access to classified information.

At the same time, however, "the public believes that far too much information is being classified," according to a newly released survey commissioned by the Department of Defense Personnel Security Research Center (PERSEREC).

The survey is based on polling data collected in 2000 by the National Opinion Research Center and is broadly consistent with the results of similar surveys conducted at two year intervals since 1994. A report on the latest survey, dated October 2001, was released yesterday.

"The people who were questioned in the surveys were not part of the security world," noted PERSEREC director James A Riedel. "For this very reason, their 'outsider' opinions were welcome.... Ultimately it would be impossible in a democracy to maintain a security system without the support of the general public."

See the new report on "Public Opinion of Selected National Security Issues, 1994-2000" by Suzanne Wood of PERSEREC here:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/othergov/pers01.pdf

GENEALOGY OF THE JFK ASSASSINATION CONSPIRACY THEORY

The widespread conspiracy theory that linked the Central Intelligence Agency to the assassination of President John F. Kennedy has its roots in a sophisticated Soviet disinformation campaign, according to an analysis by author Max Holland that is published in the latest issue of the CIA journal Studies in Intelligence.

According to Holland, a Soviet-inspired report in an Italian newspaper tying businessman Clay Shaw to the CIA led New Orleans district attorney James Garrison to his conclusion that the Agency was implicated in a cover-up of the Kennedy assassination. This view would later be dramatized in Oliver

Stone's movie JFK.

Holland's scholarly detective work makes perhaps the best use to date of the rich inventory of documents that were declassified at the direction of the Assassination Records Review Board (ARRB).

See "The Lie That Linked CIA to the Kennedy Assassination" in the Fall-Winter 2001 edition of Studies in Intelligence here:

http://www.cia.gov/csi/studies/fall_winter_2001/article02.html

Ironically, the CIA initially resisted compliance with the congressionally-mandated declassification of Kennedy assassination records, according to the 1998 report of the ARRB.

"The Review Board encountered early CIA resistance to making records available to the Review Board, as well as resistance to the ultimate disclosure of records. A small number of CIA staff officers, almost exclusively from the Directorate of Operations, unnecessarily impeded the process and damaged the Agency's interests by resisting compromise with all-or-nothing positions," the ARRB stated in its report.

"The fact is," says Holland, "they didn't understand the story buried in their own documents."

RUMSFELD: LEAKS IMPEDED BIN LADEN MANHUNT

Leaks of classified information are one of the factors that have impeded the tracking of Osama bin Laden and other wanted terrorists, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said on January 15.

"To the extent people run around and break federal criminal law and leak and provide classified information publicly, it is very harmful to what we're trying to do and that has happened," he said. See:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/dod011502.html

Rumsfeld has denounced unauthorized disclosures of classified information often since September 11, beginning as early as September 12. As a consequence, Assistant Secretary of Defense Torie Clarke said last week, the number of leaks has "dropped considerably." (See SN, 1/11/02).

INTELLIGENCE ISSUES FOR CONGRESS

The assorted intelligence policy issues that confront Congress in the aftermath of September 11 are reviewed and summarized in "Intelligence Issues for Congress" by Congressional Research Service analyst Richard A. Best, Jr., updated January 8:

http://www.fas.org/irp/crs/IB10012.pdf

EXCEPTIONS TO THE FIRST AMENDMENT

It is sometimes forgotten that there are numerous conditions and limitations to the freedoms that are guaranteed by the First Amendment to the Constitution. A Congressional Research Service report entitled "Freedom of Speech and Press: Exceptions to the First Amendment" by CRS analyst Henry Cohen, updated November 5, 2001, provides an instructive account:

http://www.fas.org/irp/crs/95-815.pdf

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 23:29:53 EST Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:13:32 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Gates

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:55:26 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>Neil Morris wrote:

>>In the final analysis, what Bond Johnson did or did not say to
>>Kevin in the phone interviews (and yes I do have a copy of
>>Kevin's tapes) has to be settled between the two parties
>>involved

Kevin Responded:

>Although I have tried to be polite, there are some things that >just annoy the hell out of me and this is one of them. Please >remember that I hadn't named any of the members of RPIT to whom >I had sent tapes. Neil volunteered this information himself and >then suggested that we, meaning Dr. Johnson and I, should >attempt to settle this matter. Oh, I have tried, for more than >ten years, ever since Dr. Johnson decided that he had seen the >real debris and that General Ramey didn't know what he had when >Dr. Johnson arrived at the office.

>For those of you tired of this debate, please punch out now. For >the rest of you, I pose a single question to Neil. Having heard >my tapes, having seen the correspondence between Dr. Johnson and >me, just where have I misrepresented anything in this long and >rather tiresome debate?

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>My point here is that Neil has the tapes, has the letters and >has other supporting documentation. Rather than deal with it, he >ignores it, suggesting that Dr. Johnson and I work out the >differences. I have tried and hoped that those on the RPIT who >should have more influence with Dr. Johnson could get some of >the answers. The question that remains is why have they been so >quiet on this point? Why won't they admit the truth?

An excellent point!! With all the evidence including tapes and letters why can't the people on the RPIT come to the valid conclusion, i.e. that the story changed and the current telling, although defended greatly, and apparently well liked by them, was not the first story told?

I find it interesting that in face of all the documented evidence, tapes and letters some people apparently don't want to admit the obvious because the conclusion is something they don't want to hear, or deal with.

One wonders if this same methodology, if you will, be used when something doesn't agree with "space ship parts" theory?

Besides changing storys, the next dead horse that seems to get beaten on and off is "Shandara said... Dubose told him...". As I

recall Shandara's so called interview was not taped or otherwise. Shandara's statement is only based upon "notes" he allegedly took at the time. I wouldn't hang my hat on the basis of notes which can't be independently verified.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 21:26:18 -0800 (PST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:16:43 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 16:08:56 -0500
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic</u>@verizon.net>
>Subject: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'

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>From the Prologue I became deeply impressed with how accurately
>Bruce managed to convey/portray, what its like for someone who
>has experienced 'missing time' in connection with an
>uncomfortably close-up UFO/occupant encounter - an abduction. He
>weaves into the story many of the details that are associated
>with the experience of UFO/abduction. His 'case study' is so
>faithful and is so deadly spot-on in the telling, that for most
>of the book I wondered to myself if Bruce himself is an
>abductee? How else could he know so many of the nuances of human
>psychology and response as it relates to those who have actually
>had to live through such a life altering experience(s).

I heartily agree with John's take on 'Abduction In My Life' - see:

http://mactonnies.com/ufobooks.html

The part of the book I had the most trouble accepting was the narrator's ignorance of the UFO/abduction phenomenon; even if you don't have the slightest interest in the subject, it's hard to avoid in our media-saturated environment. I recall hearing that the two most-perused subjects on the Web are sex and UFOs, in that order.

I suppose it's fitting that the narrator is a science fiction writer; I've been on panels with SF authors (usually better known than I) and they all seem to be self-appointed experts on UFOs when the subject comes up (as it invariably does...) I've found that the vast majority are mainstream SETI advocates, quick to belittle anything having to do with UFOs. Kevin Randle is the only exception I know of.

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Re: Kinross Incident? - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net> Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 01:10:25 -0800 Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:18:11 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident? - Hatch

>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 14:27:04 -0400
>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?

>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 06:06:43 -0800
>>From: Larry Hatch <<u>larry@larry@larryhatch.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?

>>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 01:39:05 -0400
>>>From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Kinross Incident?</u>

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Hello Don, sorry for the delays.

Keweenaw was the magic word, and the date 23NOV53 came right in... there is only one sighting in my records for that date, the so-called Kinross incident.

Here is everything I have for two weeks before and two weeks after that same date:

#3181: 1953/11/18 0730h 81:27:20W 39:25:0N NAM USA OHI MARIETTA,OH:BBK#UNK:OBS=ATHA:BRITE RED UFO: 2 JETS CHASE:ORDERED VERY SILENT Ref# 106 WILKINS,Harold: F.S. ON THE ATTACK Pg 298

#3182: 1953/11/19 ????h 3:37:00E 44:00:00N WEU FRN GRD le VIGAN,GARD,FR:MANY OBS:WHISTLE:WHT ORB PLUNGES down: STOPS:SHOOTS BACK UP:THUNDER heard Ref# 137 GROSS,L.:UFOs a HISTORY-1953/Book #3 of 3 Pg51

#3183: 1953/11/19 0620h 85:39:40W 30:9:40N NAM USA FLR PANAMA CITY,FL:VLARGE SCR CIRCLES NAVY ANTI-MINE BASE: GOES >N:shoots up VFAST Re: Kinross Incident? - Hatch

Ref# 137 GROSS,L.:UFOs a HISTORY-1953/Book #3 of 3 Pq51

#3184: 1953/11/19 0720h 28:24:0W 60:35:0N OCN ATL AIR 300mi SW/ICELAND:RAF B29:LONG CGR >>BY:ROW/PORTHOLES: FLAMES/REAR:NO NAVgn.LITES Ref# 137 GROSS,L.:UFOs a HISTORY-1953/Book #3 of 3 Pg50 IN-FLIGHT sighting.

#3185: 1953/11/20 1830h 75:40:0W 41:25:0N NAM USA PNS SCRANTON,PA:2 HI-ALT NLTS REVERSE DIRECTION: JOINED/3+3 AMBER NLTS:see /r137 L.GROSS Ref# 210 The APRO BULLETIN. Vol.2 Issue #5

#3186: 1953/11/23 1840h 86:30:0W 47:15:0N NAM USA MCH 70mi E/KEWEENAW Pt,MI:RDRS:F89 JOINS UFO OVR LAKE: BOTH GONE/no trace:/r173p13 Ref# 98 MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS. #223

#3187: 1953/11/28 ????h 65:10W 12:00S SAM BLV BNI GUAPORE Rvr.,BOLIVIA:SCR OVR RIVER:PIPES:WATER POURS OUT: 6 PSH seen:ALL FLY WHEN OBS SEEN. (Location vague) /r113= LORENZEN,J&C: ENCOUNTERS w UFO OCC's Pg 144

#3188: 1953/12/1 ????h 7:48E 48:37N WEU FRN BRH STRASBOURG,FR:2 GARDENERS:BRILL.DISK goes BACK+FORTH/SKY: shoots >>S/VHI-SPEED:/J.GUIEU Ref# 137 GROSS,L.:UFOs a HISTORY-1953/Book #3 of 3 Pq 56

#3189: 1953/12/3 19:40 73:31:40W 40:40:40N NAM USA NYK BELMORE,LI,NY:1 OBS:PULSATING ORG OVOID-NLT:SUDDEN 90-TURN:1800mph:VHIGH alt Ref# 137 GROSS,L.:UFOs a HISTORY-1953/Book #3 of 3 Pg57

#3190: 1953/12/3 2310h 70:5:40W 42:2:0N NAM USA MSC NORTH TRURO,MA:JET SCRAMBLED:GND+RDR SHOWS BLIP: RAPID CHANGES/SPEED+ALT:UFO TYPE UNK Ref# 137 GROSS,L.:UFOs a HISTORY-1953/Book #3 of 3 Pg58

#3191: 1953/12/7 2130h 76:43:0W 39:05:20N NAM USA MLD OVR FORT MEADE,MD(PRE-NSA):ROUND-ASHTRAY UFO: WHIRRING SOUND:ERRATIC MOVES Ref# 120 GOOD,Timothy: ABOVE TOP SECRET. Pg 280

Pretty slim pickings; not just the numbers but the quality of sightings as well. The ash-tray saucer over Ft.Meade,MD sounds interesting (last case above).

November 1953 was generally slow worldwide, the whole year was a lull between the great waves of 1952 and 1954.

Best!

- Larry

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A Short Real Story

From: **A. J. Gevaerd <<u>gevaerd</u>@ufo.com.br>** Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:57:40 -0200 Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:22:35 -0500 Subject: A Short Real Story

Dear friends.

This material was extract from the book 'Somewhere In Venus -The Kumaras Story', released by Eust=Elquio Anddr=E9a Patounas. He is very well known lecturer in Brazil. I think his report will be interesting to many of you here.

A. J. Gevaerd, editor Brazilian UFO Magazine

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Returning to Earth

On May 11, 1951, in a private clinic in the district of Kalithea, Athens, Greece, 3:45 p.m., I once again saw the light on this planet. It was not the first time I was born in Greece, as I had had a previous incarnation there at the time they were erecting monuments which are nothing but ruins today. I was the son of farmers but had the gift of making statues.

Once I went to School of Arts to improve my learning skills, but was rejected for being the child of humble people. I was told I had better go back to the countryside, where I truly belonged. Even today I carry along this feeling of rejection, but I also know that I was the sculptor of some of the statues which are still standing.

Soon after my birth through a normal though difficult delivery (I weighed 6 kilos plus!), Dora, my mother, woke up in the middle of the night and as she looked at the my cradle saw a beautiful woman wearing a blue robe, with long straight black hair, who was rocking me and caressing. Thinking it might be one of the nurses, although improperly dressed, my mother went back to sleep.

In the morning, when breakfast was served in her room, Dora asked about the pretty nurse who had been there in the night. The nurse on duty, who had still not left, told there was no one else there besides herself and she had come into Dora's room during the night. But my mother insisted and told what the woman looked like. The nurse was adamant, though: no one had been in the room.

After my mother was released, I was brought home. At the time my family was quite wealthy and we lived in a big house in an enormous area. My room overlooked a garden and my cradle was close to one of the windows. One night , my aunt Maria, who lived with us, woke up and rose from her bed to go to the bathroom. As she passed our room, she saw the same woman next to the cradle. She was frightened and asked who she was and what she was doing there. Silently she was asked to remain silent. And then the mysterious woman was gone!

Some days after the woman's second apparition, a huge storm fell in the area where we lived, with strong winds, thunder and lightning. The window closer to my cradle was shattered, and pieces of wood and glass fell all over me. But I wasn't even scratched! We never knew who the strange woman was, if she came from this or some other plane, or what she wanted. All I know still is that all my present life on the earth plane, I have always been blessed with enormous protection, having escaped physical death several times and saved as if by a miracle. If there is a connection I do not know and it would probably not be a good idea to speculate.

I lived in Greece until June 1954, when my father, then an executive with a big American multinational company, decided to come to Brazil to take care of an estate left to him by my grandfather in Jacare=ED (S=E30 Paulo) and in other cities. During my three years' life in Athens, I fell in a deep well, then in a river, and overcame a series of minor accidents, with no major consequences.

In July 1954, we arrived at Santos' harbor (SP) on an Argentine liner called "Salta". During the nearly one-month journey, I was careless one day and fell in the swimming pool, and was saved by a passenger, a black gentleman who had become fascinated with me.

In Brazil, we settled on a ranch owned by my father, just off the town of Itaquaquecetuba (SP). We raised chickens and the estate was on the banks of Tiet=EA River, which was back then very clean and full of fish. My parents settled there and I was made to move to S=E30 Paulo City, the capital, because they had enrolled me at the "Graded School", an American institution where only English was spoken and taught.

>From ages 3 to 8, I only spoke Greek and English, and it was my father's wish that I graduate in that school. However, back in those days the diploma issued by Graded School was not officially recognized in Brazil, and I had to be transferred to an all Brazilian school. In the beginning, I felt it was rather difficult to learn the Portuguese language, but soon it was all very well.

Some years later, my parents moved to the capital and we settled in the district known as Para=EDso (or Paradise in English), two blocks from Graded School, which would later be moved out of the building, being replaced by UCBEU - Uni=E3o Cultural Brasil Estados Unidos (or Brazil-USA Cultural Union). The language school is still there today.

So as to keep my command of the English language, I was enrolled at UCBEU and studied there until I was 14, which has been very helpful in my life, not professionally speaking, but as a means to help me communicate with my brothers and sisters from other countries. One night in 1961, I, almost 10 years of age, left by the kitchen door (I no longer remember why) and walked to the adjacent building in the back of our estate.

It was a dark evening, though not very late at night, and I felt a sort of warmth coming from somewhere above my head. I was impelled to look up and I saw this truly unforgettable sight: a round object, with multicolored lights, hovering over our house. I thought it had the size of a king-size pizza (but I can't tell to what altitude it hovered, as I was too young for such estimates) and its lights were blinking off and on.

Thrilled at the sight, I went back in and called my parents to come and see what I had just seen. We went together to the back yard and beheld the object, still hovering in the same spot. We then called out the neighbors, who also saw came outside and watched. We decided to all come out into the street where we could catch a better view.

The object seemed to be spinning around its axis and it remained this way for a long time, until it began to move slowly towards Ibirapuera Park. As we watched it in awe, the object suddenly made three of four quick zigzag movements and disappeared like a flaming arrow in the horizon. At that very moment there were dozens of witnesses left in wonder and stunned by the phenomenon they had just seen.

That was, when I was 10 years of age, my first conscious sighting of an unidentified flying object. >From that day on, I have not stopped researching the event and I have not forgotten the feeling that there was something familiar about that. I knew what a flying saucer was! I can't explain it, but it was a natural thing to me.

Later on in my adult life I found out that my experience and encounters with extraterrestrials have begun in previous lives. In some of them I used to be scared at the presence of beings who come to me and calm me down, saying there was no need to fear them. This is a kind of familiar feeling that throbs in my heart, and an indescribable love for words issued by such beings, whoever they are.

A few years later, when I was riding a bike with a friend at Ibirapuera Park in S=E30 Paulo, one late afternoon, we looked up and saw two disk-shaped objects, similar to two overlaid saucers, hovering above a statue. As we watched them we made sure they were not hot air balloons (actually my friend and I were experts and making that sort of balloon), and my friend was most distressed and rode away from the scene. Maybe contaminated by his panic, I freaked out too and fled, and we never knew what happened next.

In those days I was beginning to ask my dad to cut out news from newspapers that mentioned extraterrestrials, flying saucers and things of that nature. I used to watch every movie about it, and often more than once. A obsession with the space theme was beginning to overwhelm me, and I still feel to this day.

During my childhood and teenage years I would often dream about flying saucers and space aliens. But those beings I used to see in my dreams were exactly like us humans. We would talk at length about trivialities and I would often ask them about planets, their origin and customs, the length of space travel, their society, etc. They were always kind enough to answer to my queries, but their answers had to fit my level of immature comprehension. In addition, I used to feel that those dreams (let's call them so) were interrupted after our conversation, or in other words, we would talk about lots of things and soon after I could remember nothing.

When I was 11 or 12 years old, I began to develop an absolute dread of lizards. It was an unexplainable feeling and I still don't know whether it had to do with fear or disgust at their apparently transparent and cold bodies, or something else. Wherever there was a lizard you were sure to find me several feet away, and sometimes I would lock myself in the bathroom or a closet. I made some inquires with my parents and relatives to check whether sometime during my early childhood that had an incident involving this little saurian, such as a lizard dropping onto my boy, some ill prank made by a friend, etc. But nothing ever seemed to satisfy my curiosity on this matter.

A few years later, when I was 14 or 15 years old, I woke up dozens of times in the middle of the night to find my pillow soaked in blood. I do not recall having any dreams involving abductions or the insertion of an implant at that time, and my mother used to say that those bleedings were the result too much sun in the head... However, the phenomenon also occurred on cloudy and rainy days! It had nothing to do with heatstrokes or concussions. It happened naturally and, oddly enough, only at night, usually very late.

I was inexperienced in this area of ufology and I could never have imagined that some alien being had been poking something into my nostrils. Until today I have not learnt the true reason of those bleedings that lasted for so many years. The doctors never found anything irregular, although a X-ray of the paranasal was never done or requested. As my nose is big enough, I believe that if the aliens really did insert something into it, it have been too costly for them, for the raw material for implants into my nostrils would be enough for a dozen of normal-sized nose abductees...

We were Orthodox Greeks and used to go to the church frequented by the Greek colony in S=E30 Paulo, while at the same time my parents and tried to open our horizons for a more holistic view of life. My father, a precocious agronomist engineer (graduated at age 21) was also interested in the spiritualist doctrines, cosmology, exobiology and akin sciences. Never did he try to direct or influence my religious beliefs or professional future.

We had a library that was rich in scientific and spiritualistic

books, as well as in UFOs. My father had met Alberto San Martin, a Spaniard who had had an encounter with a blonde alien being and who had been given a rock with strange inscriptions, which led him to write the book "The Space Rock". I believe that was the first book I ever read about extraterrestrials. Thrilled with the story that taken place in Spain, I would save my monthly allowances to buy books about Ufology and UFOs, which I read greedily because of my enormous interest in the subject.

And those were my teenage years. Not a very dedicated student (I was kicked out of every school I every studied at, with no exception), I never bothered to hide my interest in studying flying saucers and extraterrestrials, going on hundreds of night-watches either by myself of with company, cutting out articles and news from newspapers, asking people if they had seen something and gathering up incredible testimonies that have never been published anywhere on this planet.

Every story and fact that I have heard about in my life have been recorded in my memory and it's safe to say that I they were ever written or transcribed, they would make hundreds of books. But that was my journey: whatever I heard was meant for my ears alone. I might have published them but I would be doing what others often do - write about other people's stories so that other people would read. My extraterrestrial friends have already told me that we can only teach others that which we have lived. It's no use telling or teaching what you have not experienced or learnt form personal experience, specially in the areas of human evolution and transformation.

I soon had collected a vast material on Ufology and pursued my studies and researches on my own, independently. It was a private search. I did not use to go to study groups and used to limit myself to absorbing my self-acquired knowledge. Already in those early days, orthodoxy, spiritualism, spiritual studies and exobiology merged within my being. My thirsty for knowledge far exceeded the dogmas and prejudices. I was a youth in search of the delicious moments that my age would allow, and I added to my natural teenage rebellion the frantic search for something that was rooted deep within my innermost being.

I still can remember if it were today the moment I found out there was an organization that officially studied Ufology. It was the APEX (Associa=E7=E30 de Pesquisas Exol=F3gicas, or Association for Exologic Research), whose office was in a spacious and comfortable house in district of Lapa, S=E30 Paulo, and whose president was Dr. Max Berezowsky, a physician.

With an indescribable feeling of joy I began to frequent their meetings every Saturday. Dr. Max was a scholar who admitted he had never had an experience with UFOs or aliens in spite of several and constant watches, and who also performed experiments in which he studied plants' sensitivity.

The group member were highly skilled, competent and dignified, and they used recording cameras, binoculars and were keen on researching the UFO phenomena. The walls in APEX were filled with pictures of flying saucers and the cheerful, heated up meetings were held every Saturday. I don't remember how long the joy lasted, but financial difficulties drove APEX out of the estate, which eventually led to its extinction, at least in terms of associates.

It was through that organization that I attended the Congress held at Teatro de Cultura Art=EDstica, in S=E3o Paulo, in 1979, when I had the great honor of meeting and talking to the late General Uch=F4a and Joseph Allen Hynek, besides other famous and renowned ufologists, such as Professor Fl=Elvio Augusto Pereira. It was an unforgettable event and the forerunner of the International Congress in Bras=EDlia.

>From that day on I began to keep in touch with other researchers, exchanging knowledge and experience, but still on a somewhat reserved level. The frustration about APEX's extinction affected me badly. Incidents involving UFOs were still present in my life. On a certain occasion, a strange object followed my bus for over 2 hours, from Curitiba to S=E30 Paulo. Sitting alone, I was crying with a terrible toothache.

Trying to keep myself busy, since I couldn't sleep, I started to observe intently an object in the horizon that seemed to be

following us. It was a reflection from the light inside the bus nor was it the headlight of a car - I was young but not too young as to not be able to recognize and tell natural from artificial or unusual phenomena.

Unable to minimize the excruciating pain I was in, I mentally talked to the object, saying, "If you are really a flying saucer, prove it by making my toothache go away." Whether it a coincidence, mind power, extraterrestrial influence or pure imagination, my pain was gone, I fell asleep and finished the trip in a pleasant way.

I spent 34 years as a militant UFO researcher, but in complete ostracism. I did not write to magazines, newspapers or other periodicals, and tried to understand, learn and research on my own. During all my youth I felt an impulse to write. Phrases and sentences would pop into my head and, hard as I tried to make sense of it, nothing would occur me until I sat in a quiet place and began to write those "soundless words". That was how I used to be told to write something. The first sentence was repeated over and over, almost driving me nuts, until I began to write. As soon as I had started the process, the messages would come in their entirety, and I would feel so overwhelmed with emotions that sometimes ended up crying and believed that I had written them down myself. We will elaborate on this in a future chapter.

And this persistence continues today, in a frequent contact with other orbs or dimensional planes, not when I want it, but when "they" wish it. Back in those days many of such messages were of a personal nature, encouraging me in my search and clarifying issues that lay buried in my mind. Whenever I asked something, there was no answer. The answer would only come much later, in due time and according to my level of comprehension. The more anxious I got, the fewer communications I received. Stillness was necessary so that my soul could learn to listen without the physical ears, in a ceaseless and necessary work of interior tuning.

Contacts became more frequent in conscious dreams, telepathic messages, fact that would be proven later, and that was how an irreversible process began not only of searching confirmation of alien presence, but also an inner search where only my personal experience and learning could provide the answers I sought.

Once I was sleeping and dreamed that a craft flew over my house and landed on the street. At that time I was tired and already had my first child, Eduardo. I remember that in the dream, right after watch the spaceship land, I asked my wife to close the kitchen door and call the police. When she picked up the phone, she realized the line was dead. In the meantime, an entity dressed in silvery garments came in through the kitchen door the very same door I had wanted to close. When I saw the creature coming into my living room, I said to it in English, "I am not afraid of you". I have no idea why I spoke English in the dream, as I hadn't practice this language for a quite a long time.

The entity didn't answer, but stood motionless at the passage between the kitchen and the living room, and then I noticed that there was a man sitting in the living room, and when I looked carefully, I realized there were two women with him. We then started a conversation in which I asked them where they'd come from, to which their reply was that they couldn't tell me. I asked the people got married in their home planet, and they said yes. They also said that a journey from their planet to Earth took 4 months and 20 days, but then one of the women corrected, saying that it actually took 4 hours and 20 minutes. The contradiction was never really clear to me. A curious fact was that during a long period in my life I used to wake up every night at 4:20 =AAm., completely sleepless and not knowing what to do about it.

I don't remember having my wife taking part in the conversation, for after trying, unsuccessfully, to call the police, she was nowhere to be seen. The entity standing by the door was different from the others, not only because of his clothes but because he never said a word during the whole encounter. The one who was answering my questions was a gentleman dressed as an ordinary Earth man, and the women would sometimes intervene; but most of the time they remained quietly seated and listening. I don't know how long we talked and have no recollection of how A Short Real Story

this dreamy encounter ended.

When I woke up in the morning, I went to work as usual. Back in those days I was a manager in a big bank and had as a habit to call home before leaving work and ask if my wife need anything (bread, milk, etc.). On that day, I dialed over and over but nobody answered the phone in my house. That was strange because we had a little baby and my wife was usually in at that time. I was very worried when I left the bank, and when I got home, I asked my wife why she answered. She told the line had been dead all day, but she didn't call the phone company from somebody else's telephone because she didn't want to leave the baby alone. But when I picked it up, to our surprise, it was working normally! Coincidence? Any connection with the dream? A confirmation that it hadn't been a dream after all?

I never had a satisfying answer - not that I needed one. Twenty years later, Budd Hopkins helped me unravel something about what had happened that night, putting me in conscious regression. The answers are of a personal nature, unnecessary here, but they were useful to confirm that what I experienced that night had not been a dream, but an abduction to a spacecraft, followed by clinical examinations and recalled free from trauma.

A great many things and facts have occurred throughout all these years, but are not the scope of this book. In my eternal inner search I have made lots of things come forth in my memory, and I try to share this knowledge so that people can find certain similarities in their own processes. Na old adage says that "when the water comes up, the well is ready". I want to remind you that we are all naturally perfect, only we don't stand perfect at the moment.

Let us now embark upon an adventure of consciousness!

Extract from the book 'Somewhere in Venus - The Kumaras Story' by Eust=Elquio Anddr=E9a Patounas.

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Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 05:23:48 -0600
Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:26:30 -0500
Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Lehmberg

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg</u>@houston.rr.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg
>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:24:52 -0600

>>Date: 16 Jan 2002 17:58:23 -0800
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u>
>>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg

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>>First you cover up the truth of Marciagate. Then you refuse to >>follow simple rules. You are a bad man!

... noticed the absence of any smiley emoticon thingy ...

None dare call it evil... but what is an "evil" but a complacency, an obfuscation, or a self-serving dodge. What is it but the convenient retreat of a two color science...

Is it but a busy shill for the obviously outmoded, a strident excuse for intellectual cowardice, or a passionate appeal for continued cognitive dissonance regarding anything outside a lack-wit mainstream's jealously shallow focus? What _is_ evil?

>I trust you have all had sufficient chuckles over this, and it's >justified. I stand (or sit, actually) rebuked.

Now _there's_ a great portrait of "too little too late"... and this from a guy that feels he's too cool for the room...

>Regarding 'truth of Marciagate', from what I know of the >controversry, the only untrue allegations concerning Marcia >Smith have been posted by Grant Cameron, not me.

Oh you clever, clever man! But let me remind everyone of a proposed difference between you and GC... he_ operates from a position of genuine concern regarding the thoughtful progression along an evidentiary path of items winnowed (with great difficulty) only from what can be gained via the diseased paradigm of closed institutions _you_ busily shill for! He holds the higher ethical ground even if he's wrong! _If_ he's _wrong_, he wrong for the _right_ reasons... and given the opportunity? He _would_ acquiesce. He _wants_ to be right. He _wants_ to know the truth. He _wants_ to live in a real world.

His data might _be_ bad, but his data is only bad because _your_ lot makes it well nigh impossible to gather, in the first place! Say what you want, but he would go where the data goes, while _you_ on the contentiously egregious other hand... well... why innumerate the patent obvious?

You suggest (thinly) that GC posts allegations he _knows_ to be untrue... and if that doesn't just take the pot/kettle/black cake...

...what _is_ evil but the knowing pot calling the innocent kettle black?

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~~=D6~~
EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL.
http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by the decidedly scurrilous.

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Re: Paradigm Clock Re-Set - Jonach

From: Kurt Jonach <<u>eWarrior</u>@electricwarrior.com> Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:43:06 -0800 Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 17:45:10 -0500 Subject: Re: Paradigm Clock Re-Set - Jonach

>From: Stephen Bassett <<u>SGBList2@aol.com></u>
>Message-ID: <<u>bb.19a89832.2978a2f3@aol.com></u>
>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 16:58:11 EST
>Subject: Paradigm Clock Re-Set

>Washington, DC - The Paradigm Clock has been reset to 11:58:00 >pm (two minutes to midnight)

>9/11/01 to 1/16/02 - The United States undergoes a >significant transformation which extends to domestic and >foreign posture as well as public demeanor. (>1 minute)

Stephen,

According to your assessment, we gained one minute, that is, we are now closer to ET disclosure than we were last September?

Honestly speaking, I would have said the transformations which occurred over the last few months moved the clock the other way.

I imagine that a Washington DC political activist, more than anyone else in the UFO community, knows about the current Administration's predilection for secrecy.

I would have thought that the Attorney General's new policy, to resist access to unclassified government documents through the Freedom of Information Act, hinders UFO research.

An Executive Order issued last November more or less confounds the Presidential Records Act. It has been suggested that this exercise of executive priviledge is intended to selectively conceal documents from prior US administrations.

So, I fail to see how that bodes well for the disclosure of a presumed 50 years of government secrecy with respect to extraterrestrial intelligence.

(I don't think you mind taking the input, or I wouldn't have mentioned it. Assuming there is anything to disclose, I would have set the clock back.)

-kj

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Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 11:02:28 EST
Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 17:52:57 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 16:46:11 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 19:43:14 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>>From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman@psln.com></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:39:08 -0800

>>>Yes, it is our contention that the debris on Ramey's carpet is >>>some of the actual debris brought from Roswell by Marcel and >>>that none of the debris is a RAWIN radar device.

>>I do not speak alone when I say that you guys are completely out >>to lunch on this, particularly your statement that _none_ of the >>debris is from a RAWIN radar target.

>>I can show you photos of the Rawins from that time period with
>>the identical white paper backing to the aluminum foil wrapped
>>around the sticks forming a straight white seam, just as you see
>>in these photos. The sheets of foil paper made up triangles 2' x
>>2' x 2.8', again evidenced in the photos. The stick lengths and
>>dimensions are certainly consistent with those used to make the
>>targets.

>David,

>As one of those "out to lunch" who _did_ come out with the >statement that _none_ of the debris was that of an ML307 can I >here publicly say I could be wrong.

OK, acknowledged. I was responding to Ed Gehrman's statment that "our" contention (meaning RPIT's) was that literally none of the debris could be accounted for by an ML307. Unfortunately, below you are back to claiming that most of the debris cannot be explained as an ML307.

>Over the last many weeks one of the RPIT members Andrew Lavoie a >Canadian Engineering technologist has been using some 3D >modelling software at his disposal to model the scene in >currently one, of the Fort Worth photographs. With the aid of >the software he is now getting size measurements of articles >within the image with aprox 2% error. He has a set of material >sizes given to him by Prof Charles Moore and taken directly from >the intact ML307 he still has.

I have been doing the same thing the last few days with a 3D ray tracer and also have measurements down to a few percent.

First of all, if memory services me, I don't think Moore's intact ML307 is an original. I think it is a reconstructed model made by Moore himself. Buyer beware.

Second, Moore is far from infallible on the specs. E.g. he gave the weight of the ML307 in his AF interview as being only 100 grams, or only a little more than 3 ounces. But the manufacturer in a 1947 article gave the weight as 12 ounces or around 350 grams. And a simple calculation of weight using reasonable assumptions about the material areas, thicknesses, volumes, and densities, also yields net weights in the neighborhood provided by the manufacturer. It's literally impossible to get the weight anywhere near 100 grams. The balsa sticks alone weigh more than that.

Third, the specs changed over the years. So again, don't get too hung up on one set of dimensions provided by Moore. The manufacturer may also have changed suppliers now and then and stock changed. Or maybe one month, the supplier mistakenly sent stock a little out of spec, and rather than junk it or send it back, they just made do with what they had on hand. This wasn't rocket science. They were a toy manufacturer making balsa kites for the Army.

Unfortunately neither the full specs nor tolerances for the sticks were specified in the engineering diagram published in the AF Roswell report, but some variation would be expected. Therefore I don't understand the extreme conclusion jumping that "this can't be from a radar target" when the measurements seem to be only a little bit off from Moore's memory of what the specs were.

I also don't get too spooked when somebody like Levoie says he finds a stick that's off by a millimeter or two in thickness from what Moore specified. That could be a normal variation from specs or a spec Moore never provided or even a mistake on Moore's or Levoie's part. I don't immediately conclude that this must be original Roswell debris and couldn't possibly be from a standard ML-307 radar target.

>Here's the interesting bit, _some_ of the measurements clustered >on _some_ of the debris _do_ fit within a few percent, but it >seems many more _do_not_ and this includes many of the struts,

I'm sorry, but I totally disagree. I would say the vast majority, not _some_ agree within a few percent in length. Of course, short pieces don't count, since they could be simply broken. I cannot find even one overly long piece, and only one piece which seems unusually thin (along the lower edge of the brown paper).

>some are out by 125% and more,

In what? Length, thickness? How many is some? One? A dozen? If things are too short, so what? Things can be broken into smaller pieces.

>also much of the edge tape seen >in the pictures does not meet the size specs Prof Moore >supplied.

This is a serious mistake. There is no "edge tape. The white line along the edge of the foil triangles is not "tape." It is the white paper backing to the foil wrapped around half of the exterior diagonal struts forming "sheaths" for the sticks with the white paper side out. This is clearly indicated in the engineering diagram.

Where any the tape comes in here is specified in a blueprint detail stating that the foil/foil seam where the wrapped-around foil paper comes back on itself was not to be glued but held together with clear acetate tape, an "exotic" material commonly called in this country by its trade name of Scotch tape. However, I and others have looked in vain for this tape, and everybody has come up with a big zero, not surprising, since it is clear.

The fact that this gross mistake is being made is a big red flag that there is still an incomplete understanding on your side as to how these targets were put together. Then apparently based on this misunderstanding, some of you then jump to the conclusion that something is way out of spec and further conclude that this can't be a Rawin target. It must be "real," "anomalous" Roswell debris. Now Karl Pflock concluded otherwise but was equally mistaken. His claim was that the white strip was clearly the Mogul white tape with "flower patterns." Problem is, again, this isn't white tape and he likewise doesn't know what he is talking about. And there sure as hell aren't any flower patterns to be seen, on the white strips nor anywhere else. The only difference here is that he twists the exact same misunderstanding of construction into supposed "supporting evidence" that this must be a radar reflector from Mogul.

>So can I now downgrade my statement to " only some of the debris >_may_ be from an ML307".

I have yet to see a single thing, not one, that couldn't be part of an ML-307. The fact that you state "only some" and further qualify and emphasize "_may_ be" from an ML-307, indicates to me that you are still well within Ed Gehrman's more extreme position that "none" is from an ML-307.

And it seems to be based primarily on serious misunderstandings on your part as to the construction of the radar targets.

I find myself growing increasingly irritated as I watch this whole debacle, originally started by James Bond Johnson about 3 years ago, unfold. He started out on some personal quest to prove that he had photographed the "real" Roswell debris. Also, for something to do with the feelings of Mrs. Ramey, he wanted to exonerate Ramey of accusations that he had lied about what happened and substituted a weather balloon for the real debris. See, it was the real debris all along.

Then he started spinning the story. It seemed to change practically every week. Unfortunately, he sucked in a lot of well-meaning people and got them to buy into the snake oil he was trying to peddle.

Now at first I thought sifting through the debris might be a worthwhile venture. This was clearly an aluminum foil and balsa radar target, but maybe something truly unusual got left behind in the confusion. I was glad that somebody like Neil was willing to take the time. Maybe something of real significance would emerge.

But then the investigation went off half-cocked. Instead of one or two things that might be anomalous, _everything_ became anomalous.

So here we are in what I and most others consider to be a complete waste of time, a needless diversion from far more important issues. The hardcore debunkers are chortling over the infighting amongst the "saucer buffs" over the patently obvious. The credibility of everybody ends up suffering as a result.

It's a classic example of looking at the leaves and failing to see either the forest or the trees.

I am also going to say to Neil, whom I like very much, that he and others are seriously hurting their credibility with what I and nearly everybody else considers to be utter nonsense. If you can't even get this right, why should anybody seriously consider anything else you might have to say about any other related matter?

>I still believe a significant portion of the debris remains >unexplained, none of the debris that exhibits anomalies has >provided measurements so far that match those of ML307 material.

Well, I respectfully disagree. I, nor anybody else, on the outside see anything anomalous, much less a significant portion. What I see are some confused people working off false assumptions. Unfortunately it didn't burn itself out and instead kept growing. Now it's an article in the MUFON Journal. The Rawin was never a Rawin -- it's the real saucer debris. (I'm sure I hear Dennis Stacy giggling somewhere in the background.)

Enough is enough! It's become embarrassing.

>>>>And is there less debris on the floor in the Newton shot than in >>>>the Ramey/Dubose photos?

>>>>This is an obvious result of the different angles from which the >>>>photographs were shot and nothing more.

>>I agree with Kevin Randle. The Newton photo uses a camera angle >>pointed to the left, showing the leftmost side of the brown >>paper with debris on top and misses a little bit of the debris >>to the right and out of the frame. It also does not show most >>of the debris below the paper and closest to the camera. The >>Ramey/Dubose photos has the camera further back, pointed more >>centrally, showing the complete collection of debris left and >>right plus pieces "below" the paper and closest to the camera. >>It's just a matter of camera angle.

>>The larger triangular piece with the stick attached being held >>by Col. Dubose while seated in the central chair is now more to >>the left and being held in Newton's left hand. Marcel also has >>hold of this larger piece with an attached stick. Newton has >>grabbed one of the smaller pieces from the left side and is >>holding it in his right hand.

>>Material has been moved around a little bit, but it's just looks >>like ordinary posing for pictures.

>>I agree that a careful inventory would be very useful (in fact, >>I am working on this now). So why the wild rhetoric from your >>side of the aisle that the debris has been removed in the Newton >>photo and thus "sanitized"? I see zero evidence of this. It just >>more nonsense about how this obvious radar reflector debris >>represents real saucer material.

>An example of "sanitization", in both Marcel images there is a >piece of twisted material seen at Marcel's feet, this is best >seen in MarceRight, where it can be spotted starting halfway >across the bottom edge of the picture and running up diagonally >about 30 degree to the left. The debris on show in both Marcel >images approximates to roughly the bottom right quadrant of >debris seen in the Newton image. Most of the debris seen around >the twisted piece can be spotted in roughly the same position in >this part of the Newton image, _but_ not the twisted piece.

The large triangular piece with stick attached held in Newton's left hand where he is posing to the left of the debris was previously over more to the right and further back in the Marcel and Ramey, Ramey/Dubose photos. Newton has laid the edge of the stick/triangular piece down right where this "twisted piece" was in the other photos. In other words, it may simply be a case of it being hidden from view by this large piece previously not in that position.

But instead you again jump to an unwarranted conclusion that because the piece can no longer be seen in the one and only one Newton photo, this necessarily means that it has been deliberately removed and the scene "sanitized" for Newton's appearance. I can't emphasize enough how incredibly faulty this logic is.

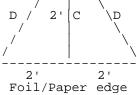
>That >piece of debris has a number of anomalies that single it out as >none ML307 debris, it's thickness is far greater than any foil >used in a radar target so much so that it shows clearly on one >end a very neat right angled folded lip, it also has clearly >defined raised /stamped markings.

Now, let me explain what it almost certainly really is, why it has that neat right angle straight fold, and why this is exactly what you expect to see in an ML-307 if you properly understand its construction details.

There are nine right-angle triangles making up the three bottom/outward facing corner reflectors of the ML-307. In construction these were made up of 4 larger right triangles of foil/paper and sticks, with stick legs of the right triangle of length 2'10", a hypotenuse of foil/paper 4' long, and part of the central framework balsa "spine" in the middle that was 2' long. (The remaining needed triangle was smaller and 2' x 2' x 2'10".) The bigger triangles looked like this (please make allowances for drawing this with text characters):

/ | \ D = Diagonal balsa sticks (9 altogether)
2'10"/ | \2'10" C = Central spine balsa stick (6 altogether)

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Foil/paper wrapped around D sticks (creating white seams depending on direction of wrap)

Foil/paper folded over C stick, forming straight rectangular impression of foil. Paper in contact with stick and glued to it.

Foil/Paper edge (glued and taped to 2 other C sticks from other triangular segments)

Now one of these triangular panels with a D stick attached is clearly visible being held by Dubose, Marcel, and Newton. Two or three more broken up, less complete ones are laid out on the floor, and then there are miscellaneous small fragments. That's what you would expect to see from a model ML-307 radar target that's been torn up. Most of the main foil/paper panels are readily accounted for.

Now here's a cross-section of where the foil/paper is wrapped around the D sticks with the white paper on the outside. That forms the so-called anomalous straight white seam or Pflock's "Mogul white flower tape."

White paper side (outside) ----- Foil/paper (Foil on inside) D -----Clear Scotch acetate tape across foil to foil seam Paper side (white)

And here's another paper/foil/stick joint where the paper/foil crosses up and over the central C stick, paper side down, and is glued to the C stick:

Foil side	 	Foil side
Paper side		Paper side

Note that the foil molds itself to the underlying stick shape. There is a nice right angle bend along a straight edge.

There are several clear examples of this in the Ramey/Dubose photo (where most of the debris is shown). The triangular panel near the left edge of the paper has this rectangular foil bend in the middle with a broken stick still underneath (and with ends poking out from underneath the foil). You can also see this rectangular ridge in the middle of the partial triangular panel directly beneath that.

In the case of the so-called anomalous bent piece, it is clearly an extension of an rectangular sheath piece just to its right and still connected to the "anomalous piece" by a small bridge of foil. It has been separated from the C stick underneath, a little bit which can be seen underneath just above the foil bridge. The rest of the stick extends out to the right where its end can be clearly seen on the rug underneath the long piece lying on top and laid out diagonally at about a 45 degree angle.

It looks to me like the foil/paper panel has been partially pulled away from the C stick. The paper, being glued to the stick, mostly remains behind, though shards of the white paper can still be seen hanging to the "anomalous piece" on the bottom.

And that's all it is. The "bareness" of the metal is easily explained (delamination of the foil paper) as is the right angle bend (foil molded to the underlying stick). The "symbols" are probably imaginary, just crinkles in the foil or maybe impressions left from being molded to the stick earlier. The 1 mm anomalous thickness I suspect is also strictly imaginary, since you are getting down to the pixel resolution of even the best of images. E.g., on Stan Friedman's negative scan, which is 4000 pixels across of the Ramey/Dubose photo, each pixel represents about 1/2 mm in that region. There is just no way to accurately resolve anything less than a millimeter in thickness. A very good example of a stick with some foil/paper and paper still attached lies directly below the "anomalous" metal piece (a portion of the anomalous piece runs underneath it). The foil/paper has been wrapped across or around the stick paper side in, and glued directly to the stick. To the left side, the foil is seen still attached and molded to the stick (the glued paper hidden from view underneath), but to the right of this, the foil has separated from the paper, and shards of white paper can still be seen glued to the stick.

Delamination of the foil/paper not only explains bare foil or paper pieces, it probably also explains the so-called anomalous white "thick pieces," which look like they've been cut out with a jigsaw. But I think the simple reality of it is, this is just torn foil/paper (hence the "jigsaw" pattern) that is partially delaminated. A little gap opens up in between, giving the illusion of thickness. The rest of the illusion occurs because the flash is so close to the camera lens, causing very little shadowing within the gaps. Instead, the spaces between the white paper on top and the foil below are filled with light, and it looks like a solid white piece of something with elaborate cuts in it.

>This none target piece of debris is nowhere to be seen in the >Newton shot even though it's associates in the Marcel shot are >still evident.

Maybe it's just covered up by that triangular panel Newton has set down very near to where it was. Why immediately jump to the conclusion that somebody has removed it to "sanitize" the scene? Besides, to me its obviously just a shard of aluminum foil separated from the underlying stick. There is nothing to "sanitize" here.

>>>If it's not a RAWIN, what is it?

>>No need to speculate here, since it is a RAWIN.

>David, the above piece of debris is clearly seen in the Marcel >images without any digital enhancement, what part of a ML307 >target was this?.

See above. You know what part of the problem is here? If you tear anything up, you are going to end up with bits and pieces that are difficult to place within the original object. They look unfamiliar.

Suppose we had torn up Ramey's dress uniform, thrown it on his rug, and taken some black and white photos. Then we have the tailor's original diagram, people start pouring over it and trying to match it to the pieces on the ground.

If you just step back and look at the photos, you can see a torn sleeve here, a torn trouser leg there, and it is obvious it is some torn up clothing. But if you look at the itty-bitty pieces under a microscope, a lot of it doesn't seem familiar anymore.

People start saying, "You claim that is Ramey's dress uniform, but this alleged sleeve is half an inch off the tailor's specs. And this piece... where did it come from?"

And for each little fragment you contest, somebody like me comes along and says, well I can't be sure, but it looks like it was torn from the lining of the coat. Then you find another fragment and claim it doesn't match anything on the tailor's diagram. "Can't be Ramey's dress uniform."

You can chase gnats like this forever. Stop chasing the gnats. Step back and look at the forest.

>Also in the Marcel images cables can be seen to the rear of a >beam section attached to a foil sheet, what part of a ML307 >target was this?.

I don't know. I remember looking at your Web site about 2 years ago and not making out much of anything. I don't have the image in front of me and your site is down. e-mail me a copy and I'll have another look. But I suspect it is just another gnat to chase. It takes a lot of time to refute this stuff, and I have things I'd rather be doing. I remember spending some time back then examining your "thick pieces" and telling you that it looked like an illusion caused by delaminated foil/paper. I sent back your blow-up with arrows marking edges which more clearly showed the separation of foil and paper and shadowing just beneath the top sheet. I never heard back. You seem to have blown this off and are still claiming there are anomalous thick pieces in the photos.

>I too have images of ML307's from 1947/48 and also images of the >ML307C Charles Moore still has, and the Army Signal Corp ML307 >drawings. I _cannot_ resolve these items. I therefore have to >conclude these items of debris, along with others I cannot >resolve do not belong to an ML307 as the AF concluded. If you >too cannot identify just these two items of anomalous debris >then I cannot see logically how you can continue in your stance >that _all_ the debris in the pictures is a radar reflector, >because these two items and few others plainly say it's not.

See my comments above regarding Ramey's suit. Fragments may look unfamiliar simply because the whole has been torn up and the spatial context has been partially lost. That doesn't mean they are from somewhere or something else.

>The twisted piece of material with the fold I mention is aprox >1mm thick and as _both_ sides can be seen to be shiny and >metallic in nature, due to the twist, there is no backing paper >involved here to beef up the thickness.

There are not enough pixels to accurately resolve the thickness (see above). Anything thinner than a pixel will still look a pixel wide. There is no backing paper, because it is glued to the stick and became separated from the foil. Shards of paper, however, can still be seen attached to the piece. There is nothing weird here Neil.

><snip>

>>However, I have looked over some very high resolution images and >>have yet to see anything out of the ordinary here. I had hoped >>maybe some "real" debris might have inadvertantly been left, but >>I have never seen anything like that. It's just torn-up >>foil/paper and some stick framework of a Rawin target.

>Isn't 1mm thick foil sheet with right angle folds out of the >ordinary enough? On an ML307??

You can't resolve 1 mm and there is nothing weird about right angle folds in the foil, which are _commonplace_ in the construction of the ML307's, where the foil paper is attached and molded to the stick framework.

>I'm not making this stuff up, go look and see for yourself in >the Marcel Right image... it also has the cable loom that an >ML307 didn't have.

>Neil

Send it on, Neil, I'll try to give it an honest appraisal. But from what I've seen so far, I'm not too hopeful that it is anything truly anomalous.

Honestly Neil, enough is enough. You did a great job of getting together a complete collection of the photos. But then you started going over everything with a magnifying glass and a pair of tweezers without fully understanding what you were examining. You've jumped to a lot of false conclusions as a result. Let's spend on energies on something more productive.

David Rudiak

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Re: Public Memo To James Oberg - Mortellaro

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>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg
>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:24:52 -0600

>>Date: 16 Jan 2002 17:58:23 -0800
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Grant Cameron <<u>sqquishy@altavista.com></u>
>>Subject: Re: Public Memo To James Oberg

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>>First you cover up the truth of Marciagate. Then you refuse to >>follow simple rules. You are a bad man!

>I trust you have all had sufficient chuckles over this, and it's >justified. I stand (or sit, actually) rebuked.

>Regarding 'truth of Marciagate', from what I know of the >controversry, the only untrue allegations concerning Marcia >Smith have been posted by Grant Cameron, not me.

Dear List and Errol,

Regarding the above... I recall, as a child, doing the same thing whenever my mom caught me doing something to Geraldine that I was _not_ supposed (at that age anyway) to be doing. I would whine loudly, "But Ma, Joey (deleted) her (deleted), it wasn't me. And besides, I didn't see her (deleted) anyway!"

And so, another episode in the life of one, Giacomo Q. Viecquaberg. Tune in again next week, same time, same station, when we hear Giacomo say, "I was't even there, I was robbin the register down the street. Honest!"

I would aks, 'How does one spell ptthththththth?'

Jim Mortellaro, in the voice of Charley (he's new in me)

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Re: Roswell Threads - Hutchinson

From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com</u>> Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 11:37:09 -700 Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 17:58:25 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Hutchinson

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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

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>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
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>>You assert that Roswell AAFB would have Rawins - implying that >>they would be familiar with the device and its uses. In July >>1947, Roswell did not have any ground-based radars. Indeed, in >>order to practice radar counter-measures, the 509th had to beg >>time from either the White Sands or Alamogordo radars.

>I'm not sure this is quite right. They did request the use of >ground-based radars at other facilities, but that seemed to be >for the diversification of their practice bombing runs rather >than a lack of ground-based radars at RAAF. There were several >types of mobile radars and some of those assigned to the base in >1947 have suggested that such radars were in place. I have found >documentation that places ground-based radars at Roswell in the >late summer of 1947 and there were radar technicians assigned to >the base throughout 1947. This search continues.

This is from a memo to the Commanding Officer of White Sands from Capt. Frye of the 8th Army HQ, at Ft Worth on July 3rd, 1947.

'There is a lack of ground radar equipment convenient to Eighth Air Force Bases which are located at Forth Worth, Texas, Tucson, Arizona, and Roswell, New Mexico; and since White Sands is easily within easy flying distance of all three bases, your cooperation is particularly desirable.'

Note that the Air Base at Roswell is specifically mentioned. If, as you speculate, diversification was desired, the three bases would simply have flown against each other's radars. If Roswell was the only one of the three that had a radar, then Ft Worth and Tucson would have utilized that system. But, it can be easily seen that this was not the case, and we have here the 8th Army trying to beg time from the White Sands people.

As for radar technicians, the bombers of the 509th were, IIRC, outfitted with airborne radar systems. Thus the need for radar techs.

I should also point out that most ground radars of the era were mobile, including the one at White Sands. My guess is that your sources are understandably a bit fuzzy as to exactly when Radars were first introduced at the Roswell base. The memo quoted above seems to be the only authority that can conclusively answer that question.

BTW - the memo quoted above, as well as the follow-ups from White Sands, Air Material Command, and Washington are at the following URL:

http://www.roswellfiles.com/FOIA/WhiteSandsRadar.htm

>>Given this, it is highly unlikely that anyone at RAAFB would require
>>the use of a Rawin, let alone have one laying around. Besides,
>>Rawins would not be of any use to a bomber wing- their primary
>>military use is for artillery units.

>Ah, but I think you missed my point which was they were also >used in atomic testing such as Operation Crossroads, which the >509th and the 1st ATU participated in. The 1st ATU supplied the >logistical support which means that the materials were staged >and flown out of Roswell and in those equipment packages would >have been weather balloons and Rawin targets. All equipment that >was not used was eventually returned to Roswell, so in this >case, it can be suggested that the balloons and targets could be >found in Roswell.

Again - doubtful. In my experience in the military, army-types are not pack rats. If you don't need it today, throw it away. If the 1st ATU utilized Rawins, then they would have taken them back, not left them with the 509th. If they had left them behind, the 509th would have thrown them out.

(snip)
>> Brazel's interview makes it
>>quite obvious that Marcel was not familiar with a Rawin ("he
>>tried to make a kite"), another good indicator that Rawins were
>>not available at the RAFFB.

>If we are going to accept this at face value, then we must also >remember that Brazel said that he had found weather devices on >two other occasions and this was nothing like those... except >the weather balloon and Rawin would have been just like those.

Brazel told the truth. He was used to finding piebald (painted) weather balloons - not unpainted, 'smoky grey' neoprene high altitude balloons. Standard weather balloon systems did not use Rawins. They were tracked visually, and sent back data via a transponder. Finally, they were tagged for a \$5 return. If you consider what the wreckage of a portion of flight 4 looked like, especially with a shredded Rawin thrown in, compared to a brightly painted weather balloon, then we can understand why the true identity was not obvious to either Brazel or Marcel.

Brazel initially dismissed his find as junk. It was only when he found out about the reward that he decided to turn it in. He also told Wilcox that his find 'looked meteorological'.

>And we have a farmer in Circleville, Ohio, who found a weather >balloon and Rawin target, a man who certainly never seen one >before and who was easily able to identify it for what it was.

Not hard, when it had a tag identifying the manufacturer as 'Case Mfc.'.

>The weather balloon and Rawin targets were not so extraordinary >that they defied identification by those who had not seen those >specific items.

And yet, even when there was an identifying tag on the wreckage, the farmer still turned it in as a 'Flying Disk'! Marcel did the same, although his 'disk' did not have a manufacturer's tag.

>>Regardless, it is very obvious that Rawins were not in use at
>>Roswell in '47, and it is unlikely in-the-extreme that one
>would >be available at the base to use as a 'substitution'.

>I would have to disagree given the fact that base personnel >participated in the atomic testing, and given the fact that >winds aloft data were regularly gathered at Roswell. How do you >suppose they gathered that data if they had neither radar nor >weather balloons and Rawins? Again, Rawins were not in use for standard weather balloon systems. They were not tracked by radar, but visually. Seeing as how weather balloons had been in use long before WWII - and before radar - the technology was well understood by all meteorologists of the day. The possible use of Rawins during the Pacific tests is immaterial. The 509th didn't use them- the meteorological unit did.

>>I am, however, pleased to see that you now assert the material
>>transported to Ft Worth by Marcel was indeed a Rawin/Neoprene
>>balloon, and that what is in Bond's photos is the same
>material. >Procter's story is 'compelling' evidence.

>>So- if the material transported to Ft Worth was a Rawin and >>Balloon, then there is only _one_ place where these could have >>be found in the Roswell area- Foster's ranch.

>But that wasn't the only place for them to be found. I believe >the assumption here is invalid for the reasons mentioned above.

Well - I try not to assume anything. The available facts indicate Roswell did not require, use or have available anything resembling the material pictured on General Ramey's floor. So if Marcel transported that wreaked balloon and Rawin, then Flight 4 is the only possible source in the area.

>>>But remember, Colonel Dubose said that the material displayed on >>>General Ramey's floor was a weather balloon cover story designed >>>to get the reporters off their backs.

>>Shandara got quite a different story from DuBose.

>Yes, Shandera alone got quite a different story from DuBose. >Everyone else who talked to him learned the same things we did. >Those include Billy Cox at Florida Today who commented on this >aspect of the controversy, Don Ecker at UFO magazine (US), and >even Kris Palmer from Unsolved Mysteries. Our interview (the one >conducted by Don Schmitt and Stan Friedman) is on video tape and >in the FUFOR archives and held at CUFOS, while Shandera's >interview is based solely on his notes with no independent >corroboration. Which version should we accept as closer to the >factual? That which can be independently verified or that which >is based only the memories of a man who had a rooting interest >in one specific aspect of the case? According to Shandera, he >did not record the interview, he just took notes.

Why should that factor into it? Jamie was most insistent with his questions- going over the same ground three times. He wanted a different answer. Yet every time, DuBose came back with the same answers.

BTW- my own personal take on the answers you got was that DuBose was referring to the 'simplification' of the explanation given to the press. Whether he or anyone on Ramey's staff knew anything about Mogul is open for debate - and I think very doubtful. However, they decided that it would be best if they just called it a 'weather balloon', rather then go into details about Rawins and such. That was the 'cover story' DuBose was referring to. And DuBose never claimed that there had been a switch of material.

Yeah - I know, that is just an 'assumption'. But it does fit the facts, and does not require a conspiracy. <gr>

>>>And remember that Jesse >>>Marcel, Sr., when shown the pictures taken in Ramey's office >>>told reporter Johnny Mann that it wasn't the stuff that he had >>>recovered in New Mexico. And, remember that Jesse Marcel, Jr., >>said that the debris in the photographs bore a gross resemblance >>>to what he had seen, but that it wasn't the same stuff.

>>That contradicts what Marcel initially told Moore and Pratt.
>>Jessies' first version was that the pictures of him were the
>>'real' stuff. It was only later that he changed his story.

>Actually, I don't think it does. While Marcel might have told >Moore that, I don't believe he said it to Pratt. Moore has >offered various versions of his transcripts as evidence, but he >seems to change them as the situation changes so I'm not >convinced that anything we find in them is accurate. Well, Marcel - in person - repeated this initial statement in the movie 'UFOs are Real'. <snip)> >We just have to sort through the >half- truths, lies, confabulations and mistatements, which can >be a difficult thing to do. Ain't that the truth! <gr>

Regards,

Bruce Hutchinson

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Mortellaro

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A commentary.

I've ordered the book based on the reviews I've read and knowing the work of Dr. Maccabee, I plan on enjoying it. However there are some misinterpretations mentioned in posts which require my comments.

'Real vs perceived,' that is the question. So damned many times on this List have I explained this conundrum that I am getting sick and tired of having to do it yet again. Alas, the truth of my own understanding of what has happened to me needs to be told again. Likely, this is the tenth time.

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To me these events (as I've said so many times before) are real. But there is the culture, the education and the intellect which says, "Hey, this stuff cannot possibly be!" There-in rests the dichotomy. There is an honest realization that these events might very well be due to infection by that methanogen Bruce Maccabee described in a recent post, or some paranormal out of body... who knows what... experience.

But whatever it is, it is and will _always_ be real to me. And people who do not question their experiences, search for a truth, examine _every_ aspect of it's nature, are fooling themselves big time.

This is not the Peanut Gallery. There is too much at stake to merely say "It happened" and give no credence to any other possibility. Of course, this is strictly my opinion. But my objection is that there are some on this list who, differing in that position, presume that to do what I do is wrong, against the code. Not in consort with what an experiencer should do... tough! I think that to not question is ludicrous in the extreme.

To that I respond... well, never mind what I respond. It is just too silly, immature and ridiculous not to question everything until the absolute truth is known.

Otherwise, why the hell do people who call themselves researchers, some of whom really are, spend their lives looking at and studying this phenom? To say whether one single event is real? Or to investigate _every_ event in order to come to a general conclusion of absolute truth. If it were merely a fait accompli, then this list is redundant. Let's everyone believe _you_ , whomever _you_ may be. And nothing else is necessary.

Hi, I'm Doctor Gordy, and I've invented Avacor. Are you going bald, well rub this crap on your head and I swear, you'll have the hairiest fingertips you ever saw. Honest. Believe me. Buy

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it. Buy it now. And smoke Gripple Grappa. It won't make you sick, in fact, it's good for the digestion.

Right.

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Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 14:52:54 -0500
Fwd Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 18:18:08 -0500
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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

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It was the testimony of the abductees in Budd Hopkins' book, "Missing Time" that turned me inside out. I spent that first night chain smoking, pacing the floor, and muttering out loud. Some thing I had never done before in my life. I was so shaken and upset that I cried that night. As if a loved one had died. It turns out that the "loved one" I was mourning was me. The 'me' I was before I learned the truth.

I kept asking myself, 'how' could these people (the abductees in

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Budd's book) _know_ things that I had never told to anyone. Things that I had never before heard others give utterance to. Things that I had always kept to myself and 'secret' for fear of being thought of as a nutcase by my friends, family or peers. Of all things, the mere thought that all my oddball, unexplained memories of strange, and most times frightening events, were somehow connected to UFOs and aliens was completely abhorrent to me. I am a lifetime amateur astronomer and chess player, someone who loves science and the beauty of logic. My entire world view was shattered into ten thousand tiny pieces by the revelation.

I have always prided myself in being a well grounded person and a man of common sense. The process I went through was very similar to that of the narrator in Bruce's story. If I was to sign my name to the bottom of the one page Prologue to Bruce's book, I wouldn't have to alter a word of it to keep it true. Like the narrator, I _was_ for all intents and purposes ignorant of the reported details surrounding UFOs, abductions, or ufology.

Aside from the fact that the narrator character in the book is a 'tool' that Bruce used to educate the reader, (who learns as the narrator learns) I found I could relate to his learning process and to all the many emotional and intellectual changes that he goes through. Even down to the way he initially walks on eggs about the subject with his family members. It was all a close parallel to my own real-life experience.

All of the above is part of the reasons I enjoyed the story so much. I found I could relate to the process that both the narrator and the subjects/abductees went through. Maccabee nails all the nuances and details pretty accurately.

>I recall hearing that the two most-perused subjects on the >Web are sex and UFOs, in that order.

Sex is popular and rampant on the Internet? No! I don't believe you. I'll have to schedule a couple of nights this week so that I can personally verify your outrageous claims. I'll report back to you after I take my right hand to the barber for a haircut. :-0

Warm regards,

John Velez ;)

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Roswell - The Tourist Trap

From: **Steve Owens** <<u>steve</u>@usviews.com> Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 17:43:27 -0600 Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 08:30:15 -0500 Subject: Roswell - The Tourist Trap

This concerns the 'Roswell Threads' and the notion that Roswell, New Mexico owes its recovery from the Walker AFB closing to the ballyhoo and following controversy concerning a possible UFO crash.

First, Roswell had already "recovered" from the Walker closing. In 1976 Roswell was named as an "All American" city because of this success. Roswell's leaders used Walker as a manufacturing base and as a training center for jumbo jet pilots among other things. The base housing was converted into affordable housing for low to middle income families once the "ghost town" housing in town was claimed. Companies like Luftwaffe and Transportation Manufacturing Corp. came into Roswell to join the established ranching, farming, and oil based industries.

Roswell's ties to the space community came long before the claim of a crash. Robert H. Goddard is cherished in Roswell history and there are several institutions in Roswell named in his honor to include a high school and a space museum complete with planetarium.

The only reason the center of town (Second Street and Main) has been made into a 'tourist trap' is because there is a market for it. The Chamber of Commerce has used the Alien controversy to help the town. Why not? However, the notion that Roswell exists only to service the tourists resulting from the crash controversy is absurd. The town was thriving before story hit the big time and will after it recedes.

One final note: I grew up in Roswell. Until about 1988 none of my friends and none of their families ever talked about there having been a crash. My dad pastored a church full of 'old-timers' and families that had been in Roswell for generations. No one at any time mentioned anything like what was later reported regarding the crash. Now several have crash stories. More than one has told me the stories they tell are rubbish but that it makes them a little money on the side.

I really don't know what happened around Roswell in July 1947. I do know that there are truck loads of misinformation being circulated as fact because 'investigators' choose to hear what they want instead of substantiating claims.

Go Coyotes.

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 08:33:12 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Maccabee

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Naturally I greatly appreciate John's review of my book. but _Don't_ read this book... if you are already an expert and know everything.

Instead, give it to the _intended_ readers, namely those who would not ordinarily pick up a UFO book - and certainly not a UFO fact book - to read.

This is intended for the un-informed audience - although the philosophical discussions presented are intended for those who know what is going on.

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Kinross Incident And Gas Relases

From: **GT McCoy <<u>qtmccoy</u>@harborside.com>** Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 01:55:47 -0800 Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 08:49:15 -0500 Subject: Kinross Incident And Gas Relases

Hi all,

This link mentions the possiblity of a huge gas release due to volcanic action in the Congo. Methane and CO2 are the likely ingredients for this scenario.

http://news.bbc.co.uk/low/english/sci/tech/newsid 1768000/1768321.stm

No Volcanoes in Michigan, of course, but the mechanics of this are-interesting.

GT McCoy

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 22:32:04 -0800 (PST)
Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 09:01:24 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 14:52:54 -0500
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
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Thanks for your perspective on this. I guess I approached Maccabee's character too self-centrically. I've grown up on a diet of "weird" reading material, and the idea of alien intervention seems almost like a "given" to me.

Please note that I'm addressing the _idea_ of alien intervention, not personal experience. In all probability, if I had a traumatic CEIII I'd be grasping for alternative explanations right and left. The "obvious" might not be so obvious after all.

I still think Maccabee's character's vocation as a science fiction writer was probably a bad choice, but I can appreciate the usefulness of this as a narrative device.

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From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 02:39:01 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 09:04:21 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Hatch

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 12:15:43 EST
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

>A commentary.

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Hello Jim: If I may butt in here..

For somebody like me, having seen nothing I could really call a UFO, and no abduction symptoms whatsoever, its all too easy to say that its all in so-and-so's head.

What impresses (and mystifies) me is not only the consistency of details, but the fervent emphasis that you and others have expressed, on the absolute personal reality of these experiences.

Here we have people who seem perfectly normal in every other respect, with tales that just totally tax peoples ability to believe.

This is _not_ like religious beliefs. In religion (as I see it) we have a sort of suspension of logic and reason, which enables the adherent to "believe" whatever dogma suits him or her the best.

The abductees, at least the sensible ones, are searching for any decent explanation at all, even a possibly psychological one. That's just the opposite of taking things on faith.

A classical mental case may "see and hear" things that just ain't there. They are extremely "real" to such a person. But! You and some others just don't sound like mental cases to me, even if still others do.

This leaves the reasoned non-experiencer dangling on a fence. Wherein lies the reality of all this?

I would not exclude psychiatric or psychological examination. I would bet that many abductees have sought professional assistance. If nothing else, the shrink can hopefully confirm the presence or absence of any delusional traits.

If absent... then other explanations simply must be sought. I would not give up hope for some sort of tangible evidence.

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PS from LH: I see I'm not the only one who cannot spell Bruce's name properly.

PPS: The *U* Beer clock is now past midnight (PST). Alas its too late now! ... Aaaaaaargh!

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Roswell Threads - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 09:37:08 -0400 Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 09:07:23 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Friedman

>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:37:01 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 19:23:21 -700
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

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>>>Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 09:19:42 EST
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
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>>>And remember that Jesse >>>Marcel, Sr., when shown the pictures taken in Ramey's office >>>told reporter Johnny Mann that it wasn't the stuff that he had >>>recovered in New Mexico. And, remember that Jesse Marcel, Jr., >>said that the debris in the photographs bore a gross resemblance >>>to what he had seen, but that it wasn't the same stuff.

>>That contradicts what Marcel initially told Moore and Pratt.
>>Jessies's first version was that the pictures of him were the
>>'real' stuff. It was only later that he changed his story.

>Actually, I don't think it does. While Marcel might have told >Moore that, I don't believe he said it to Pratt. Moore has >offered various versions of his transcripts as evidence, but he >seems to change them as the situation changes so I'm not >convinced that anything we find in them is accurate.

>I think there may have been some pictures taken in Roswell with >the real debris but I have never found them and I know of no one >who has ever seen them. On the other hand, when Marcel was shown >the pictures taken by Dr. Johnson in Fort Worth, he told >reporter Johnny Mann that those photographs showed the weather >balloon. He didn't seen to hesitate in that identification.

>This part of the story has become quite confused by those who >had agendas to push. Moore has changed portions of his >transcripts to suit his purposes. Shandera has offered an >alternative story but can provide neither tapes nor >documentation to substantiate his claims. Dr. Johnson has >radically altered what he has said, attempting to convince us >all that there was real debris in General Ramey's office. There >are reasons to believe that weather balloons and Rawins were >available at the RAAF in 1947. We just have to sort through the >half- truths, lies, confabulations and mistatements, which can >be a difficult thing to do.

I think there are a number of points that have been left out.

1. We know another place not too far away from Roswell where there were lots of weather balloons and radar targets, namely White Sands and Alamogordo Army Air Field.. now Holloman . They were launched 72,48,24, and 4 hours before each V-2 launch according to the Alamogordo newspaper on July 10. The front page headline story that day was "Fantasy of "Flying Disc" Explained Here" with 3 related pictures.Balloon and target combinations were actually launched for the press according to the article.The people involved worked for Air Materiel Command.

2. We know that General Nathan Twining head of the Air Materiel Command at Wright Field had a bunch of people working on Mogul and other balloon projects at AAAF.

3. We know from many newspaper articles that week that Twining had already been tasked to look into the flying saucer stuff especially the question of whether they might be from a Secret US R and D Projects.

4. We know from the flight logs of Twining and his pilot that he arrived at AAAF from Dayton on Monday, July 7. and Stayed in NM until that Friday, July 11. He was very close to General Vandenberg, then vice chief of Staff of the Army Air Force. Chief Spaatz was off in Seattle and then in Port Aransas, Texas, fishing that week.The staged launch on July 9 must have had Twining's approval if not direction. He certainly could have arranged for balloon junk to be sent to Ramey.

5. Many of the many newspaper articles about Roswell which appeared in PM papers from Chicago West,on July 8, and grew throughout the day, as calls were made to Roswell for more info, stated the debris was found "last week". This surely ruled out the Mogul Balloon-being-found-on-June 14 nonsense suddenly stated on July 9.

6.If all there was was a single weather balloon, as suddenly and belatedly recalled by Cavitt, (covering only 20 feet square), Brazel would have put it all in his truck and taken it to the sherriff's office. There would have been no reason for Marcel and Cavitt to take the long rough trip back to the Foster Ranch in his wake. No highways then; a big cross country stretch. Recall that the coverup article RDR on July 9 said the area covered was 250' in diameter. Also please recall that there were no articles in the big morning papers on July 8 about Roswell so the conflicting testimony would not have been obvious.

Stan Friedman

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Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

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>>>Brazel's interview makes it
>>>quite obvious that Marcel was not familiar with a Rawin ("he
>>>tried to make a kite"), another good indicator that Rawins were
>>>not available at the RAFFB.

>>If we are going to accept this at face value, then we must also
>>remember that Brazel said that he had found weather devices on
>>two other occasions and this was nothing like those... except
>>the weather balloon and Rawin would have been just like those.

>Brazel told the truth. He was used to finding piebald (painted) >weather balloons

How do you know that's what he had found?

>- not unpainted, 'smoky grey' neoprene high
>altitude balloons. Standard weather balloon systems did not use
>Rawins. They were tracked visually, and sent back data via a
>transponder. Finally, they were tagged for a \$5 return. If you
>consider what the wreckage of a portion of flight 4 looked like,
>especially with a shredded Rawin thrown in, compared to a
>brightly painted weather balloon, then we can understand why the
>true identity was not obvious to either Brazel or Marcel.

So you are saying a kid who has previously only seen red and green balloons wouldn't recognize a balloon if it were some other color? That seems to be what you are saying. Two grown men couldn't tell they had found a balloon. Blanchard at the base couldn't recognize a balloon either, nor I imagine other people there who probably saw the debris.

Incidentally, Marcel was quite familiar with electronics, being a radio ham. So if there had been a radiosonde in the debris, he probably would have recognized it. He had also taken a month-long radar intelligence course at the end of the war and one of his job titles was radar-intelligence officer. He would no doubt be familiar with the foil/paper chaff used in radar jamming, since part of his course involved radar countermeasures. This was the same stuff used to make the Rawins. (See also Dubose's comment below from 1947, where he noted the similarity of the chaff to the material in the radar target.) So here's the scenario you seem to be trying to paint. Marcel comes across some obvious balloon material, but supposedly can't recognize it because it is grey. He is also completely unable to recognize aluminum foil laminated to paper, even though it's the same stuff used in the radar chaff, or to wrap chewing gum for that matter. He also apparently couldn't recognize balsa wood and Scotch tape, two more "exotic" materials used to make the Rawins.

From this he jumps to the conclusion that he must have found a flying saucer.

Somehow he convinces base commander Blanchard of the same thing, and Blanchard, for unimaginable reasons, issues the press release. Cavitt, who was with Marcel and claims he realized it was a weather balloon all along, can't be bothered to ever tell Marcel this, or Blanchard either. This doesn't sound like an elite AF base charged with flying A-bombs -- it sounds like F Troop.

The press release causes a press feeding frenzy that not only descended on Roswell, but Gen. Ramey and the Eighth AF in Fort Worth, and into the upper reaches of the Pentagon, including acting Chief of Staff Vandenberg. There were going to be some awfully angry generals demanding answers and some scalps for such a colossal and embarrassing foul-up.

But absolutely nothing happened afterwards. There was no investigation. There were no reports written explaining what had happened. Marcel got recommissioned and year later was still on the job as head of intelligence at Roswell. Both the SAC and the Pentagon wanted him for higher intelligence work. The SAC wrote the Pentagon they already had him in mind for a "key" position. The SAC briefly made him chief of some sort of foreign air intelligence division. This is a man who supposedly couldn't recognize rubber balloons, chewing gum wrapper material, Scotch tape, and wood used to make kid's kites.

As this was happening, senior officers were writing reviews of Marcel. Blanchard's review the following spring and that summer were the best of Marcel's career to that point. He called him "highly dependable" and gave him superior ratings on his ability to reach logical decisions. Does this sound like somebody who couldn't identify a balloon as a balloon?

Col. Dubose who indorsed Blanchard's first evaluation, recommended him for Air Command and Staff School. Both Blanchard and Dubose had earlier recommended his promotion to Lt. Col. in the AF Reserve.

Col. John Ryan, who was replacing Blanchard at Roswell as Marcel was being transferred, said Marcel's career was "most outstanding" and "most exemplary." Gen. Ramey likewise referred to Marcel as "outstanding" and future command officer material. He also registered a mild protest over his transfer, saying he had nobody within his command to replace him. I guess Ramey had nothing but incompetent intelligence officers at his disposal -- eh?

So all the officers who would have known whether Marcel had screwed up are instead praising him. Ramey's statements are especially telling here.

It should also be pointed out that Marcel wasn't alone in thinking the material was anomalous. E.g., Bill Brazel Jr. reported independently the exact same physical properties as Marcel for the debris fragments he found afterwards. Bill Rickett, one of the CIC men in Marcel's office, spoke of the thin metal material he was unable to bend. Gen. Arthur Exon said he was informed of the physical properties of the material while he was at Wright Field. Some of the descriptions matched those of Marcel. Obviously, they wouldn't be testing an aluminum foil radar target at the Wright Field labs.

These were just a few of the witnesses to the anomalous debris. But like a typical Roswell debunker, you make it sound like this was only Marcel's story.

>Brazel initially dismissed his find as junk.

Says who? His neighbors the Proctors said the usually taciturn

Brazel was unusually animated and mystified by what he had found. This was before he went to Roswell and knew anything about the flying saucers.

Loretta Proctor said Brazel spoke of the anomalous "memory foil" and also brought a small piece of the "balsa-like" material, except unlike balsa, it was hard and smooth, couldn't be marked with a knife, and was unaffected by flame. These were the same anomalous properties for this material described by Marcel and Brazel Jr.

>It was only when he >found out about the reward that he decided to turn it in. He >also told Wilcox that his find 'looked meteorological'.

Well UP quoted Wilcox as claiming Brazel thought it might be a "weather meter." But Brazel contradicted this statement by Wilcox in his interview later that evening. According to the Roswell Daily Record story, Brazel said that "'whispered kinda confidential like'" to Wilcox "that he might have found a flying disk." No "weather meter" here.

More tellingly, at the very end of the interview, he categorically denied that it was a weather balloon. "Brazel said that he had previously found two weather observation balloons on the ranch, but that what he found this time did not in any way resemble either of these. 'I am sure that what I found was not any weather observation balloon.'"

So if he never though it was any sort of weather balloon, why would he tell Wilcox he thought it might be a "weather meter"? And why would he instead, when interviewed, claim he had told Wilcox that he thought he had found a flying disk?

Wilcox's statement may be better understood when one realizes he was giving contradictory statements to the press, such as when Brazel came to town (UP: "day before yesterday" or Sunday; AP "Monday") and when Brazel had found the object (UP: "About 3 weeks ago"; AP: "Two or three days before") Furthermore, according to AP, Wilcox declined to elaborate on the description of the object saying "I'm working with those fellows at the base."

What this tells us is that Wilcox was not speaking as an independent agent. His family tell us he was threatened. Likewise AP reporter Jason Kellahin knew Wilcox well and said he spoke to him around the time he also interviewed Brazel at the Daily Record. Kellahin wrote in his affidavit, "Wilcox said the military indicated to him it would be best if he did not say anything."

>>And we have a farmer in Circleville, Ohio, who found a weather >>balloon and Rawin target, a man who certainly never seen one >>before and who was easily able to identify it for what it was.

>Not hard, when it had a tag identifying the manufacturer as >'Case Mfc.'.

>>The weather balloon and Rawin targets were not so extraordinary >>that they defied identification by those who had not seen those >>specific items.

>And yet, even when there was an identifying tag on the wreckage, >the farmer still turned it in as a 'Flying Disk'! Marcel did the >same, although his 'disk' did not have a manufacturer's tag.

Immediately above, you claim Brazel thought it meteorological. Now your claiming he turned it in as a flying disk. Make up your mind.

You are also begging the question by assuming Marcel did find a Rawin and turned it in as a flying disk. Maybe he found a flying disk and turned it in as a flying disk.

<snip>

>>>I am, however, pleased to see that you now assert the material
>>>transported to Ft Worth by Marcel was indeed a Rawin/Neoprene
>>>balloon, and that what is in Bond's photos is the same
>>>material. Procter's story is 'compelling' evidence.

>>So- if the material transported to Ft Worth was a Rawin and >>Balloon, then there is only _one_ place where these could have >>be found in the Roswell area- Foster's ranch.

>>But that wasn't the only place for them to be found. I believe >>the assumption here is invalid for the reasons mentioned above.

>Well - I try not to assume anything. The available facts >indicate Roswell did not require, use or have available anything >resembling the material pictured on General Ramey's floor. So if >Marcel transported that wreaked balloon and Rawin, then Flight 4 >is the only possible source in the area.

Absolutely, totally wrong!! You are obviously just recounting old debunking material. Even Charles Moore of Mogul has backtracked on this, and now acknowledges that a White Sands weather station, only 35 miles from where they launched the Moguls, was using them as well for V-2 launches.

So that was certainly another possible source. And since Ramey and Newton and the FBI telegram in 1947 all spoke of a singular balloon and radar target, there is no reason to presume that what was shown in the photos had to come from Mogul. The crashed Mogul was supposed to be multi-balloon, multi-Rawin, remember? Furthermore, the Fort Worth photos, when carefully analyzed, clearly indicate that there are only the partial remains of _one_ target.

Yet Brazel in his interview said he rolled all of the sticks and foil into one bundle. If this was a Mogul, one would expect more than one target in that mix, and this should be evident in some way in the photos.

But no. There is not enough material there to account for even one complete target. There are no extra sticks and no extra foil panels. This was indeed the remains of _one_ target. And without multiple targets, there goes a key piece of evidence that what Ramey displayed came from a Mogul.

Instead, it could have been a singular Rawin that Ramey had flown in from somewhere else, such as the White Sands weather station, or Fort Sill, or the Army weather station at Kansas City which used them. Those are the closest places that I know about, all less than 2 hours by plane. Furthermore, the Army weather station near Wright Field used them. One was demonstrated at Boeing Field in Seattle the next day, used by the U.S. Weather Bureau. Within only a few days, the newspapers reported two or three that crashed in California, several more in Ohio, one in Kansas, one in Arizona, and one in New York.

Obviously the Rawins were used elsewhere. Even Fort Worth AAF demonstrated one on July 10. They invited a Fort Worth Star-Telegram photographer out for a Rawin demonstration launch that morning. Three photos were taken, one of which appeared in the Star-Telegram the next day with a caption saying that the radar targets explained Roswell and the nationwide flying saucer reports. Also pictured in those photos was a radar trailer. Yet neither the Rawin nor the radar trailer were supposed to be at the base. Either that is wrong, or they simply brought them in from some nearby location that did have them.

So why couldn't Ramey simply fly in a Rawin from some nearby location on Tuesday? That would be much easier than bringing in a Rawin _plus_ an entire radar trailer for his little debunking demonstration two days later.

>>>But remember, Colonel Dubose said that the material displayed on >>>>General Ramey's floor was a weather balloon cover story designed >>>to get the reporters off their backs.

>>>Shandara got quite a different story from DuBose.

>>Yes, Shandera alone got quite a different story from DuBose. >>Everyone else who talked to him learned the same things we did. >>Those include Billy Cox at Florida Today who commented on this >>aspect of the controversy, Don Ecker at UFO magazine (US), and >>even Kris Palmer from Unsolved Mysteries. Our interview (the one >>conducted by Don Schmitt and Stan Friedman) is on video tape and >>in the FUFOR archives and held at CUFOS, while Shandera's >>interview is based solely on his notes with no independent >>corroboration. Which version should we accept as closer to the >>factual? That which can be independently verified or that which >>is based only the memories of a man who had a rooting interest >>in one specific aspect of the case? According to Shandera, he >>did not record the interview, he just took notes.

>Why should that factor into it? Jamie was most insistent with >his questions- going over the same ground three times. He >wanted a different answer. Yet every time, DuBose came back with >the same answers.

Why don't you provide us with a tape of Shandera's interview so Dubose's alleged statements can be independently verified. Until then, it's just Shandera's word against opposing _documented_ statements from Dubose that are on tape or in his affidavit.

>BTW- my own personal take on the answers you got was that DuBose >was referring to the 'simplification' of the explanation given >to the press. Whether he or anyone on Ramey's staff knew >anything about Mogul is open for debate - and I think very >doubtful.

The day before this, Col. Ryan (then Ramey's operations officer) was talking to AP about the radar targets in connection with an article on the possible origins of the flying disks (this article appeared, e.g., in the Roswell Morning Dispatch on July 8). So that's one officer.

Ramey was no shrinking violet himself in opining that it was a radar target. The San Francisco Examiner said they called him within an hour of when the press release went out over the wire, they were the first to talk to him, and reported Ramey described a weather balloon and radar target to them just like the ones launched everyday over in Oakland. (So the Examiner reporter was also familiar with the targets. It seems everybody knew about the targets except the morons over at Roswell.)

The Examiner article then went on to say that a weather officer was finally called in and made "a definite identification." Newton came in later, _after_ Ramey was already explicitly IDing the object as a radar target.

United Press that evening also quoted Ramey early on saying that it appeared to be "the remains of a weather balloon and radar reflector." I know Ramey said this early because this quote appeared in a San Franciso News story the evening of July 8. This was well before weather officer Newton had identified it because you can't find a story from July 8 mentioning Newton's ID. That was all reported the next day. (More on this below.)

(Another UP-based story the next day that appeared in New York PM, repeated the quote and had Ramey adding that he hadn't let anybody see it or photograph it yet because of the security lid. This is another indication that the UP quote occurred before the photos were taken or Newton was brought over to make the official identification.)

Yet another news story from the evening of July 8 in the Los Angeles Herald-Express had the blazing headline "Army Finds 'Flying Saucer' -- General Believes It Is Radar Weather Target." Well, that makes it pretty clear, doesn't it?

A last-minute AP bulletin added before the Herald-Express went to press that evening had Ramey announcing that the object was being shipped by air to Wright Field. We know exactly the time of this AP bulletin because of a surviving chronology of AP bulletins published in the Daily Illini the next day. The bulletin was slightly less than an hour and a half after the AP first announced the base 'flying disk' press release. On the other hand, Newton's ID wasn't announced by AP until 3 hours afterwards. So as in the S.F. Examiner story, Ramey was opining about the radar target ID early on and Newton wasn't brought until much later. Ramey obviously knew all about radar targets.

The Herald-Express coverage also added two last-minute bulletins from International News Service, one quoting Ramey as saying that the 'disk' was "evidently nothing other than a weather or radar instrument of some sort."

The other bulletin concerned "Senator Ed C. Johnson, of Colorado, who told the Denver Post by long distance from Washington today that the object found in New Mexico may have been 'either a radar target or a meteorological balloon.'"

So now a U.S. Senator had gotten into the act, way before any official identification by weather officer Newton in Fort Worth. Where did Senator Johnson get his information?

One of Ramey's intelligence officers, Major Kirton, was another contact person with the press and also the FBI. According to the Dallas Morning news, Kirton told them at 5:30 that the object was a "Rawin" target, the identification was final, and the special flight to Wright Field was cancelled.

Now let's do some math. The press release hit the wire in Roswell around 3:30 MDT or 4:30 CDT in Fort Worth. Thus only about an hour after the release, one of Ramey's people was announcing the identification, again before Ramey had brought in weather officer Newton. Furthermore, Kirton announced the flight had been cancelled before Ramey had announced it after Newton's ID.

Even Col. Dubose had something to say. According to an article in the Fort Worth Star Telegram the next morning Dubose said the tinfoil on the kite was similar to radar chaff used during the war and also devices on life rafts to facilitate air-sea rescue. (Dubose would know about such things since he later headed AF air rescue, and so should have Marcel, since he had the radar intelligence course.)

Furthermore, the article stated that "as soon as the 'disk' was brought into Gen. Ramey's office, he and Col. Dubose tabbed it as a weather device. The weather officer merely made identification positive."

It seems everybody on Ramey's staff knew about radar targets or similar devices and were announcing identifications before the official identification by Newton.

Now how could all this be (including Kirton's overly early "final" identification and announcement of the special flight cancellation) unless the whole thing was a set-up from the beginning?

>However, they decided that it would be best if they >just called it a 'weather balloon', rather then go into details >about Rawins and such. That was the 'cover story' DuBose was >referring to. And DuBose never claimed that there had been a >switch of material.

>Yeah - I know, that is just an 'assumption'. But it does fit the >facts, and does not require a conspiracy. <gr>

Nyahh, it doesn't fit the _documented_ facts. Ramey and minions and even a US Senator were identifying it as a radar target before Newton's official identification, according to news article of the day.

Furthermore, they didn't just call it a weather balloon. They specifically identified it as a radar target and also used the term Rawin device back in 1947. Newton did and so did Kirton earlier on.

>>>And remember that Jesse >>>Marcel, Sr., when shown the pictures taken in Ramey's office >>>told reporter Johnny Mann that it wasn't the stuff that he had >>>recovered in New Mexico. And, remember that Jesse Marcel, Jr., >>>said that the debris in the photographs bore a gross resemblance >>>to what he had seen, but that it wasn't the same stuff.

>>>That contradicts what Marcel initially told Moore and Pratt. >>>Jessies' first version was that the pictures of him were the >>>'real' stuff. It was only later that he changed his story.

Marcel never said anything like this to Bob Pratt. The subject never came up in Pratt's interview. Where did you get this false tidbit?

>>Actually, I don't think it does. While Marcel might have told
>>Moore that, I don't believe he said it to Pratt. Moore has
>>offered various versions of his transcripts as evidence, but he
>>seems to change them as the situation changes so I'm not
>>convinced that anything we find in them is accurate.

>Well, Marcel - in person - repeated this initial statement in the >movie 'UFOs are Real'.

Well, if you can speculate, I can speculate too. Suppose, for the sake of argument, Marcel had found a flying saucer. Then it stands to reason that internal Army photos would have been taken of him with the debris in Roswell and/or in Fort Worth as historical documentation. Being photos of real flying saucer debris, they would be highly classified and never made public.

Then, according to this scenario, public photos of him were taken soon afterwards with the substituted radar target. But 30+ years later, all he remembers are the Army photo or photos with the real debris.

But when finally shown one of the photos of him with the radar target instead of just being asked about what happened in Fort Worth, there was no confusion. He said quite simply that the photo was "staged."

Another person who doesn't remember Marcel's photos being taken with the radar target was the photographer himself, J. Bond Johnson. Thus Marcel apparently wouldn't be alone in not remembering this photo session. Nobody said his memory was perfect, particularly in impromptu interviews 30+ years after the fact.

E.g., two apparent mistakes he made (as also reported in "The Roswell Incident") was saying that he got back early Monday evening and the story had already been leaked by the base PIO. First, we know that the base press release didn't go out until the following afternoon. Second, his memory of when he returned disagrees with his son's of being late at night, and also a quoted statement of Marcel's in the Fort Worth Star-Telegram of July 9, 1947, where Marcel said he returned "early Tuesday morning."

On the other hand, most of what Marcel recounted in his interviews tracked quite well with what can be determined from his military file, news articles of the day, and interviews with other witnesses. Marcel's story has a lot of corroborating evidence.

David Rudiak

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Re: Kinross Incident And Gas Relases - Ledger

From: Don Ledger <<u>dledger@ns.sympatico.ca</u>> Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 10:54:09 -0400 Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 14:17:48 -0500 Subject: Re: Kinross Incident And Gas Relases - Ledger

>From: GT McCoy <<u>gtmccoy@harborside.com></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Kinross Incident And Gas Relases
>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 01:55:47 -0800

>Hi all,

>This link mentions the possiblity of a huge gas release due to >volcanic action in the Congo. Methane and CO2 are the likely >ingredients for this scenario.

>http://news.bbc.co.uk/low/english/sci/tech/newsid 1768000/1768321.stm

>No Volcanoes in Michigan, of course, but the mechanics of this >are-interesting.

Hi GT and List,

See also at: http://www.llnl.gov/str/Durham.html

In this article it mentions that even when a match is held to the methane ice, the latter will burn. An oil well drill heated up from the boring above hydrated methane can cause an explosion once it penetrates the strata of hydrate.

Spooky and dangerous stuff.

Don Ledger

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Re: Paradigm Clock Re-Set - Bassett

From: Stephen Bassett <<u>SGBList2@aol.com></u>
Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 10:53:13 EST
Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 14:21:10 -0500
Subject: Re: Paradigm Clock Re-Set - Bassett

>From: Kurt Jonach <<u>eWarrior@</u>electricwarrior.com>
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>Subject: Re: Paradigm Clock Re-Set
>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 07:43:06 -0800

>>From: Stephen Bassett <<u>SGBList2@aol.com></u>
>>Message-ID: <<u>bb.19a89832.2978a2f3@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 16:58:11 EST
>>Subject: Paradigm Clock Re-Set

>>Washington, DC - The Paradigm Clock has been reset to 11:58:00
>>pm (two minutes to midnight)

>>9/11/01 to 1/16/02 - The United States undergoes a
>>significant transformation which extends to domestic and
>>foreign posture as well as public demeanor. (>1 minute)

>Stephen,

>According to your assessment, we gained one minute, that is, we >are now closer to ET disclosure than we were last September?

>Honestly speaking, I would have said the transformations which >occurred over the last few months moved the clock the other way.

>I imagine that a Washington DC political activist, more than >anyone else in the UFO community, knows about the current >Administration's predilection for secrecy.

>I would have thought that the Attorney General's new policy, to >resist access to unclassified government documents through the >Freedom of Information Act, hinders UFO research.

>An Executive Order issued last November more or less confounds >the Presidential Records Act. It has been suggested that this >exercise of executive priviledge is intended to selectively >conceal documents from prior US administrations.

>So, I fail to see how that bodes well for the disclosure of a >presumed 50 years of government secrecy with respect to >extraterrestrial intelligence.

(>I don't think you mind taking the input, or I wouldn't have >mentioned it. Assuming there is anything to disclose, I would >have set the clock back.)

>-kj

Kurt,

Understandable point. This was a complex assessment. The explanation was too long for the press release. It can be found at:

www.paradigmclock.com/chronicleexplanations.html

Here it is:

The United States undergoes a significant transformation which

extends to domestic and foreign posture as well as public demeanor. (> 1 minute)

A dramatic transformation takes place on many fronts. The campaign against terrorists operating out of Afghanistan moves quickly. Thousands of suspects, material witnesses, and others are rounded up and detained around the world. Terrorists and their leaders are captured. Afghanistan is liberated from Taliban rule.

Patriotism surges within the United States, the approval level of the President attains historic levels, trust in government as polled increases, within the general public appreciation for the intelligence agencies, military services and the Department of Defense is significantly enhanced. The general public accepts new security measures and other legal changes with little objection.

To briefly sum a very complex dynamic, the conditions under which formal acknowledgment of an extraterrestrial presence might take place, from the government's perspective, become ideal. These new conditions include the circumstance of a Republican president very popular with the military and intelligence community as well as strong defense/security leaning officials at the Department of State, Vice Presidency, CIA, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Justice as well as deputy directors.

The effect is to create a window of opportunity form approximately May 2002 to May 2003, before or after the mid-term elections, in which the government could initiate formal disclosure from a position of strength and control.

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
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Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 14:26:42 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Mortellaro

>Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 02:39:01 -0800
>From: Larry Hatch <<u>larry@</u>larryhatch.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 12:15:43 EST
>>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>A commentary.

><snip>

>>I've ordered the book based on the reviews I've read and knowing

<snip>

>>To me these events (as I've said so many times before) are real.
>>But there is the culture, the education and the intellect which
>>says, "Hey, this stuff cannot possibly be!" There-in rests the
>>dichotomy. There is an honest realization that these events
>>might very well be due to infection by that methanogen Bruce
>>Maccabee described in a recent post, or some paranormal out of
>>body... who knows what... experience.

>>But whatever it is, it is and will _always_ be real to me. And >>people who do not question their experiences, search for a >>truth, examine _every_ aspect of it's nature, are fooling >>themselves big time.

>Hello Jim: If I may butt in here..

>For somebody like me, having seen nothing I could really call a >UFO, and no abduction symptoms whatsoever, its all too easy to >say that its all in so-and-so's head.

>What impresses (and mystifies) me is not only the consistency of >details, but the fervent emphasis that you and others have >expressed, on the absolute personal reality of these >experiences.

>Here we have people who seem perfectly normal in every other >respect, with tales that just totally tax peoples ability to >believe.

Oh yes, I am normal. Heck, even the voices in my head are normal. With the exception of Mo, Larry and Curly.

>This is _not_ like religious beliefs. In religion (as I see it)
>we have a sort of suspension of logic and reason, which enables
>the adherent to "believe" whatever dogma suits him or her the
>best.

Belief based on 'faith' is not belief. Many churches require you to believe on faith, things which the church cannot explain and therefor call, 'mysteries.' "It's a mystery, so take it on faith, which is to say, on our word."

Not this Grippler. What I accept, I accept based on my own intellect. (Hic) excuse me.

>The abductees, at least the sensible ones, are searching for any >decent explanation at all, even a possibly psychological one. >That's just the opposite of taking things on faith.

Just so. The confusion exists when one says that what I say is 'doubting.' And this is anathema. It is not doubting. How may one doubt what one _knows_ to be an event? What it is, is looking for a valid explanation, even if this explanation arrives at a conclusion which states that it is the undigested beef one had for dinner. Doubtful, but possible that this is the reason. Remotely.

>A classical mental case may "see and hear" things that just >ain't there. They are extremely "real" to such a person. But! >You and some others just don't sound like mental cases to me, >even if still others do.

Hey, watch it, Bubba! Them voices in my head are real. Why just a moment ago, Charley told me that he was... uh... well... he hadda go pottie. I let him.

>This leaves the reasoned non-experiencer dangling on a fence. >Wherein lies the reality of all this?

Which is one of the points I wear on the top of my head. To appear to the ROW (rest of the world) as a rational human who says that what happened is real as ice (I live up north) to the experiencer, but acknowledges that he does not have the absolute truth, makes much more sense to the citizen on or off the fence. And after all, who does? Have absolute truth, I mean? When I can bring back that 'apparent' control thingy I was once told worked the ship (now does _that_ sound sane???) I am sure people will say... "That mental case just made it outa balls... uh... balsa wood!

>I would not exclude psychiatric or psychological examination. I
>would bet that many abductees have sought professional
>assistance. If nothing else, the shrink can hopefully confirm
>the presence or absence of any delusional traits.

>If absent... then other explanations simply must be sought. I >would not give up hope for some sort of tangible evidence.

Personally, I was psychoanalised at age (approximately) 17, 30, 40-ish and around 50. There was only one shrink (these were psychiatrists) I told I perceived I was an abductee. He didn't blink an eye.

Each told me that tests revealed a better than average IQ, adaptability, phobic (with unusual phobia based on my profiles, in other words, the phobias did not fit the profile) but completely sane and in fact, rather bright and with an ability and propensity to music (I play piano on the one hand, but love Dylan on the other), poetry and art. In general, I am quite sane ... according to the shrinks. The shrinks found nothing remotely resembling an illness of any kind. However I have to admit that I did not tell them about Gesundt. The hell with them, if they can't take a joke.

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>PS from LH: I see I'm not the only one who cannot spell Bruce's

>name properly.

Yeah, but I can't spell it worse than you. Watch.... McAbbeeb... or Macabeeber... or then there's Maccabbbebbert.

See?

Jim

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <fsphys@brunnet.net>
Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 12:16:42 -0400
Fwd Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 14:29:22 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Friedman

>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 22:32:04 -0800 (PST)
>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 14:52:54 -0500
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic</u>@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'

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>>Hiya Mac,

>>You wrote:

>>>I heartily agree with John's take on 'Abduction In
>>My Life' - see:

>>><u>http://mactonnies.com/ufobooks.html</u>

>>It was yours and Katharina Wilson's earlier reviews that
>>motivated me to put it on my 'things to do' list. Lord knows I
>>have little time for reading now-a-days, (books anyway) but the
>>reviews I read piqued my interest enough to encourage me to
>>'make time' for it. That, and the fact that Bruce asked me to
>>read it and comment on it. :)

>>>The part of the book I had the most trouble accepting was the >>>narrator's ignorance of the UFO/abduction phenomenon; even if >>you don't have the slightest interest in the subject, it's hard >>>to avoid in our media-saturated environment.

>>Not true Mac. I knew little or nothing about 'ufology' or the
>>details of any 'cases' going in. The revelation of my own
>>intimate connection to the phenomenon came as a complete shock
>>to me. Honestly, it never would have occurred to me to even
>>consider alien abduction as a viable explanation.

>Thanks for your perspective on this. I guess I approached >Maccabee's character too self-centrically. I've grown up on a >diet of "weird" reading material, and the idea of alien >intervention seems almost like a "given" to me.

>Please note that I'm addressing the _idea_ of alien >intervention, not personal experience. In all probability, if I >had a traumatic CEIII I'd be grasping for alternative >explanations right and left. The "obvious" might not be so >obvious after all.

>I still think Maccabee's character's vocation as a science >fiction writer was probably a bad choice, but I can appreciate >the usefulness of this as a narrative device.

Mac, perhaps you should review my 12 page 1977 MUFON Conference paper 'Science Fiction, Science, and UFOs'. I discuss in detail some of the very foolish anti-UFO propaganda penned by Isaac Asimov, Ben Bova, and Arthur Clarke among others. None had Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Friedman

studied the evidence, all sounded irrational once one compares their claims with the real world.

Once I went into a Science Fiction book store in Berkeley, CA. I asked where the UFO stuff was. "We don't carry any of that junk".

Kevin Randle is certainly to be commended for being involved with UFO research despite being a science fiction writer.

Stan Friedman

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Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 15:18:48 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 10:39:24 -0500
Subject: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules

Which has nothing to do with this piece. But that's just me.

I've been trying hard to write, but the snow is heavy and the coffee is good and, well, I have not been able to write. But a theme continues in my head... over and over. I wish to share it with the researchers on this list. It has to do with illnesses. Someone I know well, someone who has been having experiences all her life and is an expert on the subject of a well known but little known about, syndrome referred to as post traumatic shock, is doing significant research on the subject. Her qualifications are Beyond Infinity (gotta plug the e-mag I am writing for). PTS appears to be common among abductees. The signs and symptoms of which are _very_ common and very similar to those who suffer it from the affects of war, catastrophe and of course, the abductee.

Among the worst are those symptoms which stem from the auto immune system. You've heard the story from me many times and are likely to get bored when you read it again here and in the book, as I've asked this wonderful and very knowledgeable lady to write or allow me to use, a synopsis in a chapter. In reading her shorts... uh... let me use a different word... I've never even seen her shorts... in reading her documents and comparing them with the symptoms exhibited by victims of Desert Storm, Vietnam and temblor victims, I was shocked to see that they were not merely similar, they were nearly identical.

I've asked our very broad minded (there I go again) neurologist as well as our dermatologist and internist, all of whom are aware of my experiences, and my psychiatrist, to each investigate my symptoms and signs, and compare them with those of others whom I've referred to them. The doctors have agreed to see these folks at no charge, which I find interesting. Among the small but very select group are two well known (among us) abductees, four others who have not come out of their closets and two quite normal people who suffer nothing at all. The group will also include five people who are presently suffering PTS from:

- 1) The WTC catastrophe
- 2) The 1983 Mexico City earthquake (which I believe was an 8.3)
- 3) The midwest floods and
- 4) One of the worst tornados ever to hit Alabama (which as I recall occured on or about 1978-ish.

Each of these are coming to New York at their own expense except for three, for whom this poverty stricken new home owner is footing the bill. Somebody better buy the farkina book or I am in deep doo doo.

I shall report anything of import, in general terms, here on UpDates. The data, if it works out, will be in the book. Donations for the Gesundt Publishing Company are welcome. Send them to the "First Church of the Poor Abductee Bastard," in care of the Streets of Canal. Oh, and before I forget, make it cash. Just wrap it carefully and the Postal (HAH!) workers will never notice.

Jim

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 13:21:45 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 10:41:21 -0500 Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
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I've never read anything by Bova re. UFOs, but I agree that Asimov and Clarke's "skeptical" arguments are lame. I'm almost able to forgive Clarke some of the time, but Asimov was fanatical; not only did he condemn the very possibility of UFOs, but he attempted to slaughter the reputations of scientists who didn't agree with him (i.e. J. Allen Hynek). Reading Asimov's anti-UFO nonsense is pretty distressing for anyone who's looked more than an inch deep into the controversy.

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Fwd: Are You Ready For Contact?

From: Joe McGonagle <<u>joem cgonagle@yahoo.com</u>>
Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 12:18:49 -0000
Fwd Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 10:45:45 -0500
Subject: Fwd: Are You Ready For Contact?

I saw this and thought "What a clever idea!". Don't misunderstand me, I am not recommending that you all go out and buy one, but the concept is simple - there will be an unspecified charge for "the device", which I suspect will be excessive (the "device" itself is not yet in production...)

I suspect "the device" will be a light-projector, projecting a sequence of different coloured lights into the night sky, though I could be wrong. If the price is not too exhorbitant, I think many ET believers will buy one - if nothing else, it would go down a treat at parties, and will probably generate UFO reports of its own!

Cheers, Joe

----- Original Message -----

From: "The Signal and Message" <<u>lingo</u>@thesignalandmessage.com> Newsgroups: alt.binaries.ufo.files Sent: Sunday, January 20, 2002 4:59 AM Subject: Are you ready for contact?

Are you ready for contact? Are you ready for the information and secrets being withheld to be opened up to the public? Could it be possible that the reason there are so many sightings is because the Extra Terrestrials want us to know they are here. Could it be possible that the Extraterrestrials are waiting for us to be ready for contact. The Signal and Message is a Device and Process that will enable users to send a message to Extra Terrestrials that are presently monitoring Earth and to Governments that are presently using space technology simultaneously.

For more information see

http://www.thesignalandmessage.com

as the device will soon be available.

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Fleming

From: Lan Fleming <lfleming5@houston.rr.com>
Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 11:08:21 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 12:15:52 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Fleming

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>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
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Budd Hopkins Seminar - Feb. 2, 2002

From: Intruders Foundation <<u>IFConfer@aol.com></u> Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 11:51:19 -0500 Fwd Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 12:19:19 -0500 Subject: Budd Hopkins Seminar - Feb. 2, 2002

Intruders Foundation Seminar Series Announcement

"ARE YOU AN ABDUCTEE?"

Saturday, February 2, 2002

For our opening seminar of 2002, Budd Hopkins will present a new version of a popular workshop he has offered in other venues across the United States. "Are You an Abductee?" will examine in depth the symptoms most frequently reported by men and women who feel they may have had UFO abduction experiences but do not consciously recall all - or even many - of the details of these encounters. To demonstrate the issues one faces in examining such concerns, Hopkins will read from letters he has received from possible abductees, and, in a discussion of hypnosis, will play dramatic segments of tape-recorded hypnotic regression sessions he has conducted.

The purpose of this program is to examine the signs and symptoms of buried UFO abduction cases in order to help individuals decide for themselves whether or not to explore their possible experiences.

For more detailed information regarding the subject matter of this seminar, please go to the following link: http://www.intrudersfoundation.org/if events.html

SEMINAR REGISTRATION & INFORMATION

The seminar will be held on February 2nd at the meeting rooms of A.R.E., on the tenth floor of 150 W. 28th Street, New York. The price is \$30 for non-members and \$20 for members of IF, seniors and students with proper identification. Reservations must be made by telephone, at 212-645-5278, and will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Payment must be made in advance to secure the reservation. Make checks payable to the Intruders Foundation, P. O. Box 30233, New York, NY 10011. Only 50 reservations will be accepted for each seminar. On-street parking is generally available in the neighborhood. The seminar will begin at 7:30 p.m. and end at 10:00 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. There will be a one half-hour intermission, during which light complimentary refreshments will be served. A book table will offer books, videotapes and other material for sale to those interested.

We hope to see you there!

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Re: Kinross - Tenney

From: John Tenney <<u>iohntenney@mail.com></u>
Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 02:11:07 +0800
Fwd Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 14:00:19 -0500
Subject: Re: Kinross - Tenney

The F-89C that was flown by Moncla and Wilson during the Kinross incident was plagued with problems, not their plane specifically, but the F-89's in general.

The F-89 and was being flown that night had a non-retractable air inlet screen on the lower engine, which (in certain circumstances) had the problematic effect of icing over during climb and descent. This effect was studied in detail by The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics by Porter J. Perkins, (Lewis Flight Propulsion Laboratory, Cleveland, Ohio) but not until July of 1958.

The F-89's were also the victims of an as yet unknown at that time effect now recognized as Aeroelastic Effect. Which made the wings of the plane twist and lose structural integrity during climb and descent. This too was the topic of a a study by Hugh L. Dryden and Dr. John E. Duberg during the Fifth General Assembly of the Advisory Group for Aeronautical Research and Development, again though this report wasn't released until June of 1955, two years after the Kinross Incident. On the same day that Pilot Moncla and R.O. Wilson's plane vanished another F-89C also crashed in Wisconsin, which added to some confusion in newspaper reports.

If anyone has any questions regarding the Kinross incident I am currently writing a comprehensive analysis of the entire event and latter investigations.

All the best

John E.L. Tenney

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 12:22:57 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:15:53 -0500 Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

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>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
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As a certified Dickhead, I point you toward his mind-bending psychothriller VALIS.

See: http://mactonnies.com/pkdbooks.html

Jacques Vallee is the only ufologist I know of that's taken on PKD's psychedelic experiences in the context of alien contact. Dick began a series of communications with a disembodied intelligence he called a "Vast Active Living Intelligent System."

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Haggard

From: Michael Haggard <<u>mikeh@cybertrails.com></u>
Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 14:06:46 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:18:56 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Haggard

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P K D wrote the book Valis that suggested aliens sent him information through a beam of light. There has been much UFO/Conspiracy theory about the book being auto-biographical.

There is also W.A. Harrison with the books Genesis, Inception, and Revelation dealing with the possibility that UFOs are from a possible alien changeling who worked for the Nazis (but for his own ends).

Then Star Trek The Next Generation and Voyager have had a few episodes that tell the alien abduction story in a favorable (as in advocative) light. In some the cast are the abductors and in others the cast are abductees who face all the stresses of modern abductees.

The field is becoming more attune to the phenomenon.

Michael The Haggard

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Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules - Velez

From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 16:12:59 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:30:17 -0500
Subject: Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules - Velez

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 15:18:48 EST
>Subject: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

* Get the popcorn out, this one's a marathon! :) JV

Hola Docca,

You write:

>PTS appears to be common among abductees.

Here we go again. You make the blanket statement above as if it had some basis in established fact.

It doesn't.

Why do I say that?

In this latest missive you appeal to "researchers" to consider PTS as it applies to 'abductees'. Based on that statement I'd like to ask a few pertinent questions first if I may.

1. Could you please point me to the psychological studies that were performed on 'abductees' that arrived at the conclusion you have cited in your comment above?

Reason for asking: PTS syndrome is a difficult diagnosis at best. It would take extensive and long term therapy/counselling in order to nail down the specific causes/origins of it in any individual. In the case of an 'abductee' the complexity of the diagnosis becomes doubled as a therapist would be hard put to differentiate between trauma's that are related to 'normal' life experiences and any that may be related to the 'abductions'.

It takes a long time to reach a point of familiarity with a client that would allow such determinations to be made with any degree of certainty. Ergo, based on your statement, a large enough sampling of abductees would have had to undergo some form of long term diagnostic counselling in order to pin down 'abduction' as the cause of origin for any symptomology being attributed to PTS.

2. Who conducted the study?

Reason for asking: It would carry more weight if those conducting a study to determine the origin of PTS syndrome symptoms in any individual was performed by (more than one) mental health expert, and preferably by professionals that have no 'preconceived' notions about UFO abduction or predilection toward any belief system regarding same. No one to date has conducted such a specific and detailed study. I'm curious as to which group conducted what study that drew the conclusion you announce in public.

3. How many 'abductees' were involved in the study and over how long a period of time?

Reason for asking: The _number_ of participants in such a study as well as 'who' conducted it, and under what conditions would have _great_ bearing on the weight that any findings would carry.

280 abductees out of say 300 would be much more compelling and significant, carry much more weight, than say findings based on a study of five or ten individuals by a single researcher with no credentials. Maybe even one who may be biased one way or another _before_ they even begin. People who conduct studies who also have a personal aganda (something they're looking to prove) usually find a way to justify the results they were after to begin with. Establishing objectivity of those conducting the study would be of paramount importance. All these factors will contribute to how seriously the results/findings/conclusions, should be taken.

4. How were the subjects for the study chosen? What criteria was utilized to first 'identify' the 'abductees', and then what did they base their final candidate selections on?

Reason for asking: How was it determined who is 'qualified' to bea part of an 'abductee' sampling. What specific criteria was employed to cull the 'abductees' from those who only 'think' they are 'abductee'. (From the 'self-proclaimed' or previously uninvestigated cases presented for consideration.)

If you are going to make public declarations such as the one I quoted from you above, you really need to do your homework and preface such sweeping statements with some facts and citations of substantiating studies/information. You need to include who, what, and where or it's just more self-serving and meaningless blather. It doesn't help the cause to secure a serious investigation for _all_ of us.

You see, one of the things that myself and many others have been working and fighting long and hard for is; a serious investigation by the mainstream scientific and academic community. Which will hopefully include _security/police_ experts as well. After all, what is being reported by so many people from all parts of the globe is nothing short of willful abduction/kidnap. A commonly acknowledged 'crime' in all countries of the world.

Now someone like you comes along and makes a statement like "PTS appears to be common among abductees," without offering or providing one shred of substantive evidence that such a statement is even remotely true. You (falsely) give people the impression that your comment is based on some kind of accepted or proven fact. I've said this a thousand times and I'll continue to say it until the skies fall; "There have been _no_ (as in, none, nada, zippo, zero) formal studies conducted on those who are reporting UFO/alien abduction." Period. That's what the hell I'm out here working for year after year.

To warn others and to get the 'serious' attention of the research community is very thing I fight the hardest for. Instead of lending your support to get an investigation for all of us, you seem to be working _counter_ to that common goal with a vigor I have rarely witnessed. And all of it coming from someone who is _never_ able to "back up" _any_ of the outrageous statements that you make about other experiencers in very _public_ forums. Every time you do so I am compelled to step in and question it. Fair, honest questions. But I'll be damned if I'm going to allow such pure speculative nonsense to go by unchallenged.

You never once stop to consider how many you may be tarring unjustly with your 'one size fits all' brushes. Sure, if someone, anyone had been put through the kind of trauma that so many of us have experienced, it would have profound ramifications on the person and their psyche. But first you need to establish the fact of the trauma by conducting a proper investigation or study to determine if such a thing is true or not. You make statements that sound like conclusions that have been arrived at honestly by credible people conducting credible study's. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

You can't just say anything that pops into your gripple-soaked melon just because it happens to suit your purposes. (Whatever wild theories and conclusions you plan to sell the public in

this often threatened "book" of yours.) A statement such as "PTS appears to be common among abductees" needs to be backed up with some kind of substantive study that was conducted in an above board fashion by competent professionals. Who, as a result of all that hard work have determined that such a thing as you proclaim to the listening world is true.

Bottom Line:

Aside from your need to develop interest in the theories you plan to put forth in this book of yours, we _all_ need to be "investigated/studied." You give the false impression that (unbiased, professionally conducted) studies which arrive at the conclusions you state have actually been conducted.

It's not true.

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>signs and symptoms of which are _very_ common and very similar >to those who suffer it from the affects of war, catastrophe and >of course, the abductee.

Show me where and by whom this conclusion has been determined and what it is based on Jim. Who were the researchers? Who were the subjects? Where is the results of this study published?

>Among the worst are those symptoms whicsh stem from the auto >immune system. You've heard the story from me many times and are >likely to get bored when you read it again here and in the book, >as I've asked this wonderful and very knowledgeable lady to >write or allow me to use, a synopsis in a chapter. In reading >her shorts... uh... let me use a different word... I've never >even seen her shorts... in reading her documents and comparing >them with the symptoms exhibited by victims of Desert Storm, >Vietnam and temblor victims, I was shocked to see that they were >not merely similar, they were nearly identical.

So, you know for a fact that; abductees demonstrate PTS as a direct result of the abductions. (And are derived from nowhere else.) ie; which part of it may come from abductions or which parts may come from say, repeated beatings they may have endured from an abusive parent.) b. You compare PTS symptoms from Gulf war veterans to the symptoms exhibited by abductees as if it was already a given that abductees (many of them according to you) exhibit PTS symptoms that have been determined to originate with the UFO abduction experiences. Oh, and that those 'symptoms' are identical to war vets.

Hog-wash!

>I've asked our very broad minded (there I go again) neurologist >as well as our dermatologist and internist, all of whom are >aware of my experiences, and my psychiatrist, to each >investigate my symptoms and signs, and compare them with those >of others whom I've referred to them.

Gee, they "share" patient information with you? What ever happened to doctor-patient confidentiality? Wouldn't they be breaking that trust to provide you with _any_ information that they obtained during an examination? I would recommend to anyone participating to; a. sue you, and b. sue the pants off the doctors. New Cadillacs all around!

>The doctors have agreed to >see these folks at no charge, which I find interesting.

So do I. The way you plan to obtain data for your book/theory is _illegal!_

>Among
>the small but very select group are two well known (among us)
>abductees, four others who have not come out of their closets
>and two quite normal people who suffer nothing at all. The group
>will also include five people who are presently suffering PTS
>from:

>1) The WTC catastrophe

>2) The 1983 Mexico City earthquake (which I believe was an 8.3)

>3) The midwest floods and

>4) One of the worst tornados ever to hit Alabama (which as I >recall occured on or about 1978-ish.

>Each of these are coming to New York at their own expense except >for three, for whom this poverty stricken new home owner is >footing the bill. Somebody better buy the farkina book or I am >in deep doo doo.

If this 5 or 6 person study you've concocted hasn't been performed yet, how is it that you post your conclusions first? (a. "many" abductees suffer from PTS, and b. that the manifestation of the PTS in the abductees is the same as that manifested by Gulf war veterans.) Both scientifically and ufologically speaking, you're so out of touch with reality that it would take an interstellar rescue mission to retrieve you.

>I shall report anything of import, in general terms, here on >UpDates. The data, if it works out, will be in the book. >Donations for the Gesundt Publishing Company are welcome.

Oh, I can't wait. BTW, the check is in the mail! ;)

>Send
>them to the "First Church of the Poor Abductee Bastard," in care
>of the Streets of Canal. Oh, and before I forget, make it cash.
>Just wrap it carefully and the Postal (HAH!) workers will never
>notice.

Yeah, cash, right. Gotcha.

John Velez

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 14:25:45 -0600 Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:31:45 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 11:02:28 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>Well, I respectfully disagree. I, nor anybody else, on the >outside see anything anomalous, much less a significant portion. >What I see are some confused people working off false >assumptions. Unfortunately it didn't burn itself out and instead >kept growing. Now it's an article in the MUFON Journal. The >Rawin was never a Rawin -- it's the real saucer debris. (I'm >sure I hear Dennis Stacy giggling somewhere in the background.)

>Enough is enough! It's become embarrassing.

David,

I can't admit to not finding a moment of guarded chortling re. the above, true. Rorschach will only take you so far, after all.

You might want to keep that in mind while performing your own Rorschach reading of the Ramey teletype. This could be extremely important, I admit, but so far Randle and Friedman don't seem to share your interpretation of same. Or perhaps they do? And what about RPIT?

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Cydonian Imperative: 01-20-02 - MOLA 'Mishap'

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 13:28:23 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:33:26 -0500 Subject: Re: Cydonian Imperative: 01-20-02 - MOLA 'Mishap'

The Cydonian Imperative 1-20-02

Lan Fleming Indentifies MOLA "Mishap" (Guest commentary)

http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html

[The following is posted with permission of Lan Fleming of SPSR. --M.T.]

Hoagland's latest article on the use and misuse of MOLA data, which references my own, gives a link to a little-known NASA web page that displays the MOLA profiles for a selected area of Mars:

http://marsoweb.nas.nasa.gov/MOLA/regions/05_35/

I've attached a jpeg showing the position of the Face, the D&M, and a large crater crossed by one of the tracks on this web page. On the right, the multicolored profile is displayed on the web page for the selected track. The white inset with the red profile is the one I generated independently using numerical data from the online MOLA database of coordinates and elevations. You can see that the two profiles are the same because the heights and spacing of all the peaks match exactly on both the NASA profile and the one I made. (The elevation scale is greatly exaggerated relative to the distance scale in both). Even the little squiggles match exactly.

[image]

Screen-capture showing Fleming's reproduction of MOLA results.

Notice that the Face is actually to the left of the track and that the corresponding peak on the profile is displaced a few pixels above the Face. This is also true for the D&M and for the crater rim indicated. This is important in understanding what the mistake was that Garvin may have made.

If you go to this web page and click on the "Show all tracks" button, it appears that there are actually two tracks that cross the Face, but this isn't so. The coordinates of the peaks on the two profiles that appear to cross over the Face are about 0.2 degrees apart in latitude, or about 10 kilometers. (There is a coordinate display at the bottom of the web page when the mouse pointer is dragged over a point on the displayed profile). The Face is only 2.5 kilometers long, so one or the other profile doesn't cross the Face. The one I chose is track #10061 (in the MOLA database, it was labeled #10062). I know I chose the correct one because the elevation map I constructed had a much higher resolution than the NASA web page image of the area, and I could see that there was no alternative that matched the position of the Face in the wide-angle optical image. Taking into account the displacements of the traks on the NASA web page, it confirms that I chose the right profile.

I now think Garvin (or somebody) chose the profile that crosses

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the mesa ten kilometers almost directly to the south of the Face and mistook it for the Face. [emphasis added] This is track #10929 on the NASA web page. This mesa is roughly 250 meters high relative to the surrounding planes -- close to the 800-foot height cited in the NASA article. From the shadows in the Viking images, you can clearly see that this mesa is not nearly as high as the Face. I think Garvin may have looked at the NASA web page and mistakenly assumed that the profiles were displaced downward on the page rather than upward. [emphasis added]

So basically, this looks like it might have been a dumb mistake of the type we all make, especially when dealing with the sort of trivial nuisance that I'm sure Garvin views the Face to be. But if NASA lets this error stand without the correction afforded the amount of media publicity that was given to the original erroneous NASA article in May, I would consider it anything but trivial. The MOLA data was the basis for the entire JPL debunking campaign, and they simply got it wrong. [emphasis added]

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Sandow

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>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 11:08:21 -0600
>>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

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>>I could be wrong about this, but I recall reading that Philip K.
>>Dick had a (non-hostile) interest in the UFO phenomenon and may
>>have even based one of his books on a personal UFO experience.
>>If true, that would make him unique among well-known sci-fi
>>writers

Dick, I've read, was generally a skeptic on the paranormal, including UFO reports.

On the other hand, he did have paranormal experiences, especially the one he describes in "Valis," where a beam of purple light (if I remember the color correctly) told him about a potentially fatal illness his young son had, which no doctor had diagnosed. Dick insisted tests be done, and the child indeed had the condition.

Dick thought he received messages of some kind from some non-earthly entity. Or maybe it's better to say he received information not from earth. An entity - in the sense of an alien or, God help us, transdimensional being, or whatever we'd like to imagine -- might not have been involved, as he understood things. I heard about this at great length from him before he died, and, again, it's in 'Valis' (though written as fiction). (We never talked about UFOs the two times we met, so I have no direct idea what his views were.)

Two other science fiction writers with some kind of UFO connection:

Patricia Anthony, a real gem of a writer, uses a lot of UFO lore in her books. Her novel "Brother Termite" imagines what might happen if the abduction aliens -- the same ones we meet in hundreds of abductee reports-- take over. She also wrote "God's Fires," my favorite of her books, about an alien visit during the time of the Portugeuse inquisition. There's a hilarious passage where skeptics from the church hierarchy debunk a farmer's sighting. It's obvious that Anthony has read current UFO debates, and is writing a parody of today's skeptics.

Thomas M. Disch (the librettist of two of my operas) is no longer especially known as a science fiction writer, having outgrown the field and joined the ranks of general literature. But he got his start in science fiction (along with the likes of Samuel Delany, he was one of the main American "new wave" writers of the late '60s and early '70s). He's a notable UFO skeptic. When Strieber's "Communion" first came out, Tom wrote a Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Sandow

derisive review in The Nation, which was widely quoted at the time.

Greg Sandow

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Maccabee

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>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot@yahoo.com></u>
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 14:52:54 -0500
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic</u>@verizon.net>
>>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'

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>>Hiya Mac,

>>You wrote:

>>>I heartily agree with John's take on 'Abduction In
>>My Life' - see:

>>><u>http://mactonnies.com/ufobooks.html</u>

<snip>

>Thanks for your perspective on this. I guess I approached >Maccabee's character too self-centrically. I've grown up on a >diet of "weird" reading material, and the idea of alien >intervention seems almost like a "given" to me.

>Please note that I'm addressing the _idea_ of alien >intervention, not personal experience. In all probability, if I >had a traumatic CEIII I'd be grasping for alternative >explanations right and left. The "obvious" might not be so >obvious after all.

>I still think Maccabee's character's vocation as a science >fiction writer was probably a bad choice, but I can appreciate >the usefulness of this as a narrative device.

The main character is not only a science fiction writer; he is portrayed as a scientifically trained technologist. But most importantly, he is portrayed as very skeptical. Since science fiction writers tend to be skeptical of UFO sightings, etc., I decided to characterize the main character as a science fiction writer as well as a technologist.

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Schlock Therapist

By RAY ROUTHIER, Portland Press Herald Writer

Loren Coleman was just 12 when he was drawn to his life's work. It happened when he saw a schlocky 1958 horror movie called "Half Human," about an abominable snowman terrorizing the Japanese countryside.

The movie was a certified flop, but it started Coleman down a 40-year path of trying to document and analyze the many human sightings of things as weird as, or weirder, than abominable snowmen. While most of us scoff or snicker at such things, the premise of "Half-Human" caused Coleman to make a serious study of such reported creatures as the Loch Ness Monster, Sasquatch and Mothman.

So maybe it's appropriate that Coleman, who is 54 and lives in Portland, is getting a heavy dose of national attention these days. It turns out that after years of studying things that most of us laugh about, Coleman's expertise is being sought after by the mainstream media including radio stations, magazines, documentary film crews and movie producers.

"The Mothman Prophecies," a Sony/Screen Gems film starring Richard Gere and set for national release Friday, is based on sightings of a 6 1/2 to 7-foot-high winged creature in Point Pleasant, W. Va., in 1966 and 1967. The sightings came just before a bridge collapse in that town, which killed 47 people and led to speculation about paranormal activity.

The producers and the media have turned to Coleman repeatedly as one of the few experts on Point Pleasant's Mothman and other Mothman-like sightings in recent history. It helps that his latest book, "Mothman and Other Curious Encounters," (Paraview Press, \$14.95) was released earlier this month.

"In researching the subject, his was a name that kept coming up," said David Grabias, the maker of the documentary "Search for Mothman," which premieres Wednesday on the FX cable network, and will likely be shown again. "It's a story where it's hard to find people who are authoritative and credible and somewhat objective, and that's why I turned to Loren."

Coleman lives a sort of double life. He's known in Maine for his work as a consultant to school systems and health care organizations in the areas of teen suicide and youth violence. He did research in those areas for the Muskie School of Public Service at the University of Southern Maine until recently, and now does his work as a private consultant. It's this work that pays his bills.

But Coleman is also a nationally-known researcher and author in

the field of cryptozoology, the study of unknown or undiscovered animals. Outside of other people who are interested in cryptozoology, not many people are familiar with Coleman's work, or cryptozoology itself, for that matter.

Enter "The Mothman Prophecies," which has been advertised on TV, in magazines and at the movie theaters. Because the media has a huge appetite for movie hype, Coleman has gone from an investigator of fables (in the minds of many) to a bona fide expert - all in a Hollywood minute.

Coleman, while not formally hired by Sony/Screen Gems, has done more than 40 radio and magazine interviews as part of the current "Mothman" publicity frenzy. He appeared at a news conference in Hollywood, and is featured prominently in the documentary, which Sony helped to make.

The movie is actually based on a book of the same name by John Keel, a friend of Coleman's who went to Point Pleasant shortly after the first Mothman sightings. Keel has been interviewed as well for various "Mothman Prophecies" publicity pieces.

Coleman's book differs from Keel's in that Coleman is not as interested as Keel in theories of UFOs or paranormal activity. Coleman says he he is first and foremost a cryptozoologist, so his book is more about the earthly possibilities behind what people saw, or might have seen, in Point Pleasant.

He has documented the facts of the sightings, and interviewed the people who saw something, in a methodical, journalistic way.

"He's really the foremost expert on Mothman next to John Keel," said Marc Weinstock, vice president of marketing for Sony/Screen Gems. "He knows the story and he can speak to it well. Because of that, he's being sought out for interviews."

So what exactly is Mothman? Well, from talking to people who say they saw it in Point Pleasant, it is a black creature with red eyes, the size of a large man, with wings. The drawing on Coleman's "Mothman" book, made from witness descriptions, looks like a giant black owl with cape-like wings.

Coleman says he had been working on a Mothman book for years, but decided to finish it when the movie publicity started coming out. The book, "Mothman and Other Curious Encounters" came out in early January and is available only by ordering at book stores or online.

In the book, Coleman writes about the Point Pleasant sightings, which began in November of 1966 and lasted for 13 months. Some people in the small town on the Ohio border simply said they saw it, either standing still or flying. Others say they felt its presence. Others reported premonitions of some impending disaster. In his book, Coleman lists the details of 26 specific sightings of Mothman or a similar creature during 1966 and 1967 in the small town.

Then on Dec. 15, 1967, Silver Bridge in Point Pleasant collapsed during end of the day rush-hour, and 47 people were killed. The bridge collapse happened at a time when bridges were not inspected regularly, and Coleman said there were engineers who explained structurally what had worn out inside the bridge (an eye-bar pin) and why it had collapsed. So the bridge collapse itself isn't that mysterious, though the Mothman sightings leading up to it are.

Coleman concentrated his book on putting Mothman in context, such as talking about other sightings of giant winged creatures over the years. These so-called Mothman sightings, Native American sightings of "thunderbirds" and other evidence may point to some giant bird that hasn't been discovered yet, Coleman thinks.

What Coleman doesn't do in his book is to focus on the UFO and paranormal speculation that plays a large part in the "Mothman" movie.

"In all my investigations over the years I've found that 80 percent of these are misidentifications or hoaxes, but there are some with at least a kernel of truth," said Coleman, sitting in the work room of his apartment, just a few blocks from USM. The

room is filled with skulls, monster models and other creature clutter. "What I try to do with any of these is present data, and if you present enough data, there might be some acceptance of what happened."

As for Mothman, all Coleman can say for sure is that many people say they saw something like a large winged creature. And that there are at least some similarities between their descriptions and various descriptions of other sightings recorded in newspaper accounts over the years, as well as descriptions from people Coleman has interviewed.

"This is only the second book on Mothman, and what I wanted to do is reclaim him for cryptozoology," Coleman said.

That being said, Coleman lacks hard proof that Mothman exists, which is the basic knock many scientists have on cryptozoology.

In the field of cryptozoology however, Coleman is well respected for his meticulous research of sightings and for his analysis and perspective.

He has written several other books on the subject, including "Mysterious America" (Paraview, 2001) and "Cryptozoology A to Z: The Encyclopedia of Loch Monsters, Sasquatch, Chupacabras, and Other Authentic Mysteries of Nature" (Simon & Schuster) 1999, with Jerome Clark.

"I think everyone has to read a Loren Coleman book if they are going to be involved in cryptozoology. He's very well respected," said George Eberhart, senior editor of American Libraries Magazine and the author of a forthcoming book on cryptozoology.

Coleman admits that he spends more time on cryptozoology, which doesn't exactly pay much, than he does on his consulting work. Being regarded as a Mothman expert hasn't made him richer, but it has gotten some publicity for his book.

It also has made his cryptozoology seem cooler to his sons - Malcolm, 15, and Caleb, 11. After all, their dad has now written a book about something that is being made into a Hollywood movie.

But for Coleman, the best thing about the "Mothman Prophecies" movies is that it may do for others what the horrible John Carradine movie "Half Human" did for him.

"I hope that because of the movie and my book, Mothman will resurface as an important cryptozoological subject," said Coleman. "Like Big Foot or Loch Ness."

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

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Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

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>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:55:26 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 11:50:00 +0000
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads</u>

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>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>Neil Morris wrote:

>>In the final analysis, what Bond Johnson did or did not say to
>>Kevin in the phone interviews (and yes I do have a copy of
>>Kevin's tapes) has to be settled between the two parties
>>involved

>Although I have tried to be polite, there are some things that >just annoy the hell out of me and this is one of them. Please >remember that I hadn't named any of the members of RPIT to whom >I had sent tapes. Neil volunteered this information himself and >then suggested that we, meaning Dr. Johnson and I, should >attempt to settle this matter. Oh, I have tried, for more than >ten years, ever since Dr. Johnson decided that he had seen the >real debris and that General Ramey didn't know what he had when >Dr. Johnson arrived at the office.

>For those of you tired of this debate, please punch out now. For >the rest of you, I pose a single question to Neil. Having heard >my tapes, having seen the correspondence between Dr. Johnson and >me, just where have I misrepresented anything in this long and >rather tiresome debate?

Kevin,

Why are you having a pop at me over this?, I'm merely a bystander not a combatant.

And as far as I'm aware I've not mentioned "misrepresentation".

>Dr. Johnson alleges that I called him cold, giving neither the >time to prepare for the interview nor the opportunity to refresh >his memory concerning the events of July, 1947. I sent to Neil, >as I have to the others who asked, a letter from Betsy Hudon at >UTA who first told me that someone else had just been in contact >with their archives, looking up the same photographs that

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>During that conversation, he told me that Ramey had told him it >was a weather balloon and that he had taken just two >photographs. (Here is a point in which Neil wins something... >Dr. Johnson remembered just two photographs, but conceded that >the Marcel photograph looked as if he, Dr. Johnson, had taken >it. I think we all agree that Dr. Johnson took six photographs >and I don't hold it against him that his memory failed on this >point.)

Didn't you have had red flags popping up here, surely this is a big indicator as to the safety of the rest of Bond's testimony?.

As I've said in the past (a number of times) I think Bond's story (and I hope he might agree with this) is nothing more than a collection of vague impressions, I personally would not like to tag any recalled conversations from them as being accurate as you seem to have done.

I've treated Bond's story in that light, but events in parts of it have been corroborated now by a third party in the ST offices that evening and throughout the night after Bond left, he's given us additional background details of the night's events unknown to Bond.

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>He has decided that he photographed real debris from a crashed >flying saucer, all in the face of other testimony that suggests >there was nothing in General Ramey's office when Johnson entered >other than a weather balloon and rawin target. It is clear from >the statements made by General DuBose, Major Marcel and WO >Newton that the debris was a weather balloon. The evidence is in >the photographs for all to see. Clearly this is a weather >balloon and rawin target and nothing else... which might explain >the RPIT desire to cling to Dr. Johnson's discredited testimony >about what was in General Ramey's office. Without it, we are >left with only a weather balloon and degraded target. The >silence from those in the RPIT who had heard the tapes, who have >copies of the tapes, and who had spoken to Dr. Johnson is >deafening. I think they believed what Dr. Johnson said about me >and the recordings... until they heard them for themselves and >realized that Dr. Johnson's take on the situation just wasn't >reflected in reality.

Kevin.

Can I say here, and I hope this goes for all the RPIT team.

THE RPIT's conclusions are _not_ based on Bond Johnson's testimony but on the analysis of the pictures he took together with other archive material from the time.

In fact what Bond did or did not say is totally irrelevant as far as the work with the FW pictures is concerned, and the identity of the person who took them in no way reflects on what they recorded.

I would hope we are both agreed that what we see in the them is a true record of events at some point during that afternoon?, and as such is far more accurate than any 40-50 year old memories.

>My point here is that Neil has the tapes, has the letters and >has other supporting documentation. Rather than deal with it, he >ignores it, suggesting that Dr. Johnson and I work out the >differences. I have tried and hoped that those on the RPIT who >should have more influence with Dr. Johnson could get some of >the answers. The question that remains is why have they been so >quiet on this point? Why won't they admit the truth?

???Why am _I_ expected to deal with _your_ differences with a 3rd party???

I really don't see where you're coming from here.

As I've tried to outline, Bond's testimony is _not_ what the RPIT's research is about, and frankly at the end of the day is that testimony crucial to the scheme of things?. IMHO no, I for one am happy to put it to one side until some, all or none is corroborated, at the moment some of it has.

Much can still be gleaned about that afternoon without any

reference to it, just from the archived material, and it's interesting to reflect on how this might relate to the FW pics.

We have a few _firm_ time reference points in the story, one is when the whole media who-har started, that is agreed as the first AP wire release at 3.26pm Fort Worth time (I'll use FW time throughout) was sent out to the network. Another firm time we have is a phone call placed to FWAAF's Maj Edwin Kirton by the Dallas Morning News at 5.30pm. At this time Kirton gives the DMN the weather balloon cover story, so we know the cover story was actually in place an hour _before_ the AP's 6.30pm Irving Newton ID story.

What was happening in that 2 hours up to the 5.30pm phone call though?.

It seems that a great "change of mind" or the "cover story" happened but not before some _none_ cover story reports went out that paint a different picture.

In fact if we wind back the clock just over 30 minutes to 4.53pm the AP ran a piece datelined Washington which quoted Ramey saying "the _disk_ has been sent to Wright Field", note _not_ the balloon.

We have a further quote which must have been obtained before that 5.30pm cover story cutoff point, the quote is from the very same Maj Edwin Kirton who at 5.30pm was giving the balloon cover story to the DMN.

He gave Reuters News Service the following direct quote from Ramey.

The Reuters report reads:

Before Brigadier General Rameys broadcast Major Edwin Kirtan, duty officer at Eighth Air Force headquarters at Fort Worth, quoted him as saying "it looks like a hexagonal object covered with tinfoil or other shining material suspended from a balloon of about twenty feet in diameter. It is possibly a weather balloon flown at the highest altitude but none of the army men at this base recognize it as an army type balloon."

The astute will notice that the description is almost the same wording as the 6.12pm FBI teletype, this is not surprising as it was Maj Kirton who phoned the FBI and gave them that information. And it also, to me, clarifies a little the twist in the tail of the FBI teletype.

The FBI agent writes referring to the FWAAF's belief in the debris being a balloon as had been suggested:

"telephonic conversation between their office and Wright Field HAD NOT BORNE OUT THIS BELIEF"...

and later he confirms Ramey's earlier statement quoted from the Washington source:

... "Disc and balloon being transported to Wright Field by special plane for examination..."

The above Reuters quote clearly tells us that though the debris <u>had</u> been examined there at FWAAF, <u>none</u> of the staff there could identify it. And though it <u>looked</u> like balloon/target material note how the use of "tinfoil" is qualified by "or other shining material".

I find it impossible to believe FWAAF would not be able to identify "tinfoil" but here we have a direct quote from Ramey saying they _could__not_, I find it impossible to believe FWAAF would not be able to identify a neoprene weather balloon but here we have a direct quote from Ramey saying they _could_ _not_.

If they suspected it as balloon and target debris why not just run down to the stores and get one to compare it with?.

For all the debris "resembled" that of a weather balloon, and that solution seems to have been floated at an early stage, when

it came to the crunch as the FBI teletype spells out:

"telephonic conversation between their office and Wright Field HAD NOT BORNE OUT THIS BELIEF"

In plain language the debris might have looked like a wrecked balloon and target but when they examined it in detail _and_ conferring with Wright Field home of the AAF's technical bods, they had concluded _it_ _wasn't_.

So what have we got in the FW pictures?...debris that looks like a weather balloon and radar target? ...sure....

But what happens when we look closely at the debris, what do we find?.

We find some of that debris that couldn't possibly be from a weather balloon and target, this additionally confirmed now by measurements of the debris, measurements that check out as 98% accurate on test articles of known size within the photographs.

If it looks like a duck _and_ quacks like a duck, then it most probably is a duck.

But conversely,

The debris in the photographs might look like an ML307 and balloon _but_ some of it has "bells and whistles" it shouldn't have, and some of it's measurements don't fit.

In conclusion, we therefore appear to have a period sometime after 3.26pm when FWAAF seems have been giving out a straight story and openly cooperating with press inquires, and without any hint of a security matter in sight. Could we speculate on this early, apparently open cooperation with the press being extended to an acting Star Telegram photographer taking some pictures?, Ramey did not seem to have any problem about Reuters being told they didn't know what the heck the debris was, and having gone that far verbally, was there reason then to stop a photographer taking it's picture too?.

Have we given FWAAF far too much credit in knowing just what was happening, particularly early on that afternoon?. After all FWAAF was at the end of a very extended, and at the NM end tenuous, communications chain starting 60+ miles out in the desert.

Neil

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Alfred's Odd Observation #005

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Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 06:49:46 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 11:20:48 -0500
Subject: Alfred's Odd Observation #005

Alfred's Odd Observation #005 (Monday - January 21, 2002)

The only thing I can report on this iteration is that Jupiter is almost one twelfth of its way around its current orbit, but the skies are otherwise dead. Oh, I've seen birds, bolides and balloons, airplanes and ancillaries, and other things that one suspects _should_ be up there, but nothing like those *things* inspiring this current series of odd observations. No strangely moving night lights silently crawling the night sky like glowing beetles...

Nothing...

So - I've included in this issue the Brahms of Ufology, Dr. J. Allen Hynek, in a Foreword he wrote for another serious work exploring the reality of this *thing* that interests us all so much. Apparently we're not the only ones interested. And given the facts? The reader can bet that someone is interested somebody knows, Hynek thinly hints...

Allen Hynek, remember, maintained (throughout his association with this touchy subject) the highest caliber of respect, appreciation, and acknowledged integrity as is possible for a man of science to achieve. His words are not to be taken lightly, shallowly considered, or disregarded. He was in at the ground floor of the anomalous with few others and what he says today is every bit as important, factual and truthful as it was almost forty years ago... Read on!

FOREWORD to Jacques and Janine Vallee's 'Challenge to Science: The UFO Enigma'

By J.ALLEN HYNEK - Chairman, Department of Astronomy, and Director, Dearborn Observatory, Northwestern University

WHAT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE Scientist confronted with observations that seem not only a challenge but sometimes also an affront to science? How does one discharge this responsibility? The UFO phenomenon presents us with such a problem. To most scientists who have no acquaintance with the subject, save that gained from scanning the popular press, it is an "untouchable" area. "Flying saucers" indeed - the product of immature, imaginative, and even unbalanced, minds the playground of the pseudo-scientist and the quasi-mystic, the haven of the crackpot.

Is this really so? Obviously, if one is to apply the scientific principles we all staunchly defend, one must take the time to look into the subject carefully, to look, and to consider. But time is precisely what today's scientists, in some respects the world's busiest people, do not have! Who can take the time to wade through the seeming morass of stories, fanciful tales, chimera, and balderdash when so many pressing things demand the scientist's immediate attention? As an astronomer, I probably would never have approached the subject had I not been officially asked to do so. Over the past eighteen years I have acted as a scientific consultant to the U.S. Air Force on the subject of unidentified flying objects - UFOs. As a consequence of my work on the voluminous Air Force files and, to a greater extent, on personal investigation of many puzzling cases and interviews with witnesses of good repute, I have long been aware that the subject of UFOs could not be dismissed as mere nonsense. Nonsense is present, to be sure, and misidentification of otherwise familiar objects that many sincere people report as UFO's.

But is there not a "signal" in the "noise," a needle in the haystack? Is it not precisely our role to try to isolate the valid from the nonsensical. By carefully working through tons of pitchblende, Madame Curie isolated a tiny amount of radium, but the significance of that minute quantity was world- shaking.

It is my conclusion (speaking now personally and not in an official capacity) after many years of working through "tons" of reports, that there is a signal, that there is "radium" in the "pitchblende," waiting to be extracted. The authors of this book have come to the same conclusion, by a somewhat different path. Whether the scientifically valid in the entire UFO phenomenon proves to be a physical signal or a psychological one oz even a heretofore unknown phenomenon it is in every respect a challenge to science.

Perhaps I should have spoken earlier; eighteen years is a long time. But it takes more evidence to get an idea accepted in a revolutionary field, be it biological evolution, relativity, or quantum mechanics, than it does to advance simply another step in an accepted scientific domain. Furthermore, astronomers are among the most conservative of scientists. Perhaps this is because their time scale is so great that they naturally bide their time in proposing or accepting revolutionary ideas, particularly if such ideas are subject to sensational treatment in the press and in the minds of the people.

Nonetheless, I have of late been rebuked, in my correspondence with people whose integrity I respect, with the charge that I failed to call the importance of the air force data on UFO's to the attention of my peers. If any defense is needed, in view of the controversial and explosive nature of the subject, it is that I did indeed on many occasions call guarded attention to the steadily growing mass of reports made by intelligent people from many countries.

As early as 1952, before the Optical Society of America I pointed out the significant nature of some types of UFO reports (article published in the Journal of the Optical Society of America, April, 1953). Over and above that, there remains the fact that for years I have personally devoted a portion of my time to this subject, an action that would be unthinkable had I not felt it was worthy of examination. I have long been aware that the UFO phenomenon is a global one and that it has captured the attention of many rational people. Numerous scientists have privately told me of their interest and their willingness to look further into the problem.

Also, as a scientific consultant to the U.S. Air Force, I carry a unique responsibility: any statement I make on the importance of the UFO phenomenon, unless backed by overwhelming evidence, carries the danger of "mobilizing the credulity of the world," as a university colleague of mine so aptly put it. I recognize that responsibility in accepting the invitation of the authors to write the Foreword to this book. It was only my respect for the authors as serious investigators and the continued and growing mass of unexplained UFO reports that prompted me to accept. I have over the years acquired something of a reputation as a "debunker" of UFO reports. If this arose from my honest desire to find a rational natural explanation for the stimuli that give rise to the reports, a procedure very frequently crowned with success, then I must bear with that reputation. If it stems, however, from a belief that I deliberately adopted a Procrustean approach, cutting down or stretching out evidence to make a forced fit, deliberately to "explain away" UFO reports at all cost, then it is a most unwarranted charge.

In my nearly two score years' association with the investigation of the reports, I have yet to write a book on the subject, primarily because there is no physical evidence in support of the phenomenon Were I to write such a book today, however, I probably would take much the same approach followed by the

present authors. The Vallee's present a formidable amount of evidence for the global nature of the UFO phenomenon, but despite this they come to no firm conclusion. As they state: "We must realize that the observations we have reviewed... have no value in themselves. They are important, and deserve study, only because each one is an illustration of a phenomenon that has manifested itself since May, 1946, in every country in the world." Besides the fact that the reports bear striking similarities to each other, they continue to be made by people of good repute, which makes it imperative that a scientific investigation be undertaken. Because of the global nature of the total phenomenon this investigation might well be carried out under the auspices of the United Nations. The psychological implications of the UFO phenomenon on world affairs certainly make it worthy of study. It makes no difference, in this respect, what the physical truth of the matter is; it is the impact it has on the minds of people in many nations that makes it potentially important in the psycho-sociological balance of the world.

My own interest, as an astronomer, in the total phenomenon is, of course, purely scientific Some readers many well wonder whether this seemingly flamboyant subject is amenable to scientific inquiry. What constitutes scientific evidence in this field The authors present a convincing argument that the UFO phenomenon can be studied with the advanced methods of inquiry of the physical scientist and of the sociologist and psychologist. In all of these methods the electronic computer figures prominently.

Scientific inquiry becomes possible when the phenomenon under study exhibits patterns and regularities, when it is subject to classification. The authors have shown that a classification system (the start of many branches of science) of UFO phenomena is possible and, indeed, that each type they have identified shows a different diurnal frequency pattern. In particular, their catalogue of five hundred cases should be of interest to scientists. I cannot help drawing a parallel with the first catalogues of celestial radio sources: the great majority of the entries were unidentified optically; only more advanced methods of analysis and observation revealed that some of these were distant radio galaxies and that some were the striking new puzzle, quasi-stellar sources. The present catalogue of UFO cases consists, with very few exceptions of unidentified items; one wonders whether the parallel with the catalogue of radio sources continues.

Certainly no progress can be made without scientific study. Unfortunately, as the authors point out, scientists, "draped with dignity," have often refused to study the reports. The fact of the matter is that many of my colleagues who have draped their dignity long enough to take a hard look at the reports have joined the growing ranks of the puzzled scientists: they privately indicate serious interest in the phenomenon but publicly they choose, like the subject itself, to remain unidentified; they are unwilling to expose themselves to the raillery and banter that go with it. It is to them in particular, and to all who faster the true Galilean spirit, that this book will be of greatest value. They grope and seek, examining even those ideas that seem fanciful and strange, for they know haw strange and fanciful the term "nuclear energy" would have been to a physicist one hundred years ago. They are ready to accept a new challenge to science.

Almost 40 years have passed since this was written, and sometimes I feel as if I'm the only one ready to accept that new challenge... you? Read on!

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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, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Life - In Space And Time

From: Joe McGonagle <<u>joem cgonagle@yahoo.com</u>> Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 14:15:19 -0000 Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 11:22:27 -0500 Subject: Life - In Space And Time

The following is a short extract from a nature science article at:

http://www.nature.com/nsu/020114/020114-7.html

[main title: Life, As It Was In The Beginning?]

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Life - in space and time

Biologists have speculated for many years that hydrogen-powered ecosystems could exist beneath the ground. The methanogen community suggests they were right, says astronomer and astrobiologist Richard Taylor of the Probability Research Group in London.

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Cheers, Joe

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Re: Cydonian Imperative: 01-20-02 - MOLA 'Mishap'

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Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 15:46:22 -0000
Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 11:23:45 -0500
Subject: Re: Cydonian Imperative: 01-20-02 - MOLA 'Mishap'

>Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 13:28:23 -0800 (PST)
>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Cydonian Imperative: 01-20-02 - MOLA 'Mishap'
>To: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>

>The Cydonian Imperative
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Well done, Mac, I really did appreciate this article,

Joe McGonagle

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Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules - Meiners

From: Jean Meiners <legalco@uswest.net>
Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 09:20:44 -0700
Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 11:29:20 -0500
Subject: Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules - Meiners

>Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 16:12:59 -0500
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>
>From: John Velez <<u>johnvelez.aic@verizon.net></u>
>Subject: Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 15:18:48 EST
>>Subject: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules
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Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules -

From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com</u>> Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 11:52:41 EST Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 18:01:57 -0500 Subject: Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules -

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>Jean M.

Yes, I agree. However you must appreciate something. When in the history of this conundrum, have so many doctors in one medical group or even in any independent practice, agreed to such a study?

In this group are psychiatrists, dermatologist, dental surgeons, internists, gastroenterologists, cardiovascular, cardiac, surgeons, and most of the other specialists you can think of.

I will live by their rules to begin the project. These are not a bunch of morons who do this in a haphazard way. They will make some general conculsions and go from there.

Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules -

This is the (I pray) the beginning of a project which could be of great merit. I would be grateful for support at this time, rather than instant disgust with it, already noted.

I can assure that all the valid questions will be answered and appreciate everyone's concern. Stick with it, wish us luck and don't judge yet. It is only the (again I pray) beginning.

Jim

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 12:15:42 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 18:04:19 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Maccabee

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>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
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>>Kevin Randle is certainly to be commended for being involved >>with UFO research despite being a science fiction writer.

>Randle is the _only_ SF writer I know of who defends the ET >hypothesis for some UFOs. Although Gregory Benford has made some >sensible suggestions for UFO research and doesn't appear to have >quite the ego-problem with it that other SF hardliners seem to.

Since my book is fiction, except the part that is science, and since it is set in the future (the action in the book commences in the fall of 2002 and ends in 2005) it could be called science fiction. So I guess I could be called a "science fiction writer" in a small way, who supports the OI (Other Intrelligences) hypothesis for UFOs.

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Lowly Yabby Could Claw its Way to Mars http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/space/01/16/mars.crayfish/index.html

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Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 12:06:57 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 18:10:14 -0500
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Could you please point me to the studies/analysis/data that proves these reported "abductions" to be a physical reality? If there is no such evidence, then your blanket statements categorizing people as "abductees" have no basis in fact.

True, people report "abduction experiences" but the reporting doesn't qualify as cold, hard fact that is backed up by cold, hard data collected from cold, hard studies on physical evidence to support the claims made.

A quick websearch turned up over 200 references to PTSD and claims of alien abduction. Here is a sampling:

http://www.opus-net.org/cc%20-%20disc%20of%20ea%20experiences.htm

http://azlweb01.allianzlife.com/imgate.nsf/fa81717ba5b21c9a062565a900793161/ 5dee8bd2bf7a23b006256613001307ff?OpenDocument

http://www.gsb.columbia.edu/faculty/rfisman/CULTURAL.pdf

There would appear to be some basis for statements linking PTSD with claims of alien abduction. "The Docca's" blanket statement would appear to be supported, at least to a degree, by studies/research done.

Bobbie

"The level of civilization of a people can be judged by the social position of its women." - Domingo Sarmiento

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>Jim:

>This one is extremely interesting, at least to me, probaby many >others to boot.

>>4. How were the subjects for the study chosen? What criteria was >>utilized to first 'identify' the 'abductees', and then what did >>they base their final candidate selections on?>

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>This, to me, is the most important of all. Without a viable >control, with bonafide abductees, and a control unit, nothing >else would matter. It would be like going down a road, anywhere >in the world, and asking questions of anyone you meet. No >control, except an assumption.

Hiya Jean,

No doubt my post will be recieved as a personal attack. However, if rank amateurs like you and me can see the obvious faults and pick Mortellaro's 'folly' apart so easily, imagine what trained scientists and skeptics will do with it!

"Doing things right" especially anything to connected to the investigation of abduction reports is a real sticking point with me. (For obvious reasons) My own input comes from the need to insure that _anything_ connected to testing or investigating of abductees is handled/carried out as thoughtfully and as competently as humanly possible. If we expect others to take us seriously, we sure as hell better take ourselves seriously. At least in _public_ anyway. Privately we can laugh at our own misfortunes for the healing therapy it provides all we want to. In the public arena, we have some deadly serious business to conduct with the 'People'.

When one of us plays the fool in public it makes us all look like fools. I go out of my way to conduct myself and my business in public according to the highest standards that I can set for myself. Setting the bar higher than my own reach forces me to grow and to learn. It also enhances my performance when I'm out in public wearing my 'abductee' hat. I do so mostly because I am acutely aware that other abductees are being judged by whomever is reading my chicken scratches, (to a certain extent) and by whatever comes out of me. As an individual case that has been publicly presented (by Budd Hopkins as an example of an "abductee,") I have always considered that public role to be a sacred trust and one that is charged with responsibility to others. I keep it simple, I tell only the truth of what has happened to me, and I do it in as honest and open a way as I can. Being thought of as "funny" or "witty" is the farthest thing from my mind. (And my purpose in participating in a public forum.)

All those who report UFO abduction experiences are in need of help and a serious investigation. _That_ should be the (united) goal and focus for any experiencers that participate (make their voices heard) on these public e-mail Lists. 'Clowns' who want laughs or who crave affection should try cultivating intimate interpersonal relationships in the real world as opposed to impersonal ones over the Internet that lack the intimacy and commitment of face to face interactions.

As abductees we face a monumental challenge. One that requires seriousness, dedication, and unity of purpose. The kind of 'cowboy' pseudo-science that Mortellaro proposes doesn't help us one bit. In fact, it hurts us much more than it helps. But then, as evidenced by his posts, I think Jim is much more concerned with his standing in our little community as a (at times) barely comprehensible comic buffoon than he is about how seriously people take him as a self-diagnosed/self-proclaimed abductee. This is a UFO List. I sometimes get the distinct impression that he meant to sign on to Comedy.com and just got the URL wrong.

Thanx for the input Jean. We need to maintain our focus and to continue to demand respect from the public along with a proper investigation. No second best for us. We are ignored crime victims. (kidnapped)

We deserve only the very best after all the sh*t we've been through at the hands of the bugs, as well as at the hands of our own fellow-creatures. As abductees, we get _banged_ on both ends! Time to get serious and settle down to the monumental work before us. I enjoy a giggle as much as the next guy. But... ourselves, our family's and most importantly our children are involved in this mess. We can all sit around and laugh/yuk it up later. :)

Warm regards,

John Velez

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>* Get the popcorn out, this one's a marathon! :) JV

>Hola Docca,

>You write:

>>PTS appears to be common among abductees.

>Here we go again. You make the blanket statement above as if it >had some basis in established fact.

No, I say that abductees _do_ suffer many of the symptoms of PTSD. And a book by that expert I spoke of, draws the same conclusions. The purpose of this early _start_ is to demonstrate or disprove this "blanket statement."

Get it? I wish to have all the experts in the medical field now made available to me... to us... make that decision.

Instead of being positive, cooperative and of demonstrating suggestions, you immediately launch into your usual rant, just because it is me. This is not in consort with the kind of positive involvement which you claim to embrace. Which is telling.

>It doesn't.

>Why do I say that?

>In this latest missive you appeal to "researchers" to consider >PTS as it applies to 'abductees'. Based on that statement I'd >like to ask a few pertinent questions first if I may.

Ask away, however I've asked nothing of researchers, except to look at the opinions of physicians, the very same physicians you have been asking to study this subject for a long, long time. Why now, do you object based on nothing. Nothing.

Why? Because nothing has yet been done. That is the purpose of this study. You object to that? Then I question your sincerity and your motives for calling yourself an advocate.

>1. Could you please point me to the psychological studies that >were performed on 'abductees' that arrived at the conclusion >you have cited in your comment above?

No, can you? Which is why this is being done. Not only by psychologists, but by physicians and specialists. Now, what the hell is wrong with your picture?

http://www.ufoupdateslist.com/2002/jan/m21-020.shtml[10/12/2011 09:44:15]

>Reason for asking: PTS syndrome is a difficult diagnosis at >best. It would take extensive and long term therapy/counselling >in order to nail down the specific causes/origins of it in any >individual. In the case of an 'abductee' the complexity of the >diagnosis becomes doubled as a therapist would be hard put to >differentiate between trauma's that are related to 'normal' >life experiences and any that may be related to the >'abductions'.

Partly true. However, when was the last time someone was able to gather together an _entire_ medical group of physicians with which to begin such a study? And this study is exactly what you ask above. Hopefully if preliminary results indicate even a small relationship, the rest of what you ask will be accomplished.

I ask again, what the hell is your problem with obtaining exactly what you are asking for? And when did this ever happen before? Never!

No one, not even you, has been able to do such a thing, let alone begin such a thing. Perhaps if it had been you who was able to begin such an exciting study, by recognized physicians (voted the best medical group in the state), the idea would really be a "dust bunny and a half," eh?

>It takes a long time to reach a point of familiarity with a >client that would allow such determinations to be made with any >degree of certainty. Ergo, based on your statement, a large >enough sampling of abductees would have had to undergo some >form of long term diagnostic counselling in order to pin down >'abduction' as the cause of origin for any symptomology being >attributed to PTS.

And I presume that you, Sir, are an expert in this area? Not. And even if you were, what the hell difference does this make to the fact that my doctor, who has known be for 35 years, has taken it upon himself and his associates, to attempt something like this. It is (I pray) just the beginning. So live with it. Long term? Maybe. We shall see what they have to say. No one has _ever_ gotten even this far. So what the hell are you objecting to? Nothing. For what you ask, shall be (I pray) determined.

>2. Who conducted the study?

>Reason for asking: It would carry more weight if those >conducting a study to determine the origin of PTS syndrome >symptoms in any individual was performed by (more than one) >mental health expert, and preferably by professionals that have >no 'preconceived' notions about UFO abduction or predilection >toward any belief system regarding same. No one to date has >conducted such a specific and detailed study. I'm curious as to >which group conducted what study that drew the conclusion you >announce in public.

I'm curious why you make such a ridiculous statement. This is an exciting development never before attempted. And there _are_ experts who've already agreed to make a start and draw some preliminary data with which to decide to go further. Live with that too. And I suppose that you are not paying attention again. The purpose of this preliminary study is to determine EXACTLY what you ask for. So again, what the hell is your problem?

>3. How many 'abductees' were involved in the study and over >how long a period of time?

>Reason for asking: The _number_ of participants in such a study >as well as 'who' conducted it, and under what conditions would >have _great_ bearing on the weight that any findings would >carry.

>280 abductees out of say 300 would be much more compelling and >significant, carry much more weight, than say findings based on >a study of five or ten individuals by a single researcher with >no credentials. Maybe even one who may be biased one way or >another _before_ they even begin. People who conduct studies who >also have a personal aganda (something they're looking to prove) >usually find a way to justify the results they were after to >begin with. Establishing objectivity of those conducting the >study would be of paramount importance. All these factors will >contribute to how seriously the results/findings/conclusions, >should be taken.

One small step for abductees. One giant leap for the research. I shall let the experts determine sample size. And when did you become an expert in statistical analysis? This is not a formal study, it is a preliminary one. When has this even been attempted before, let alone accomplished? List the times. Let me know why you object to a beginning. This is gonna be a feast for this list if you do.

>4. How were the subjects for the study chosen? What criteria was >utilized to first 'identify' the 'abductees', and then what did >they base their final candidate selections on?

None of anyone's business, not at this time.

Reason: Preserving the identity and personal information of the small group. And, this is merely the start. Hello? Is your computer working?

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You. As you know _some_ of these abductees and have acknowledged (in the past) their legitimacy insofar as your opinion is concerned.

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>quoted from you above, you really need to do your homework and
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>of substantiating studies/information. You need to include who,
>what, and where or it's just more self-serving and meaningless
>blather. It doesn't help the cause to secure a serious
>investigation for _all_ of us.

Frankly my dear, I just don't give a damn. Why? Because nothing is sweeping at all. It's a start. A beginning. Hello? Is your computer working? How about your intellect?

The only serious impediment to this project is your negativity. You really have a serious problem. Think about my first statements. When in the history of this conundrum, has such a study _ever_ been started. However small. And the preliminary results of these dedicated men and women (the physicians) will determine if the project continues. As they will determine sample size, select candidates with the help of researchers whom you and I respect. You object to something you know nothing about. Sit tight and let me do my thing. We may all learn something. Even you.

>You see, one of the things that myself and many others have been >working and fighting long and hard for is; a serious >investigation by the mainstream scientific and academic >community. Which will hopefully include _security/police_ >experts as well. After all, what is being reported by so many >people from all parts of the globe is nothing short of willful >abduction/kidnap. A commonly acknowledged 'crime' in all >countries of the world.

Fine. Go gather together a group of law enforcement people, and do the same thing that I am doing. Start a project in lieu of contradicting something which is exactly what you've been asking for for years. A staff of medico's who are determined to learn something, which is more than I can say about your opinions stated here.

But since it is _me_ who does it, it is a disservice to God, the Universe, Humanity and the abductee, whom you've worked so hard to protect.

Grow up. The green-eyes of that monster of the same name is showing on your right shoulder. It should be on your left one.

>Now someone like you comes along and makes a statement like "PTS >appears to be common among abductees," without offering or >providing one shred of substantive evidence that such a >statement is even remotely true. You (falsely) give people the >impression that your comment is based on some kind of accepted >or proven fact. I've said this a thousand times and I'll >continue to say it until the skies fall; "There have been _no_ >(as in, none, nada, zippo, zero) formal studies conducted on >those who are reporting UFO/alien abduction." Period. That's >what the hell I'm out here working for year after year.

Which is the purpose of this study. Hello? Is your computer working. What the hell is the matter with you? Can't you read?

In a book now being prepared, as I've already said, the connection to PTSD is being established. Because I have access to the shorts makes me a little more knowledgeable than you. So why bother to rant when you have no knowledge of this subject and the studies being made? And this book is the basis for the study being done. Excerpts from it were one of the reasons for the doctors' decision.

>To warn others and to get the 'serious' attention of the >research community is very thing I fight the hardest for. >Instead of lending your support to get an investigation for all >of us, you seem to be working _counter_ to that common goal with >a vigor I have rarely witnessed. And all of it coming from >someone who is _never_ able to "back up" _any_ of the outrageous >statements that you make about other experiencers in very >_public_ forums. Every time you do so I am compelled to step in >and question it. Fair, honest questions. But I'll be damned if >I'm going to allow such pure speculative nonsense to go by >unchallenged.

I really care not one whit whether you challenge it or not, for in the final analysis, everything you say is purely based on your own personal dislike for me and anything I do or say. You debase a project of great potential merit at the very beginning.

I've warned no one. I've not countered anything. Except your personal dislike for me. As for backing up... what the hell is it that I am attempting to do. Duh! Back up or deny a theory. You seem to have a problem with that. Or is it me you have a problem with. And I've never made a claim about anything I could not back up. I _have_ made a good deal of opinions on this list. You have too.

In fact, you debased your misunderstood comments about my doubting my experiences. You confuse the word you used, "doubt" with the word I use, investigate. Seek. And yet, with all of your words on that subject, you admitted on Strange Days... Indeed, that we should be investigating the truth of this conundrum. You even admitted that it could be something other than real. Woof! Do you have a problem or do you have a problem.

Perhaps I should 'do my homework' and tell the Docs to forget the entire project because you think it's my project and the experts' project and because you think I've already made up my mind and have told everyone it's true while in reality, it is something I am attempting to prove _or_ disprove.

Hello? Is your computer working?

Because it is _they,_ the experts, who will make all the decisions. Not me. It is they, who will select candidates based on the best sampling I could come up with. And they are relatively well known cases. As I've said, even you know some of them.

>You never once stop to consider how many you may be tarring >unjustly with your 'one size fits all' brushes. Sure, if

I never said anything of the kind. You just did.

>someone, anyone had been put through the kind of trauma that so >many of us have experienced, it would have profound >ramifications on the person and their psyche. But first you need >to establish the fact of the trauma by conducting a proper >investigation or study to determine if such a thing is true or >not.

Which is the purpose of the study. Duh!

>You make statements that sound like conclusions that have >been arrived at honestly by credible people conducting credible >study's. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Which is the purpose of the study. Duh!

The purpose of the study is to attempt to establish this connection. Are you paying attention?

>You can't just say anything that pops into your gripple-soaked >melon just because it happens to suit your purposes. (Whatever >wild theories and conclusions you plan to sell the public in >this often threatened "book" of yours.) A statement such as "PTS >appears to be common among abductees" needs to be backed up with >some kind of substantive study that was conducted in an above >board fashion by competent professionals. Who, as a result of >all that hard work have determined that such a thing as you >proclaim to the listening world is true.

I object to your insulting reference of me as a "Gripple-soaked melon." It is demeaning. Perhaps that is what you intended?

This is the substantive study. Woof! You are not paying attention. Sir, you are personally involved in so much angst that you cannot see that the point of this start, this beginning, is to do just what you suggest above.

I hope that you begin to see the light. And further, I am not really interested in your opinions. Because they are not relevant, valid or accurate. They are in fact, highly flavored with your anger with me. And further, the project is not Velez'. It is the 'Docca'. That makes it, ipso facto, devoid of any merit.

>Bottom Line:

>Aside from your need to develop interest in the theories you >plan to put forth in this book of yours, we _all_ need to be >"investigated/studied." You give the false impression that >(unbiased, professionally conducted) studies which arrive at the >conclusions you state have actually been conducted.

I do not. You do. What a stupid remark. The purpose is to do the investigation. I won't make the decisions, the experts will. I am not pushing anything. I am pushing the investigation, the study. You are pushing. And way too far I must say.

And I expect that the study will reveal such as you've written. Yes. So?

"This book of mine."

"That book of yours."

Are you listening to yourself? If that is not bias, then John, you need to look in the mirror and take stock of your inventory of what is valid and what is highly charged with personal angst, if not a high degree of someone stealing your fire.

>It's not true.

It sure is.

>>The
>>signs and symptoms of which are _very_ common and very similar
>>to those who suffer it from the affects of war, catastrophe and
>>of course, the abductee.

>Show me where and by whom this conclusion has been determined >and what it is based on Jim. Who were the researchers? Who were >the subjects? Where is the results of this study published?

Again ... _Duh!_ This is the purpose of the study. HELLO?

>>Among the worst are those symptoms which stem from the auto
>>immune system. You've heard the story from me many times and are
>>likely to get bored when you read it again here and in the book,
>>as I've asked this wonderful and very knowledgeable lady to
>>write or allow me to use, a synopsis in a chapter. In reading
>>her shorts... uh... let me use a different word... I've never
>>even seen her shorts... in reading her documents and comparing
>>them with the symptoms exhibited by victims of Desert Storm,
>>Vietnam and temblor victims, I was shocked to see that they were

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>>not merely similar, they were nearly identical.

>So, you know for a fact that; abductees demonstrate PTS as a >direct result of the abductions. (And are derived from nowhere >else.) ie; which part of it may come from abductions or which >parts may come from say, repeated beatings they may have endured >from an abusive parent.) b. You compare PTS symptoms from Gulf >war veterans to the symptoms exhibited by abductees as if it was >already a given that abductees (many of them according to you) >exhibit PTS symptoms that have been determined to originate with >the UFO abduction experiences. Oh, and that those 'symptoms' are >identical to war vets.

>Hog-wash!

I agree. Your statements and lack of sensibility in my case, to be objective, is revealing.

And it is spelled, "Hogwash!"

>>I've asked our very broad minded (there I go again) neurologist
>>as well as our dermatologist and internist, all of whom are
>>aware of my experiences, and my psychiatrist, to each
>>investigate my symptoms and signs, and compare them with those
>>of others whom I've referred to them.

>Gee, they "share" patient information with you? What ever >happened to doctor-patient confidentiality? Wouldn't they be >breaking that trust to provide you with _any_ information that >they obtained during an examination? I would recommend to anyone >participating to; a. sue you, and b. sue the pants off the >doctors. New Cadillacs all around!

Share the results with me? Not the individual case history, most of which I know anyway. Where is it written that I will be looking at individual data? Huh? Oh, I got it. In your mind!

And feel free to sue me.

>>The doctors have agreed to
>>see these folks at no charge, which I find interesting.

>So do I. The way you plan to obtain data for your book/theory is
>_illegal!_

Wow. And I suppose you carry the word, "Esquire" at the end of your other titles? I've already cleared this with my and the medical group's attorneys. DUH!

>>Among

>>the small but very select group are two well known (among us)
>>abductees, four others who have not come out of their closets
>>and two quite normal people who suffer nothing at all. The group
>>will also include five people who are presently suffering PTS
>>from:

>>1) The WTC catastrophe

>>2) The 1983 Mexico City earthquake (which I believe was an 8.3)

>>3) The midwest floods and

>>4) One of the worst tornados ever to hit Alabama (which as I >>recall occured on or about 1978-ish.

>>Each of these are coming to New York at their own expense except
>>for three, for whom this poverty stricken new home owner is
>>footing the bill. Somebody better buy the farkina book or I am
>>in deep doo doo.

>If this 5 or 6 person study you've concocted hasn't been >performed yet, how is it that you post your conclusions first? >(a. "many" abductees suffer from PTS, and b. that the >manifestation of the PTS in the abductees is the same as that >manifested by Gulf war veterans.) Both scientifically and >ufologically speaking, you're so out of touch with reality that >it would take an interstellar rescue mission to retrieve you.

>>I shall report anything of import, in general terms, here on
>>UpDates. The data, if it works out, will be in the book.
>>Donations for the Gesundt Publishing Company are welcome.

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>Oh, I can't wait. BTW, the check is in the mail! ;)

<snip>

>right. Gotcha.

No, you don't. Which is your personal addiction. To cast aspersions at every turn at anything I do. Like it or not, John, you are not a faithful servant of this research as you say you are.

Now that I've repeated myself by repeating your repeating yourself, I should warn you, I am going to now take a Prilosec. You've given me a case of agida. As usual.

Tell you what, Velez, _YOU_ make the selection. Howzzat? You decide who should be examined. Howzzat?

You run the study with my doctors' group. Howzzat? Make you feel better? Go ahead. Take it over. Or lighten up and leave it alone, leave it to the experts.

Jim

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Philip K. Dick [was: Review: Abduction in My Life]

From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 18:39:27 -0500
Subject: Philip K. Dick [was: Review: Abduction in My Life]

>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
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>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 17:53:40 -0500

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>On the other hand, he did have paranormal experiences, >especially the one he describes in "Valis," where a beam of >purple light (if I remember the color correctly)

Pink, I'm pretty sure...

>told him about a potentially fatal illness his young son had, >which no doctor had diagnosed. Dick insisted tests be done, and >the child indeed had the condition.

>Dick thought he received messages of some kind from some >non-earthly entity. Or maybe it's better to say he received >information not from earth. An entity - in the sense of an alien >or, God help us, transdimensional being, or whatever we'd like >to imagine -- might not have been involved, as he understood >things. I heard about this at great length from him before he >died, and, again, it's in 'Valis' (though written as fiction). >(We never talked about UFOs the two times we met, so I have no >direct idea what his views were.)

As PKD is one of my main inspirations, let me say "wow." You're the first person I've encountered who actually met Dick, not counting K.W. Jeter.

>Patricia Anthony, a real gem of a writer, uses a lot of UFO >lore in her books. Her novel "Brother Termite" imagines what >might happen if the abduction aliens - the same ones we meet >in hundreds of abductee reports - take over.

'Brother Termite' is a delicious read. And it's going to be a movie called Citizen Termite'.

>Thomas M. Disch (the librettist of two of my operas) is no >longer especially known as a science fiction writer, having >outgrown the field and joined the ranks of general literature.

"Outgrown" science fiction? Those are fighting words, dude. :)

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <macbot@yahoo.com>
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Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 18:49:39 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Tonnies

>From: Michael Haggard <<u>mikeh@cybertrails.com></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 14:06:46 -0700

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>P K D wrote the book Valis that suggested aliens sent him >information through a beam of light. There has been much >UFO/Conspiracy theory about the book being auto-biographical.

Having read his collected writings, I don't see any "conspiracy". 'Valis' was an admittedly autobiographical novel and even contained bits of Dick's nonfiction 'Exegesis'.

>There is also W.A. Harrison

Harbinson, actually...

>with the books Genesis, Inception, and Revelation dealing with >the possibility that UFOs are from a possible alien changeling >who worked for the Nazis (but for his >own ends).

The mastermind/bad guy in Harbinson's UFO novels wasn't an alien; he was a genius earthling who'd managed to postpone death through cybernetics. Harbinson's scenario is that the entirety of the modern UFO phenomenon can be explained by the experiments of an eccentric and amoral genius.

I've got the gist of this theory catalogued at:

http://mactonnies.com/whosthere.html

--Mac

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Re: Who Is The Mothman Expert? - Rutkowski

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Fwd Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 18:52:40 -0500
Subject: Re: Who Is The Mothman Expert? - Rutkowski

>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 11:03:30 -0500
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers >From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Who Is The Mothman Expert?

With all due respect to Messrs Coleman and Keel, I would like to suggest that a third book might be most closely related to the upcoming movie.

The Silver Bridge, by Gray Barker, published by Saucerian Press (1970) is a quirky, wide-eyed, surreal and vivid description of Barker's investigations of the Point Pleasant and Clarksburg sightings of Mothman, UFOs and the "prophecies" to which the reference is made. I have always enjoyed Keel's Mothman Prophecies, and rank it prominently as one of the most important and influential UFO books published to date. Keel's approach involved detailing many other related and seemingly-unrelated cases from around the world, boiling them down to enhance the eerie string of phenomena he found as he travelled through the area, interviewing witnesses.

But Barker's original book on the Point Pleasant weirdness, with its sensational style and fantastic prose (he himself considered the book 'poetry') seems more aligned with what we will see on screen when the movie opens this week.

As a Fortean, however, I look forward to adding Loren's book to my library soon!

Nobody in particular

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PRG Press Release - EXTRA Award - 1/21/02

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Subject: PRG Press Release - EXTRA Award - 1/21/02

PRG Paradigm Research Group

January 21, 2002

Press Release - PRG EXTRA Award Attn: News, Internet Editor/Reviewer/Webmaster

Washington, DC - Paradigm Research Group has given an EXTRA to a websites addressing the field of UFO/ET research/activism. Receiving in the research category is The Black Vault (<u>www.theblackvault.com</u>). The award is accompanied by a \$1000 grant.

The EXTRA is designed around Joe Tucciarone's expansive painting (<u>http://members.aol.com/INTERSTELL/art.html</u>) Genesis and is called the Extraterrestrial Phenomena Research Award - EXTRA. This and past awards and reviews are located at <u>www.paradigmclock.com/extra award.html</u>.

The purpose of the EXTRA is to raise the awareness of the media and public toward the quality and professionalism of websites devoted to extraterrestrial phenomena research and activism. The public perception is that the UFO presence on the Internet is silly, casual, and poor in quality. Nothing could be further from the truth. The effort put into these websites is often extraordinary. Every kind of web publishing technology is utilized, and all serious and important aspects of the work are richly represented.

January 2002 EXTRA Winner for Research

The Black Vault - <u>www.theblackvault.com</u> Publisher: John Greenewald, Jr. Webmaster: John Greenewald, Jr. Motto: "Exposing the Truth. Period."

Review

The Black Vault began in 1996 as a project of John Greenewald, Jr. when he was a high school student and quickly became the largest repository of FOIA documents pertaining to UFO/ET phenomena in the world. Many of these documents were obtained by FOIA requests submitted by Greenewald, himself. John is now a private researcher and has not only stayed the course, he has grown the site to literally massive proportions, including FOIA documents for a number of other areas of public interest. It is the view of Paradigm Research Group the Black Vault is one of the most important websites on the internet and should eventually receive substantial institutional support as a national resource.

The Paradigm Research Group is a lobbying/consulting project serving the interests of UFO/ET research/activist organizations around the country. It is dedicated to ending the government imposed embargo of the truth of an extraterrestrial presence and the convening of open, comprehensive congressional hearings to take the testimony of government witnesses as regards UFO/ET events and evidence. Contacts: The Black Vault: John Greenewald, Jr. -818-886-0131- john@greenewald.com Paradigm Research Group: Stephen Bassett

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"There is almost no limit to what you can accomplish, if you are willing to give away the credit."

"Intellectual passion is found at the intersection of fact and implication."

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Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u> Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 18:04:43 EST Fwd Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 04:04:33 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com></u>
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>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 11:37:09 -700
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
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>>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 19:23:21 -700
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Tue, 15 Jan 2002 09:19:42 EST
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>>>You assert that Roswell AAFB would have Rawins - implying that >>>they would be familiar with the device and its uses. In July >>>1947, Roswell did not have any ground-based radars. Indeed, in >>>order to practice radar counter-measures, the 509th had to beg >>>time from either the White Sands or Alamogordo radars.

>>I'm not sure this is quite right. They did request the use of >>ground-based radars at other facilities, but that seemed to be >>for the diversification of their practice bombing runs rather >>than a lack of ground-based radars at RAAF. There were several >>types of mobile radars and some of those assigned to the base in >>1947 have suggested that such radars were in place. I have found >>documentation that places ground-based radars at Roswell in the >>late summer of 1947 and there were radar technicians assigned to >>the base throughout 1947. This search continues.

>This is from a memo to the Commanding Officer of White Sands >from Capt. Frye of the 8th Army HQ, at Ft Worth on July 3rd, >1947.

>'There is a lack of ground radar equipment convenient to Eighth
>Air Force Bases which are located at Forth Worth, Texas, Tucson,
>Arizona, and Roswell, New Mexico; and since White Sands is
>easily within easy flying distance of all three bases, your
>cooperation is particularly desirable.'

>Note that the Air Base at Roswell is specifically mentioned. If, >as you speculate, diversification was desired, the three bases >would simply have flown against each other's radars. If Roswell >was the only one of the three that had a radar, then Ft Worth >and Tucson would have utilized that system. But, it can be >easily seen that this was not the case, and we have here the 8th >Army trying to beg time from the White Sands people.

While the above is persuasive, I think the key word here is

convenient which does not preclude ground based radars in Roswell (or the other locations) only that the radars would be used for other purposes such as GCA approaches. However, I have no direct evidence of this, only hints found in the unit histories and the base newspaper. I think I can establish the installation of a ground based radar in late July or early August, but this really does nothing to support my side.

I will also note that "lack of ground radar equipment convenient" is not the same as an absence of ground radar equipment. I believe that the door is open here, though not very wide.

I have also found references to the SCR-584 radars in and around the Roswell area in the right time frame. As you know, these were mobile and the support for them probably would have accompanied them.

<snip>

>I should also point out that most ground radars of the era were >mobile, including the one at White Sands. My guess is that your >sources are understandably a bit fuzzy as to exactly when Radars >were first introduced at the Roswell base. The memo quoted above >seems to be the only authority that can conclusively answer that >question.

It doesn't conclusively answer the question but suggests there were no radars that were convenient for their use. Training requirements might have tied up the radars longer than could be allowed given the other missions. I still continue to search for the definitive answer, realizing that it is very difficult to prove a negative.

<snip>

>>>Given this, it is highly unlikely that anyone at RAAFB would require
>>>the use of a Rawin, let alone have one laying around. Besides,
>>>Rawins would not be of any use to a bomber wing- their primary
>>>military use is for artillery units.

>>Ah, but I think you missed my point which was they were also >>used in atomic testing such as Operation Crossroads, which the >>509th and the 1st ATU participated in. The 1st ATU supplied the >>logistical support which means that the materials were staged >>and flown out of Roswell and in those equipment packages would >>have been weather balloons and Rawin targets. All equipment that >>was not used was eventually returned to Roswell, so in this >>case, it can be suggested that the balloons and targets could be >>found in Roswell.

>Again - doubtful. In my experience in the military, army-types >are not pack rats. If you don't need it today, throw it away. If >the 1st ATU utilized Rawins, then they would have taken them >back, not left them with the 509th. If they had left them >behind, the 509th would have thrown them out.

I'm sorry, I should have made it clear. The 1st ATU was assigned to the base at Roswell. They were the airlifters as opposed to the 509th Bomb Group which were the bombers.

And it has been my experience that when equipment was already loaded on a pallet, and was unused, it was returned to the home station rather than discarded. Yes, I know that Herbert Summer was on TDY to Roswell and told Phil Klass that there were no rawins at Roswell, but there is an indication there might have been, just not where you would expect them.

<snip>

>>Brazel's interview makes it
>>>quite obvious that Marcel was not familiar with a Rawin ("he
>>>tried to make a kite"), another good indicator that Rawins were
>>>not available at the RAFFB.

>>If we are going to accept this at face value, then we must also
>>remember that Brazel said that he had found weather devices on
>>two other occasions and this was nothing like those... except
>>the weather balloon and Rawin would have been just like those.

>Brazel told the truth. He was used to finding piebald (painted)

>weather balloons - not unpainted, 'smoky grey' neoprene high >altitude balloons. Standard weather balloon systems did not use >Rawins. They were tracked visually, and sent back data via a >transponder. Finally, they were tagged for a \$5 return. If you >consider what the wreckage of a portion of flight 4 looked like, >especially with a shredded Rawin thrown in, compared to a >brightly painted weather balloon, then we can understand why the >true identity was not obvious to either Brazel or Marcel.

Yet quite obvious to Cavitt who stood around in the hot New Mexico sun with Jess Marcel and never bothered to mention that he thought they have found a balloon. "Jess, it's a balloon. Let's go home..."

And I don't see how the color of the balloon would fool anyone. A balloon is basically a balloon and once you've seen one, you can pretty well identify others.

And, finally, the Air Force published a copy of the tags that appeared on the Mogul balloons. So we have, attached to the balloons and radar targets just the sort of tag that you suggest helped others identify the balloons as such. Oh, yes, Charles Moore said they had tags, but none were put on Flight 4. Interesting...

>Brazel initially dismissed his find as junk. It was only when he >found out about the reward that he decided to turn it in. He >also told Wilcox that his find 'looked meteorological'.

Actually, and contrary to popular belief (for which I have to take some of the blame) this isn't true. There are no indications that there was any mention of rewards for flying saucers in the local press until after Brazel had already gone into town. And even those that were mentioned had deadlines that had been passed before Brazel got there.

Brazel's motivation for going into town was to find someone to pick up the debris which was scattered, according to neighbors and Bill Brazel, over quite an area. Since it was obviously something that came from the sky, he thought the Army was responsible. So, he went into town to get the Army to clean up the mess... which, according to everyone except Bessie Brazel, worked quite well.

>>And we have a farmer in Circleville, Ohio, who found a weather >>balloon and Rawin target, a man who certainly never seen one >>before and who was easily able to identify it for what it was.

>Not hard, when it had a tag identifying the manufacturer as >'Case Mfc.'.

>>The weather balloon and Rawin targets were not so extraordinary >>that they defied identification by those who had not seen those >>specific items.

>And yet, even when there was an identifying tag on the wreckage, >the farmer still turned it in as a 'Flying Disk'! Marcel did the >same, although his 'disk' did not have a manufacturer's tag.

The farmer, Sherman Campbell believed it would be the solution to some of the flying disk sightings if the thing was airborne and spinning. He recognized it as a weather balloon and rawin target (though I doubt he would have used the term rawin, he just recognized is as something that had been manufactured on Earth). And Marcel had the ever silent Cavitt, who knew the truth, standing right there but failing to mention the fact, if we believe Cavitt's last tale.

>>Regardless, it is very obvious that Rawins were not in use at >>Roswell in '47, and it is unlikely in-the-extreme that one >would>be available at the base to use as a 'substitution'.

>Again, Rawins were not in use for standard weather balloon >systems. They were not tracked by radar, but visually. Seeing as >how weather balloons had been in use long before WWII - and >before radar - the technology was well understood by all >meteorologists of the day. The possible use of Rawins during the >Pacific tests is immaterial. The 509th didn't use them- the >meteorological unit did.

Yes, and I'm suggesting that the equipment shipped to Operation

Crossroad included the rawins, and that equipment was carried on aircraft assigned to the base at Roswell... But that isn't really the point. The real point is that the men at Roswell could have gotten their hands on a rawin easily if they had wanted one. It's not as if they were rare and used only in limited circumstances.

Besides, that still doesn't answer the question as to how the winds aloft data were gathered in Roswell. Seems to me that it was gathered using a weather balloon and some sort of reflector so that it could be tracked visually. And if someone was using weather balloons and targets to gather the data in Roswell, could this have been the source for the balloons used by the base... even if it was a civilian weather operation off base?

<snip>

>So- if the material transported to Ft Worth was a Rawin and >Balloon, then there is only _one_ place where these could have >be found in the Roswell area- Foster's ranch.

There were balloons at Alamogordo; Lawton, OK. and half a dozen other places near Roswell for them to have gotten the materials. It would have been no real problem for them to get one even if there were none in Roswell. I asked Newton about this and he said that it would have been real easy to find one. He even mentioned Lawton (think Ft. Sill and artillery here).

>>But that wasn't the only place for them to be found. I believe >>the assumption here is invalid for the reasons mentioned above.

>Well - I try not to assume anything. The available facts >indicate Roswell did not require, use or have available anything >resembling the material pictured on General Ramey's floor. So if >Marcel transported that wreaked balloon and Rawin, then Flight 4 >is the only possible source in the area.

Except, according to ranchers in the area, material such as that found in Flight No. 4 would not be left in the pastures where the cattle would eat it. It would have been picked up before Marcel and Cavitt could have gotten out there.

And, according to Charles Moore and Albert Crary's diary, Flight 4 was canceled when the rocket wasn't fired. According to Moore, they stripped the equipment but then let the balloons go because they couldn't stuff the helium back into the bottles. If true, then the rawins were removed from Flight 4 and there were none to deposit debris on the ranch.

<snip>

>>Shandara got quite a different story from DuBose.

>>Yes, Shandera alone got quite a different story from DuBose.

<snip>

>>According to Shandera, he >>did not record the interview, he just took notes.

>Why should that factor into it? Jamie was most insistent with >his questions- going over the same ground three times. He >wanted a different answer. Yet every time, DuBose came back with >the same answers.

Have him prove it. There is no record, other than Shandera's memory of the interview, which is in conflict with what others, and a video taped record suggests. That's why the lack of a recording figures into it.

>BTW- my own personal take on the answers you got was that DuBose >was referring to the 'simplification' of the explanation given >to the press. Whether he or anyone on Ramey's staff knew >anything about Mogul is open for debate - and I think very >doubtful.

Except that Moore said they had gone to Roswell to gain their assistance in recovering their balloons and they were required by the CAA (forerunner to the FAA) to post NOTAMS about their flights, and according to the Air Force the balloons were tagged so the Mogul people could recovered the balloons... Oh yeah, except for, according to Moore, Flight 4. They didn't put tags on that one flight.

All this suggests that, at the very least, there were officers in Roswell who knew about the Mogul balloons (though not the purpose of the project) and that information would have been communicated up the chain of command as events unfolded in Roswell. And even with Mogul arrays, we're still talking about weather balloons and radar targets made of terrestrial materials.

>However, they decided that it would be best if they >just called it a 'weather balloon', rather then go into details >about Rawins and such. That was the 'cover story' DuBose was >referring to. And DuBose never claimed that there had been a >switch of material.

Except they did go into that as evidenced in the newspaper articles the next day... and of course, the staged launches from White Sands that included the use of the ladder that had been purchased by Charles Moore.

Again, the tapes and interviews conducted by others suggested the material was switched... that the material on General Ramey's floor was a weather balloon, though Shandera and J.B. Johnson think that it is the real stuff.

<snip>

>>Actually, I don't think it does. While Marcel might have told
>>Moore that, I don't believe he said it to Pratt. Moore has
>>offered various versions of his transcripts as evidence, but he
>>seems to change them as the situation changes so I'm not
>>convinced that anything we find in them is accurate.

>Well, Marcel - in person - repeated this initial statement in the >movie 'UFOs are Real'.

Yes he did, and when shown the photographs said that it wasn't the stuff he recovered. So, we are left with a question that seems to have no answer. Marcel specifically said that the photographs in Ramey's office were staged and did not contain the material that he had recovered. So, what photographs did Marcel mean?

<snip>

>We just have to sort through the >half- truths, lies, confabulations and mistatements, which can >be a difficult thing to do.

>Ain't that the truth! <gr>

Absolutely...

KRandle

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 16:15:34 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 04:06:46 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:32:36 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

<Giant, merciful snip>

>So what have we got in the FW pictures?...debris that looks like >a weather balloon and radar target? ...sure....

>But what happens when we look closely at the debris, what do we >find?.

>We find some of that debris that couldn't possibly be from a >weather balloon and target, this additionally confirmed now by >measurements of the debris, measurements that check out as 98% >accurate on test articles of known size within the photographs.

>If it looks like a duck _and_ quacks like a duck, then it most >probably is a duck.

>But conversely,

>The debris in the photographs might look like an ML307 and >balloon _but_ some of it has "bells and whistles" it shouldn't >have, and some of it's measurements don't fit.

<snip>

>Neil

Neil,

What you're looking at in those pictures is the remains of a weather balloon and a rawin target. End of discussion. No matter how much you analyze it, or overanalyze it, as it were.

Consider your duck analogy. What is the likelihood that a terrestrial balloon and rawin target would not only look like the debris of an extraterrestrial space ship, but - happy circumstance! - come within two percent or less of the exact same dimensions?

Can you say near zero?

This is not a likely scenario, to put it mildly.

Although you are of course free to pursue it to the ends of the Earth.

Even if it means submarining any credibility you might have had re the interpretation of the Ramey memo.

Heed Rudiak's warning:

This is a non-starter. You are trying to make a silk purse out of a sow's ear and it won't wash. To paraphrase Monty Python, this particular bloody, blooming parrot is dead, deceased and Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

buried.

Quoth the Raven: "Nevermore!"

Instead of zooming in on the FW pictures, you need to zoom out and see things for what they plainly are: a weather balloon and rawin device.

You've been blinded by pixel dust.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

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>>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
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>>>From: Ed Gehrman <<u>egehrman</u>@psln.com>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:39:08 -0800

>>>Yes, it is our contention that the debris on Ramey's carpet is >>>some of the actual debris brought from Roswell by Marcel and >>>that none of the debris is a RAWIN radar device.

>>>I do not speak alone when I say that you guys are completely out >>>to lunch on this, particularly your statement that _none_ of the >>>debris is from a RAWIN radar target.

>>>I can show you photos of the Rawins from that time period with
>>>the identical white paper backing to the aluminum foil wrapped
>>around the sticks forming a straight white seam, just as you see
>>>in these photos. The sheets of foil paper made up triangles 2' x
>>>2' x 2.8', again evidenced in the photos. The stick lengths and
>>>dimensions are certainly consistent with those used to make the
>>>targets.

>>David,

>>As one of those "out to lunch" who _did_ come out with the >>statement that _none_ of the debris was that of an ML307 can I >>here publicly say I could be wrong.

>OK, acknowledged. I was responding to Ed Gehrman's statment that >"our" contention (meaning RPIT's) was that literally none of the >debris could be accounted for by an ML307. Unfortunately, below >you are back to claiming that most of the debris cannot be >explained as an ML307.

David,

That is my contention but I'd certainly be willing to change my mind if you were to present convincing evidence that I should. So far you haven't. Even some of the debris that looks like it belongs to a ML307 has photographic and measurement flaws that put it in the category of "it might be".

>>Over the last many weeks one of the RPIT members Andrew Lavoie
>>a Canadian Engineering technologist has been using some 3D

>>modelling software at his disposal to model the scene in
>>currently one, of the Fort Worth photographs. With the aid of
>>the software he is now getting size measurements of articles
>>within the image with aprox 2% error. He has a set of material
>>sizes given to him by Prof Charles Moore and taken directly
>>from the intact ML307 he still has.

>I have been doing the same thing the last few days with a 3D ray >tracer and also have measurements down to a few percent.

>First of all, if memory services me, I don't think Moore's >intact ML307 is an original. I think it is a reconstructed model >made by Moore himself. Buyer beware.

>Second, Moore is far from infallible on the specs. E.g. he gave >the weight of the ML307 in his AF interview as being only 100 >grams, or only a little more than 3 ounces. But the manufacturer >in a 1947 article gave the weight as 12 ounces or around 350 >grams. And a simple calculation of weight using reasonable >assumptions about the material areas, thicknesses, volumes, and >densities, also yields net weights in the neighborhood provided >by the manufacturer. It's literally impossible to get the weight >anywhere near 100 grams. The balsa sticks alone weigh more than >that.

>Third, the specs changed over the years. So again, don't get too >hung up on one set of dimensions provided by Moore. The >manufacturer may also have changed suppliers now and then and >stock changed. Or maybe one month, the supplier mistakenly sent >stock a little out of spec, and rather than junk it or send it >back, they just made do with what they had on hand. This wasn't >rocket science. They were a toy manufacturer making balsa kites >for the Army.

>Unfortunately neither the full specs nor tolerances for the
>sticks were specified in the engineering diagram published in
>the AF Roswell report, but some variation would be expected.
>Therefore I don't understand the extreme conclusion jumping that
>"this can't be from a radar target" when the measurements seem
>to be only a little bit off from Moore's memory of what the
>specs were.

>I also don't get too spooked when somebody like Levoie says he >finds a stick that's off by a millimeter or two in thickness >from what Moore specified. That could be a normal variation from >specs or a spec Moore never provided or even a mistake on >Moore's or Levoie's part. I don't immediately conclude that this >must be original Roswell debris and couldn't possibly be from a >standard ML-307 radar target.

So who are we to believe and where are we to go for measurements? Moore said in an interview that the NYU model RAWIN had very specific measurements. My original focus in this thread was to refute Karl's theses that the debris in the photos was from a NYU model RAWIN not just your run-of-the-mill RAWINS. I realize it looks like a RAWIN. But other material can be seen that looks nothing like something you'd expect to find among strictly RAWIN debris.

>>Here's the interesting bit, _some_ of the measurements clustered
>>on _some_ of the debris _do_ fit within a few percent, but it
>>seems many more _do_not_ and this includes many of the struts,

>I'm sorry, but I totally disagree. I would say the vast >majority, not _some_ agree within a few percent in length. Of >course, short pieces don't count, since they could be simply >broken. I cannot find even one overly long piece, and only one >piece which seems unusually thin (along the lower edge of the >brown paper).

You'll need to show this. Why not a map of the debris? Tell us what it is you're looking at and then we can start the discussion.

>>some are out by 125% and more,

>In what? Length, thickness? How many is some? One? A dozen? If >things are too short, so what? Things can be broken into smaller >pieces.

We need a map of what you're seeing. What listers don't

Re: Roswell Threads - Gehrman

understand is that there are about fifty folks who have CD's that show the FW photos. On these CD's Neil makes every effort to show (a map) what it is he is looking at and why he thinks the objects shown are anomalous to a RAWIN target. There are fifteen points in all: "I've assembled a set of fifteen anomalies within the photographs. These can be seen without any computer wizardry, just a close look at the large prints of the photographs: 1) Embossed diagonal panel with characters on the surface of the "radar reflector" foil. 2) Plug/Fastener and associated ribbon cable attached to "radar reflector", a passive, unpowered device. 3) Cables attached to rear of foil/beam on "radar reflector" 4) Hollow "stick" supports, these officially specified as solid and "wooden." 5) "Decorative" pattern designs to metallic sheet debris. 6) Thick $(1/4" \rightarrow 1/2")$ metallic sheet debris. 7) Foil sheet edge tape showing hollow design containing wire former. 8) "Balloon Envelope" having a "tassel" at the end of which is a metallic fastener. 9) Molten metal bead and associated metallic spatter seen on "balloon envelope." 10) Radar Target "support" sticks in a "wide" range of sizes and more telling, in a large number of cross-sectional profiles(They should be uniform square section) 11) "I" section metallic beams, (these formed no part of the Rawin or it's Target). 12) Preformed sheet metal components folded, punched and press formed, (these in metal gauges far heavier than the foil used in a Radar Target)13) "Plastic" like material preformed and molded using complex curves. 14) Tubes and Cable structures associated with the "Balloon Envelope" debris. 15) Unidentified complex debris showing signs of technology to the rear of the foil sheet held by Jesse Marcel. For copies of the four original negatives, write to: University of Texas, Special Collections Division, The University of Texas at Arlington Libraries, Box 19497, ArlingtonTexas, 76019-0497 >>also much of the edge tape seen >>in the pictures does not meet the size specs Prof Moore >>supplied. >This is a serious mistake. There is no "edge tape. The white >line along the edge of the foil triangles is not "tape." It is >the white paper backing to the foil wrapped around half of the >exterior diagonal struts forming "sheaths" for the sticks with >the white paper side out. This is clearly indicated in the >engineering diagram.

This isn't the way the sticks were held together. They were glued on the paper and the tape was used as a reinforcer. I think the folds described above were for the twine.

>Where any the tape comes in here is specified in a blueprint >detail stating that the foil/foil seam where the wrapped-around >foil paper comes back on itself was not to be glued but held >together with clear acetate tape, an "exotic" material commonly >called in this country by its trade name of Scotch tape. >However, I and others have looked in vain for this tape, and >everybody has come up with a big zero, not surprising, since it >is clear. >The fact that this gross mistake is being made is a big red flag >that there is still an incomplete understanding on your side as >to how these targets were put together. Then apparently based on >this misunderstanding, some of you then jump to the conclusion >that something is way out of spec and further conclude that this >can't be a Rawin target. It must be "real," "anomalous" Roswell >debris.

Why don't you open you're AA DC set and see if we are confused. Take a close gander at Mogul 14 and damned if it just isn't the other way around. The foil is exposed, not the white backing. Then look at mogul #16. So much for engineering specs.

>Now Karl Pflock concluded otherwise but was equally mistaken. >His claim was that the white strip was clearly the Mogul white >tape with "flower patterns." Problem is, again, this isn't white >tape and he likewise doesn't know what he is talking about. And >there sure as hell aren't any flower patterns to be seen, on the >white strips nor anywhere else. The only difference here is that >he twists the exact same misunderstanding of construction into >supposed "supporting evidence" that this must be a radar >reflector from Mogul.

Yes and he's 100% wrong

>>So can I now downgrade my statement to " only some of the debris >>_may_ be from an ML307".

>I have yet to see a single thing, not one, that couldn't be part >of an ML-307. The fact that you state "only some" and further >qualify and emphasize "_may_ be" from an ML-307, indicates to me >that you are still well within Ed Gehrman's more extreme >position that "none" is from an ML-307.

>And it seems to be based primarily on serious misunderstandings >on your part as to the construction of the radar targets.

There is no misunderstanding on how a RAWIN was constructed. But again, what of Moore's recollection of how the ML307's were put together. Are you totally discounting his testmony?

>I find myself growing increasingly irritated as I watch this
>whole debacle, originally started by James Bond Johnson about 3
>years ago, unfold. He started out on some personal quest to
>prove that he had photographed the "real" Roswell debris. Also,
>for something to do with the feelings of Mrs. Ramey, he wanted
>to exonerate Ramey of accusations that he had lied about what
>happened and substituted a weather balloon for the real debris.
>See, it was the real debris all along.

>Then he started spinning the story. It seemed to change >practically every week. Unfortunately, he sucked in a lot of >well-meaning people and got them to buy into the snake oil he >was trying to peddle.

What a silly theory.

>Now at first I thought sifting through the debris might be a >worthwhile venture. This was clearly an aluminum foil and balsa >radar target, but maybe something truly unusual got left behind >in the confusion. I was glad that somebody like Neil was willing >to take the time. Maybe something of real significance would >emerge.

>But then the investigation went off half-cocked. Instead of one >or two things that might be anomalous, _everything_ became >anomalous.

There are problems with just about everything when you begin taking a close look. That's not our problem, but the nature of the debris.

>So here we are in what I and most others consider to be a >complete waste of time, a needless diversion from far more >important issues.

And do you really think we care what others think until they take a close look at our arguments? They have little if any information to go on so what they think isn't important until they begin to participate in a meaningful way and stick their neck out. >The hardcore debunkers are chortling over the >infighting amongst the "saucer buffs" over the patently obvious. >The credibility of everybody ends up suffering as a result.

A sure sign of a weak argument. As for the rest of your analysis, all I can say is that it was a waste of time. You can argue all you want about this but until you draw a map of the debris and account for all of it being a RAWIN and answer Neil's fifteen points, all we really have is hot air. But most of all I'd like you to explain the jig-saw puzzle looking piece in the center of the Bettemann photo.

Ed

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Something In The Air

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22,00.html

Something In The Air Frances Whiting

20Jan02

It has been more than 70 years since the devil man came looking for Jack Muriata.

Then, he was a little boy playing with his friends on the sandy banks of the Tully River. Today he is a much respected Girrigun elder but Muriata, 79, says time has not erased the terror of that moonless night all those years ago.

"Our mothers and grandmothers used to tell us not to go too far from camp in case the Devil Man came calling," Muriata said.

"Devil men, we Aborginals call them, or chic ah bunnahs.

"White people call them UFOs, and if you get caught by one, our grandmothers told us, you will die.

"One night I was with my friends and we wandered too far from our camp to the river.

"We were playing in the dunes when this great big ball of light, so bright, you have never seen such a light, came flying down from the sky above us.

"It lit up the whole river, and then it zoomed down low along the banks, like it was looking for us.

"My friends were yelling, 'Run! Run!' and we all took off as fast as we could back towards camp and our mothers.

"You don't want to get caught by the devil man."

Devil men, "chic a bunnahs", unidentified flying objects, call them what you will, believe in them or not - but whatever they are, and whatever name they go by, they do seem to be particularly attracted to the small, picturesque north Queensland town of Tully.

About 180km south of Cairns with a population of about 3400, Tully would be like any other pretty sugar cane town in the far north, but for several factors.

First of all, there's the famous Tully Gorge, where white-water rafting enthusiasts from around the world gather to shoot down its rapids.

Then there is Tully's extraordinary weather - with an average annual rainfall of 4252mm, it is officially Australia's wettest town and has decided to build a giant gumboot to celebrate the fact.

But if you believe the locals, Tully's most interesting claim to

fame is that it is Australia's UFO headquarters, with hundreds of sightings every year.

Muriata says the Aborigines have known about Tully's strange visitors "since the beginning", and other, older locals such as 82-year-old cane farmer Albert Pennisi agree.

"Everyone who lives in Tully knows about the UFOs here," Pennisi says. "It's just that some folks choose to talk about it and some folks don't."

Pennisi is one who does - and no wonder. It was on his 83ha farm that Tully's most famous UFO sighting took place.

On the morning of January 19, 1966, Pennisi's neighbour George Pedley was driving his tractor across his banana farm when he heard a strange hissing sound.

At first Pedley - who no longer speaks publicly about his experience - thought the hissing was from his tractor tyres, but Pennisi says the sound was instead coming from a medium sized, horseshoe-shaped lagoon on Pennisi's property.

"Suddenly George saw this machine rise up from our lagoon - it rose about 30 to 40 feet (10-12m) - and then it turned on its side and just shot away." Pennisi said.

"It was gone, vanished into thin air."

But Pennisi and others who have visited the site believe it left behind a souvenir of its visit.

"George went to the lagoon straight away and he saw the water still swirling, still churning around.

"I think it really shook him up, and he came to get me but I was away. Later on when I got back we went to the lagoon together and, by crikey, did I get a shock."

Floating on Pennisi's normally unremarkable lagoon was a UFO "nest", a 9m circular mass of reeds, tightly woven in an intricate design swirling clockwise and so strong, Pennisi says, it could easily support the weight of 10 men.

Pedley's sighting of the blue-grey saucer was never repeated, but whatever made that first "nest" on Pennisi's dam kept making it.

"They came back in 1972, 1975, 1980, 1982 and 1987," Pennisi said.

"There was always the big one, but we also got about 22 smaller ones and, the strange thing is, while the big one always went clockwise, (the others) were always anti-clockwise."

Determined to explain the phenomena, Pennisi took to watching the lagoon at all hours of the night.

"I wasn't scared. I didn't take any weapons with me except my cane knife but I never did find out why they came to my farm - or why they suddenly stopped coming, but I've got a fair idea why."

Pennisi believes interest in his lagoon (carloads of people came at the height of its fame) plus the attention of the police and the air force may have made whatever - or whoever - was visiting his farm, shy off.

"We had people from all over the world arriving: UFO researchers, police, the air force investigators were watching us 24 hours a day. It was all a bit much for a cane farmer."

After an extensive investigation by the police and the RAAF, a 1966 report by the Commonwealth Aerial Phenomena Investigation Organisation (CAPIO), concluded:

"There is no explanation for the visible phenomena reported but it could have been associated with or the result of 'down draughts', 'willy willies' or 'water spouts' that are known to occur in the (north Queensland) area." Pennisi, a down-to-earth farmer not usually given to flights of fancy, laughs at the explanation.

"They also tried to tell me it was a low-flying helicopter, a mini tornado, even a crocodile. But anyone who saw it will tell you whatever made it was not of this world, my friend.

"Before this thing happened to me, I might have been a bit sceptical, too, but things change when you see things with your own eyes."

And for many Tully locals, seeing it with their own eyes is all that it takes to turn them from sceptics into believers.

Semi-retired handyman Les Holland, 60, reckons Tully is "crawling with UFOs".

"I think I would have had trouble believing it if I hadn't seen them myself," Les says. "There's a hell of a lot of activity here.

"If you look up in the night sky in Tully, you'll see them soon enough. Lots of very bright lights, moving quickly through the sky. They're par for the course, but occasionally you see something really mind-blowing.

"A few years ago I saw this massive one hovering above us - you could see its lights: red, yellow, green. It was completely silent, just hovering there then, in a flash, it was gone."

Holland's son Morgan, 17, has also had his fair share of sightings. A keen fisherman, his late-night trips have yielded much more than the tasty jungle perch he is angling for.

"Morgan was out one night about 18 months ago looking out over Tully Heads when he very clearly saw a machine in the sky which looked like a pyramid with the top part cut off it.

"He could see bands across it . . . he could see the whole thing quite clearly. It didn't make any noise - most of them don't, they're just silently hovering.

"It didn't bother Morgan and he didn't bother it. That's the thing about Morgan, all he wants to do is fish - crocs, sharks, UFOs nothing gets in the way of his fishing."

But one young Tully mother's experiences with what she believes were UFOs were not so casual.

"I was living on a property just outside of town right on top of this hill," says the woman, who asked not to be identified.

[UFO UpDates thanks <u>www.anomalist.com</u> for the lead]

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>No doubt my post will be recieved as a personal attack. However, >if rank amateurs like you and me can see the obvious faults and >pick Mortellaro's 'folly' apart so easily, imagine what trained >scientists and skeptics will do with it!

I really do not feel that you or I are rank amateurs in this situation. I for one carry my scars, multiple ones thank you; physical as well as mental ones. Memories are horrifying and dreams can be worse. The only thing we seem to actually lack that does make us rank amateurs is the ability to investigate this properly and the only ones that seem to want to help, don't seem to have the know-how. Back to square one!

Jean

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>>Subject: Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules

Instead of the 'general ranting'...I just think everyone just needs to know that it is being done properly. Just because a doctor is a surgeon doesn't necessarily mean he is a good one. Then, again, there are good ones and there are excellent ones.

Personally, I would shop for an excellent one. I think that this covers the full scope of the problem. Too many times things have started and then exploded. Usually the explosion is on the innocent ones who suffer the most.

Personal observation gentlemen. Personal observation.

Jean M

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>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

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>If you are going to make public declarations such as the one I
>quoted from you above, you really need to do your homework and
>preface such sweeping statements with some facts and citations
>of substantiating studies/information. You need to include who,
>what, and where or it's just more self-serving and meaningless
>blather. It doesn't help the cause to secure a serious
>investigation for _all_ of us.

>You see, one of the things that myself and many others have been >working and fighting long and hard for is; a serious >investigation by the mainstream scientific and academic >community. Which will hopefully include _security/police_ >experts as well. After all, what is being reported by so many >people from all parts of the globe is nothing short of willful >abduction/kidnap. A commonly acknowledged 'crime' in all >countries of the world.

<snip>

John, Jim and all

Jim being so evidently full of it, I figured I should, like all lazy kid, help him along the way with his homework...

I started on your own site, John, with, who else, Stuart Appelle... And you were gawddam right all the way.

Man, what kind of a freaking world do we live in to see people supposedly helping other people but with no relevant background, just goofy letters around their names, like: PhD, Dr, M.D.

You guys have no idea of the utter bull those weirdos can spit out.

Here, take a look!!!

Follow the links!!!

http://www.spacelab.net/~jvif/appelle3.htm

The Abduction Experience: A Critical Evaluation Of Theory And Evidence

Stuart Appelle

Re: Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome Rules -

Part 3 - Psychopathology

Even when formal tests are used, their interpretation is compromised by the fact that they may fail to distinguish between dissociative tendencies and dissociative effects. For example, Powers (I 994a) assessed a group of abduction experiencers on the Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) subscale of the MMPI, and on the Perceptual Alteration Scale (PAS). PTSD is correlated with dissociative tendencies. The PAS, another measure of dissociation, evaluates behavior in the domains of control, self-monitoring, concealment, consciousness, and sensory experience. Powers found a clear correlation between abduction experiences and elevated PTSD and PAS scores.

Although Powers was primarily concerned with the implications of these results for therapy, it is clear from her discussion that dissociative phenomenology was considered only as a possible cause of the abduction experience and not as a possible effect. But anyone experiencing an actual abduction by aliens might be expected to have elevated scores on the measures assessed. Indeed, in mundane cases of documented trauma (victims of rape, terrorism, witnessing an atrocity) elevated scores on the kind of measures used by Powers are both expected and obtained (Wilson, 1990).

John Mack's Site

http://www.etcontact.net/Abduction.htm

Clinical Discrepancies Between Expected and Observed Data in Patients Reporting UFO Abductions- Implications for Treatment

by Rima E. Laibow, M.D., Child and Adult Psychiatry

Although it has long been the "common wisdom" of both the professional and lay communities that anyone claiming to be the victim of abduction by UFO occupants must be seriously disturbed, thoroughly deluded or a liar, careful examination of both the reports and their reports calls this assumption into question. Clinical and psychometric investigation of abductees reveals four areas of discrepancy between the expected data and the observable phenomena and suggests further investigation. These discrepant areas are: 1) Absence of psychopathology, 2) Concordance of reports, 3) Resistance to suggestion under hypnosis, and 4) Post Traumatic Stress Disorders (PTSD) in the absence of trauma.

http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Shadowlands/6583/abduct050.html

UFO Abductions Through The Ages by Dr. Gregory L. Little 1994

In addition, Raynes conducted a survey of his UFO percipients' medical and psychological histories. Most of his medical findings were within normal expectations of a sample of adults randomly drawn from the population. However, the psychological findings appear to strongly suggest a Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) cluster of findings.

http://www.alienjigsaw.com/Part_I/keithenigma.html

The Truth About Abduction Enigma

By Keith Rowell with comments from Janet Colli, Ph.D. and Deborah Lindemann, CHT (Copyright 2000)

A paper on PTSD and a criticism of Randle and Estes' work.

BTW, I don't like you very much Jim Mortellaro.

That's why you're wrong.

I can't help it.

Regards,

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Mars Odyssey Spacecraft to Examine Face by Mac Tonnies

for links and images: http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html

NASA project scientist Steve Saunders has released a list of targets for the Mars Odyssey spacecraft, which includes the controversial Face. According to Saunders, "We've got a number of other high-priority targets that are of great interest to people in general." Although not equipped with a high-resolution camera, the Odyssey carries a Gamma Ray Spectrometer (GRS) designed to reveal the chemical composition of the Martian surface.

[image]

The Mars Odyssey orbiter.

The GRS's prospects for examining the Face are interesting to consider. The Face, if artificial, may be a sculpture utilizing indigenous Martian rock, in which case its chemical signature will not differ from that of the Cydonia desert. But if the Face's composition is more exotic, perhaps the Odyssey will uncover evidence pointing toward an artificial origin. One possibility is that portions of the wind-scoured western half of the Face will reveal the presence of a metallic substructure. The unusually well-defined "cells" surrounding the Face's western "eye," for example, may indicate a "recently" exposed structural matrix discernable to the Odyssey's GRS.

Richard Hoagland and Mike Bara have already argued that the collapse evident on the Face's lower-east portion may have been caused by a metal support structure literally rusting away. This implyies that at least a portion of the Face formation might be hollow (a trait in keeping with the Arcology Hypothesis). Similarly, Lan Fleming has noted a dark crevasse along the Face's eastern perimeter that may be an opening into the Face's interior.

Instruments such as the Gamma Ray Spectrometer may help in identifying materials consistent with artificiality until human explorers can inspect the Cydonia site firsthand. In the online journal New Frontiers in Science, Dr. Mark Carlotto notes that "it is unlikely that optical imagery will provide much more useful data on the Face" and recommends using radar as a means of exploring the Face's eastern side, which appears partially submerged in sand.

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Tully Australia UFO History

From: Bill Chalker <<u>bill c@bigpond.com></u> Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 20:27:58 +1100 Fwd Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 09:57:08 -0500 Subject: Tully Australia UFO History

Hi List,

My friend Paul Cropper alerted me to the following.

The Brisbane, Queensland, Australia Sunday Mail of January 20, 2002, ran a good article on Tully's long UFO history in "Something in the Air" by Frances Whiting. It features Albert Pennisi the owner of Horseshoe Lagoon, the site of the famous 1966 daylight close encounter experience of George Pedley.

The article also records the experience of Girrigun aboriginal elder Jack Muriata (79), in the area as a kid more than 70 years ago (ie. 1932 or earlier) with what aborigines called "chic ah bunnahs" or "devil men", in this case a "great big ball of light" that seemed like it was looking for the kids, who had been playing in the dunes, on the sandy banks of the Tully River.

A web version exists at the Sunday Mail web site:

http://www.thesundaymail.news.com.au/

Go to the Sunday Extra section.

Frances Whiting mentions George Pedley "no longer speaks publicly about his experience" and this is generally the case. I have had contact with George intermittently over the decades and most recently interviewed him for a retrospective piece Reader's Digest Australia ask me to do in their July, 2001 issue "A Second Look at UFOs".

IUR (International UFO Reporter from the Center for UFO Studies) published a detailed report on Tully I prepared, part of which appears at:

http://www.project1947.com/forum/bctully.htm http://www.internetezy.com.au/~mj129/ufoic investigation history.html

I have a strong interest in historical pre 1947 UFO reports:

http://www.internetezy.com.au/~mj129/early aus historical encounters.html http://www.project1947.com/bcausenc.htm

and the aboriginal experience with UFOs:

http://www.internetezy.com.au/~mj129/history_australian_ufo_history.html http://www.project1947.com/forum/bcabor.htm

I have duplicated each link as the internetezy site is a temporary haven for my 'The OZ Files' web site which is under development. I expect it will be very shortly moving to its own OZ files domain web site name.

The Tully area has had a very interesting UFO connection and the 1966 George Pedley experience is a powerful example of a close encounter of the second kind.

Regards,

Bill Chalker

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Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Haggard

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Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 05:20:59 -0700
Fwd Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 10:01:30 -0500
Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life' - Haggard

>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 12:16:49 -0800 (PST)
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>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Review: 'Abduction In My Life'
>>Date: Sun, 20 Jan 2002 14:06:46 -0700

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>>P K D wrote the book Valis that suggested aliens sent him >>information through a beam of light. There has been much >>UFO/Conspiracy theory about the book being auto-biographical.

>Having read his collected writings, I don't see any >"conspiracy". 'Valis' was an admittedly autobiographical novel >and even contained bits of Dick's nonfiction 'Exegesis'.

I don't mean that PKD had a conspiracy theory or that one is obvious in his works; rather that several others have written conspiracy theories about him and Valis. I have read a few in the ditto-machine newsletters that were around before the internet (when Fact Sheet Five was the center of all underground knowledge). I remember one that was advertised as a "review" of Valis but turned into a long rant about how PKD was teaching channeled information through his book and that it was dis/mis-information from the grays.

>>There is also W.A. Harrison

>Harbinson, actually...

Indeed, you are correct, thank you.

>>with the books Genesis, Inception, and Revelation dealing >>with the possibility that UFOs are from a possible alien >>changeling who worked for the Nazis (but for his own ends).

>The mastermind/bad guy in Harbinson's UFO novels wasn't an >alien; he was a genius earthling who'd managed to postpone >death through cybernetics. Harbinson's scenario is that the >entirety of the modern UFO phenomenon can be explained by the >experiments of an eccentric and amoral genius.

>I've got the gist of this theory catalogued at:

>http://mactonnies.com/whosthere.html

Thanks, Mac, I will check it out. It has been years since I read them, but I thought there was a hint that the man "could" have been alien and not even known it... But now that you mention it, it seems that the author did want us to come away with a totally terrestrial view of the UFOs.

Blessed be,

The Haggard

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

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>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 16:15:34 -0600
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
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>>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

<snip>

>>The debris in the photographs might look like an ML307 and >>balloon _but_ some of it has "bells and whistles" it shouldn't >>have, and some of it's measurements don't fit.

<snip>

>What you're looking at in those pictures is the remains of a >weather balloon and a rawin target. End of discussion. No matter >how much you analyze it, or overanalyze it, as it were.

<snip>

Dennis,

If you start with a preconceived idea, i.e. it's a weather balloon just as we have been told for the last 50+ years, you will indeed see lots of foil and sticks just as you would expect to see, so confirming your belief.

Unfortunately it's quite possible in the haste to confirm your belief you will quite likely miss or worse still, dismiss, all the stuff in the pictures that _shouldn't_ be there.

It's the stuff that _shouldn't_ be there I'm curious about.

Check the Feb MUFON Journal, I've supplied a couple of clear images of just two of the more obvious anomalies. It's very easy to trot out the mantra "it's nothing but balloon debris", what I'd like to see is some serious thought given to explain these items which are not accounted for by simple balloon and radar target debris.

Neil

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Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

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Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 04:35:45 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Randle

>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:32:36 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk></u>
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
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>>Date: Mon, 14 Jan 2002 11:50:00 +0000
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net
>>>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

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>>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 14:25:33 EST
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

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>Neil Morris wrote:

>>In the final analysis, what Bond Johnson did or did not say to
>>Kevin in the phone interviews (and yes I do have a copy of
>>Kevin's tapes) has to be settled between the two parties
>>involved

>Although I have tried to be polite, there are some things that >just annoy the hell out of me and this is one of them. Please >remember that I hadn't named any of the members of RPIT to whom >I had sent tapes. Neil volunteered this information himself and >then suggested that we, meaning Dr. Johnson and I, should >attempt to settle this matter. Oh, I have tried, for more than >ten years, ever since Dr. Johnson decided that he had seen the >real debris and that General Ramey didn't know what he had when >Dr. Johnson arrived at the office.

>For those of you tired of this debate, please punch out now. For >the rest of you, I pose a single question to Neil. Having heard >my tapes, having seen the correspondence between Dr. Johnson and >me, just where have I misrepresented anything in this long and >rather tiresome debate?

>Kevin,

>Why are you having a pop at me over this?, I'm merely a >bystander not a combatant.

Neil, List, All -

Because you mentioned the tapes and because I heard nary a comment from you about the tapes and other materials once you had gotten them and had a chance to listen to them. And because others in the RPIT have gotten copies of the material and said nothing about them. Because it is clear that the original inspiration for the examination of the photographs was Dr. Johnson's tired claim that he photographed "real" debris. >And as far as I'm aware I've not mentioned "misrepresentation".

Didn't say that you had. Merely asked if after perusing the materials you had found any evidence that I had misrepresented the situation at all.

<snip>

>>During that conversation, he told me that Ramey had told him it
>>was a weather balloon and that he had taken just two
>>photographs. (Here is a point in which Neil wins something...
>>Dr. Johnson remembered just two photographs, but conceded that
>>the Marcel photograph looked as if he, Dr. Johnson, had taken
>>it. I think we all agree that Dr. Johnson took six photographs
>>and I don't hold it against him that his memory failed on this
>>point.)

>Didn't you have had red flags popping up here, surely this is a >big indicator as to the safety of the rest of Bond's testimony?.

The fact that he got a minor detail wrong after more than 40 years? Why should this mistake bother me? It smacked of being a simple mistake and nothing more.

>As I've said in the past (a number of times) I think Bond's >story (and I hope he might agree with this) is nothing more than >a collection of vague impressions, I personally would not like >to tag any recalled conversations from them as being accurate as >you seem to have done.

I think you've missed the point. I have suggested that the story changed significantly. I have suggested that even when he heard himself say the things that he denies he said, he has to blame me for the changes. I don't believe I have suggested that one version is better than the other, only that the changes are significant and suggest that neither version is reliable.

<snip>

>Kevin.

>Can I say here, and I hope this goes for all the RPIT team.

>THE RPIT's conclusions are _not_ based on Bond Johnson's >testimony but on the analysis of the pictures he took together >with other archive material from the time.

Understood and always has been.

>In fact what Bond did or did not say is totally irrelevant as >far as the work with the FW pictures is concerned, and the >identity of the person who took them in no way reflects on what >they recorded.

Ah, but it is not irrelevant if, as he originally suggested, General Ramey told him it was a weather balloon. Then, we have an identification and when we look at the pictures, we see that identification.

And, rather than rely on the 40 year old memories, we go to the documented sources, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram, and we see, in the last paragraph of the story that Dr. Johnson wrote (oops, forgot he now denies he wrote it), "After his first look, Ramey declared all it was was a weather balloon. The weather officer verified his view."

>I would hope we are both agreed that what we see in the them is >a true record of events at some point during that afternoon?, >and as such is far more accurate than any 40-50 year old >memories.

Yes, I see a weather balloon and radar target. I see no alien debris or anything extraterrestrial.

>>My point here is that Neil has the tapes, has the letters and >>has other supporting documentation. Rather than deal with it, he >>ignores it, suggesting that Dr. Johnson and I work out the >>differences. I have tried and hoped that those on the RPIT who >>should have more influence with Dr. Johnson could get some of >>the answers. The question that remains is why have they been so >>quiet on this point? Why won't they admit the truth?

>???Why am _I_ expected to deal with _your_ differences with a
>3rd party???

Nope, you are expected to deal with the facts of the case, including the identification of the material, by Ramey, in his office to Dr. Johnson. And Dr. Johnson's claims, early on, that all he saw was a weather balloon.

>I really don't see where you're coming from here.

>As I've tried to outline, Bond's testimony is _not_ what the >RPIT's research is about, and frankly at the end of the day is >that testimony crucial to the scheme of things?. IMHO no, I for >one am happy to put it to one side until some, all or none is >corroborated, at the moment some of it has.

And which version has been corroborated? The first? The second? That he unwrapped packages in Ramey's office? That no one knew it was a weather balloon until sometime late in the evening? That he was told it was a weather balloon? Just which version of events is being corroborated by this unidentified source?

<Whopping huge snip>

>The Reuters report reads:

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>Before Brigadier General Rameys broadcast Major Edwin Kirtan, >duty officer at Eighth Air Force headquarters at Fort Worth, >quoted him as saying "it looks like a hexagonal object covered >with tinfoil or other shining material suspended from a balloon >of about twenty feet in diameter. It is possibly a weather >balloon flown at the highest altitude but none of the army men >at this base recognize it as an army type balloon."

Which is in conflict with what Dr. Johnson wrote in the Star-Telegram... oops, forgot he now denies he wrote that story. Oh, well, the point is still valid. Ramey knew what it was when he saw it, according to that story. So, which quote is accurate?

Or is it the key "Army" type balloon... A rawin target and weather balloon would not really be an Army balloon.

<snip>

>In conclusion, we therefore appear to have a period sometime >after 3.26pm when FWAAF seems have been giving out a straight >story and openly cooperating with press inquires, and without >any hint of a security matter in sight. Could we speculate on >this early, apparently open cooperation with the press being >extended to an acting Star Telegram photographer taking some >pictures?, Ramey did not seem to have any problem about Reuters >being told they didn't know what the heck the debris was, and >having gone that far verbally, was there reason then to stop a >photographer taking it's picture too?.

Except that the photographer was told at the time it was a weather balloon, a simple fact reported in the story in the Star-Telegram. Which quote is probably more accurate? The one received by the reporters who were actually in Fort Worth (and in General Ramey's office, according to the first version) or those made by a news service reporter who, at best, talked to Major Kirton rather than General Ramey?

Here's where we are. DuBose said, on tape, that the material in General Ramey's office was a weather balloon, period. Marcel, when shown the pictures taken by Dr. Johnson, said that it was not the material he found in New Mexico (as reported by Johnny Mann who interviewed Marcel in 1980). Irving Newton said that the material was a weather balloon. J. Bond Johnson, who was obviously in Ramey's office, said, originally, that he was told the material was a weather balloon. Seems to me that those who were there have identified the material.

Now we get to the actual photographs. They show the blacked balloon envelop. They show wrinkled material that looks to be fairly flexible. They show material that looks suspiciously like the tattered remains of a rawin target.

In the end, based on the reliable testimony, the photographs,

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and everything else that we can see, we have a weather balloon and no alien debris.

KRandle

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

From: Neil Morris <neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk> Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 17:34:01 +0000 Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 04:39:55 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
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>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>Date: Sun, 13 Jan 2002 11:39:08 -0800

>>David,

>>As one of those "out to lunch" who _did_ come out with the
>>statement that _none_ of the debris was that of an ML307 can I
>>here publicly say I could be wrong.

>OK, acknowledged. I was responding to Ed Gehrman's statment that >"our" contention (meaning RPIT's) was that literally none of the >debris could be accounted for by an ML307. Unfortunately, below >you are back to claiming that most of the debris cannot be >explained as an ML307.

David,

Ok, for the record. I now accept some of the debris _may_ be ML307 in origin, but I also still believe some of the debris most probably wasn't, to what extent?, when Andrew has completed a detailed survey we may be in a position to hazard a guess.

>>Over the last many weeks one of the RPIT members Andrew Lavoie >a>Canadian Engineering technologist has been using some 3D >>modelling software at his disposal to model the scene in >>currently one, of the Fort Worth photographs. With the aid of >>the software he is now getting size measurements of articles >>within the image with aprox 2% error. He has a set of material >>sizes given to him by Prof Charles Moore and taken directly >from>the intact ML307 he still has.

>I have been doing the same thing the last few days with a 3D ray >tracer and also have measurements down to a few percent.

>First of all, if memory services me, I don't think Moore's
>intact ML307 is an original. I think it is a reconstructed model
>made by Moore himself. Buyer beware.

I understood the sample he had was that of a late series C (1950's) target where they had beefed up the backing paper and a few other modifications. Photographs from the 47/48 NYU launches seem to show the paper/foil as being a lot more flimsy that the

heavy/stiffer backing on Moore's current sample.

>Second, Moore is far from infallible on the specs. E.g. he gave >the weight of the ML307 in his AF interview as being only 100 >grams, or only a little more than 3 ounces. But the manufacturer >in a 1947 article gave the weight as 12 ounces or around 350 >grams. And a simple calculation of weight using reasonable >assumptions about the material areas, thicknesses, volumes, and >densities, also yields net weights in the neighborhood provided >by the manufacturer. It's literally impossible to get the weight >anywhere near 100 grams. The balsa sticks alone weigh more than >that.

As I understand from Andrew, the strut dimensions Moore gave _do_ match very closely _some_ of the sizes Andrew has measured ie only 1% error, these measurements were clustered on the upright foil sails resting against DuBose's knee, away from this debris ie checking some laid out on the paper sheets, is where the large errors start to show.

>Third, the specs changed over the years. So again, don't get too
>hung up on one set of dimensions provided by Moore. The
>manufacturer may also have changed suppliers now and then and
>stock changed. Or maybe one month, the supplier mistakenly sent
>stock a little out of spec, and rather than junk it or send it
>back, they just made do with what they had on hand. This wasn't
>rocket science. They were a toy manufacturer making balsa kites
>for the Army.

Point taken, but wouldn't the specs given to the manufacturers be based on the original Signal Corp engineering specs and apart from a few minor revisions they didn't seem to change that much from 1944 when first designed through to the mid 1950's, and they seem to call for a +-2% tolerance.

Also if this was a _single_ ML307 as you are saying, I would have thought there _would_ be consistency within the components used in a single example. If the targets were produced on anything like a production line, enough quantities of each component required for assembly would or should have been on hand to complete all the units for the order.

>Unfortunately neither the full specs nor tolerances for the >sticks were specified in the engineering diagram published in >the AF Roswell report, but some variation would be expected. >Therefore I don't understand the extreme conclusion jumping that >"this can't be from a radar target" when the measurements seem >to be only a little bit off from Moore's memory of what the >specs were.

>I also don't get too spooked when somebody like Levoie says he >finds a stick that's off by a millimeter or two in thickness >from what Moore specified. That could be a normal variation from >specs or a spec Moore never provided or even a mistake on >Moore's or Levoie's part. I don't immediately conclude that this >must be original Roswell debris and couldn't possibly be from a >standard ML-307 radar target.

Nope I wasn't spooked by that, it's the fact that some, clustered together on particular pieces of debris _do_ match very closely Moore's specs, yet others associated with other debris are way off. The impression being the measurement correlation is not a random distribution.

>>Here's the interesting bit, _some_ of the measurements clustered
>>on _some_ of the debris _do_ fit within a few percent, but it
>>seems many more _do_not_ and this includes many of the struts,

>I'm sorry, but I totally disagree. I would say the vast >majority, not _some_ agree within a few percent in length. Of >course, short pieces don't count, since they could be simply >broken. I cannot find even one overly long piece, and only one >piece which seems unusually thin (along the lower edge of the >brown paper).

>>some are out by 125% and more,

>In what? Length, thickness? How many is some? One? A dozen? If >things are too short, so what? Things can be broken into smaller >pieces.

Cross-sectional profile, ie from memory one checked was out by an excess of 130% another by 127%.

<snip>

I take your point about the construction methods but an anomaly does exist in one of the Marcel pictures where what appears to be a buckle assembly can be made out on the surface of this "white edging", this isn't the sort of thing you would think would be very practical on foil/paper and isn't part of the ML307 spec.

>>So can I now downgrade my statement to " only some of the debris >>_may_ be from an ML307".

>I have yet to see a single thing, not one, that couldn't be part >of an ML-307. The fact that you state "only some" and further >qualify and emphasize "_may_ be" from an ML-307, indicates to me >that you are still well within Ed Gehrman's more extreme >position that "none" is from an ML-307.

>And it seems to be based primarily on serious misunderstandings >on your part as to the construction of the radar targets.

David, I have seriously shifted my stance here by accepting some of the debris may be from an ML307, but let's not fall out over trying to quantifying how much, I'm still looking forward to further results from Andrew as he continues his measurements so we can isolate what may and may not be ML307 debris.

<snip>

>Now at first I thought sifting through the debris might be a
>worthwhile venture. This was clearly an aluminum foil and balsa
>radar target, but maybe something truly unusual got left behind
>in the confusion. I was glad that somebody like Neil was willing
>to take the time. Maybe something of real significance would
>emerge.

>But then the investigation went off half-cocked. Instead of one >or two things that might be anomalous, _everything_ became >anomalous.

>So here we are in what I and most others consider to be a
>complete waste of time, a needless diversion from far more
>important issues. The hardcore debunkers are chortling over the
>infighting amongst the "saucer buffs" over the patently obvious.
>The credibility of everybody ends up suffering as a result.

>It's a classic example of looking at the leaves and failing to >see either the forest or the trees.

No not everything is anomalous, in a reply to a skeptical posting some time ago I rattled off from the top of my head 15 anomalies I could easily point to in the pictures, all of them didn't make sense if the debris was accepted as that of an ML307 target and a neoprene balloon, (Ed Gehrman has listed these points in a recent post to this thread), I'm still waiting for these points to be explained away in respect of the debris.

<snip>

>The large triangular piece with stick attached held in Newton's
>left hand where he is posing to the left of the debris was
>previously over more to the right and further back in the Marcel
>and Ramey, Ramey/Dubose photos. Newton has laid the edge of the
>stick/triangular piece down right where this "twisted piece" was
>in the other photos. In other words, it may simply be a case of
>it being hidden from view by this large piece previously not in
>that position.

>But instead you again jump to an unwarranted conclusion that >because the piece can no longer be seen in the one and only one >Newton photo, this necessarily means that it has been >deliberately removed and the scene "sanitized" for Newton's >appearance. I can't emphasize enough how incredibly faulty this >logic is.

Sanitised, removed or just missing, it and a few other pieces of debris that I would class as anomalous are no longer in shot. It's a valid observation whether it was intentional on the AAF's

part or not.

>>That
>>piece of debris has a number of anomalies that single it out as
>>none ML307 debris, it's thickness is far greater than any foil
>>used in a radar target so much so that it shows clearly on one
>>end a very neat right angled folded lip, it also has clearly
>>defined raised /stamped markings.

<snip>

Re the twisted/folded strip:

Dave I think you are looking at the wrong debris in the wrong picture.

The strip referred to is best seen in the Marcel pictures. If you place an imaginary 10x10 grid on the MarcelRight picture the feature is at aprox the cross point of x1 y2 from the bottom left.

>And that's all it is. The "bareness" of the metal is easily >explained (delamination of the foil paper) as is the right angle >bend (foil molded to the underlying stick). The "symbols" are >probably imaginary, just crinkles in the foil or maybe >impressions left from being molded to the stick earlier. The 1 >mm anomalous thickness I suspect is also strictly imaginary, >since you are getting down to the pixel resolution of even the >best of images. E.g., on Stan Friedman's negative scan, which is >4000 pixels across of the Ramey/Dubose photo, each pixel >represents about 1/2 mm in that region. There is just no way to >accurately resolve anything less than a millimeter in thickness.

The measurements were made using the MarcelRight image from my 11x14 prints scanned at 2400dpi. The Marcel pictures were taken closer in than the others and in my scans I can just resolve the hairs on the back of Marcel's hand and certainly resolve the stitching on his uniform and boots, I'm guessing this is at near to sub 1mm level, and ok these items are fuzzy but they _are_ visible.

>A very good example of a stick with some foil/paper and paper >still attached lies directly below the "anomalous" metal piece >(a portion of the anomalous piece runs underneath it). The >foil/paper has been wrapped across or around the stick paper >side in, and glued directly to the stick. To the left side, the >foil is seen still attached and molded to the stick (the glued >paper hidden from view underneath), but to the right of this, >the foil has separated from the paper, and shards of white paper >can still be seen glued to the stick.

As I mention above I think we are at cross purposes here, the debris I refer to is a well defined and flat strip save for some regular looking pressed markings and the folded end lip, the fold is across the narrow axis of the strip not along it's length as you would expect if this were some strut/foil artifact, there appears to be no strut debris associated with it.

>Delamination of the foil/paper not only explains bare foil or >paper pieces, it probably also explains the so-called anomalous >white "thick pieces," which look like they've been cut out with >a jigsaw. But I think the simple reality of it is, this is just >torn foil/paper (hence the "jigsaw" pattern) that is partially >delaminated. A little gap opens up in between, giving the >illusion of thickness. The rest of the illusion occurs because >the flash is so close to the camera lens, causing very little >shadowing within the gaps. Instead, the spaces between the white >paper on top and the foil below are filled with light, and it >looks like a solid white piece of something with elaborate cuts >in it.

David, I've very deliberately not played up the subject of the "thick" debris of late as the research into the Bettmann image has developed into a bit of an enigma itself, ie why is the current print obtained directly from the copy negative (and in two individual reprints) lower in definition than the 6+ year old half-tone print I originally found?, and why is it that this print shows the "thick" debris while the current direct print is so badly "bleached" out in those areas comparisons are almost

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impossible?. I have a friend in the publishing industry who has examined the half tone print knowing the processes involved, he could only come up with one very obscure printing flaw that _might_ account for the "thick debris" being a printing error, but an image detail within the thick debris itself makes this flaw impossible as it also does for assuming the "thickness" of the debris was generated by a highly _selective_ double exposure.

I'm happy to discuss what I've seen in the image but until I've done more background work in tracing more good early examples of the image for comparison and possibly tracing the history of the half tone print I have, it has to remain an interesting curiosity showing some unique features but sitting in the "grey basket" for the time being.

My hopes at the moment are that for all Corbis have allegedly searched what was the Bettmann archives for this negative and only produced the current example, because of the superior clarity of my original example I live in hopes there might be a better photographic example still out there somewhere, even the original print that was used to produce my half tone.

<snip>

>>>If it's not a RAWIN, what is it?

>>>No need to speculate here, since it is a RAWIN.

>>David, the above piece of debris is clearly seen in the Marcel >>images without any digital enhancement, what part of a ML307 >>target was this?.

>See above. You know what part of the problem is here? If you >tear anything up, you are going to end up with bits and pieces >that are difficult to place within the original object. They >look unfamiliar.

>Suppose we had torn up Ramey's dress uniform, thrown it on his >rug, and taken some black and white photos. Then we have the >tailor's original diagram, people start pouring over it and >trying to match it to the pieces on the ground.

>If you just step back and look at the photos, you can see a torn >sleeve here, a torn trouser leg there, and it is obvious it is >some torn up clothing. But if you look at the itty-bitty pieces >under a microscope, a lot of it doesn't seem familiar anymore.

>People start saying, "You claim that is Ramey's dress uniform, >but this alleged sleeve is half an inch off the tailor's specs. >And this piece... where did it come from?"

>And for each little fragment you contest, somebody like me comes >along and says, well I can't be sure, but it looks like it was >torn from the lining of the coat. Then you find another fragment >and claim it doesn't match anything on the tailor's diagram. >"Can't be Ramey's dress uniform."

>You can chase gnats like this forever. Stop chasing the gnats. >Step back and look at the forest.

Using the above example to explain my way of looking at the photos:

If while looking closely at photographs of said torn up uniform I come across a shoulder epaulet with 2 stars, but hang on Ramey was only a one star back then?, and further, looking at a piece containing some medal tabs I find honors Ramey was never awarded, I then find the shoulder flash and it's not for the 8th Air Force. What can I conclude other than it does not appear to be Ramey's uniform even though I can confirm from partially reading the tailors label just on the limits of resolution, it's his size.

Ok, it's way over the top as an example, but you get my drift.

>>Also in the Marcel images cables can be seen to the rear of a
>>beam section attached to a foil sheet, what part of a ML307
>>target was this?.

>I don't know. I remember looking at your Web site about 2 years >ago and not making out much of anything. I don't have the image >in front of me and your site is down. e-mail me a copy and I'll >have another look. But I suspect it is just another gnat to >chase. It takes a lot of time to refute this stuff, and I have >things I'd rather be doing.

The old website had to go in a location move but I'd be happy to email you the "cables" image, I do appreciate you comments.

>I remember spending some time back then examining your "thick >pieces" and telling you that it looked like an illusion caused >by delaminated foil/paper. I sent back your blow-up with arrows >marking edges which more clearly showed the separation of foil >and paper and shadowing just beneath the top sheet. I never >heard back. You seem to have blown this off and are still >claiming there are anomalous thick pieces in the photos.

See my comments on this above.

>>I too have images of ML307's from 1947/48 and also images of the
>>ML307C Charles Moore still has, and the Army Signal Corp ML307
>>drawings. I _cannot_ resolve these items. I therefore have to
>>conclude these items of debris, along with others I cannot
>>resolve do not belong to an ML307 as the AF concluded. If you
>>too cannot identify just these two items of anomalous debris
>>then I cannot see logically how you can continue in your stance
>>that _all_ the debris in the pictures is a radar reflector,
>>because these two items and few others plainly say it's not.

>See my comments above regarding Ramey's suit. Fragments may look >unfamiliar simply because the whole has been torn up and the >spatial context has been partially lost. That doesn't mean they >are from somewhere or something else.

I agree David, but if things turn out to be at odds with known facts as in the simplified example of Ramey's uniform what do you do?. Sit back and accept it's Ramey's as originally told? or question and run down the anomalies found?.

>>I'm not making this stuff up, go look and see for yourself in >>the Marcel Right image... it also has the cable loom that an >>ML307 didn't have.

>>Neil

>Send it on, Neil, I'll try to give it an honest appraisal. But >from what I've seen so far, I'm not too hopeful that it is >anything truly anomalous.

I'll email the cables image to you from home this evening.

Best Regards

Neil

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Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 13:39:26 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 04:47:06 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 16:15:34 -0600
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 10:32:36 +0000
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

><Giant, merciful snip>

>>So what have we got in the FW pictures?...debris that looks like >>a weather balloon and radar target? ...sure....

>>But what happens when we look closely at the debris, what do we >>find?.

>>We find some of that debris that couldn't possibly be from a >>weather balloon and target, this additionally confirmed now by >>measurements of the debris, measurements that check out as 98% >>accurate on test articles of known size within the photographs.

>>If it looks like a duck _and_ quacks like a duck, then it most >>probably is a duck.

>>But conversely,

>>The debris in the photographs might look like an ML307 and >>balloon _but_ some of it has "bells and whistles" it shouldn't >>have, and some of it's measurements don't fit.

><snip>

>What you're looking at in those pictures is the remains of a >weather balloon and a rawin target. End of discussion. No matter >how much you analyze it, or overanalyze it, as it were.

>Consider your duck analogy. What is the likelihood that a
>terrestrial balloon and rawin target would not only look like
>the debris of an extraterrestrial space ship, but - happy
>circumstance! - come within two percent or less of the exact
>same dimensions?

>Can you say near zero?

>This is not a likely scenario, to put it mildly.

>Although you are of course free to pursue it to the ends of the >Earth.

>Even if it means submarining any credibility you might have had >re the interpretation of the Ramey memo.

>Heed Rudiak's warning:

>This is a non-starter. You are trying to make a silk purse out >of a sow's ear and it won't wash. To paraphrase Monty Python,

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>this particular bloody, blooming parrot is dead, deceased and >buried. >Quoth the Raven: "Nevermore!" >Instead of zooming in on the FW pictures, you need to zoom out >and see things for what they plainly are: a weather balloon and >rawin device. >You've been blinded by pixel dust. >Dennis Stacy List, Well, it's official! Hell has finally frozen over! Dennis Stacy

and I are in 100% agreement on something.

Snap some photos for your grandkids, because this historic event won't last long. Satan's weather officer predicts a return to normal temperatures within a day or two.

David Rudiak

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Re: Philip K. Dick - Sandow

From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com> Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 15:03:34 -0500 Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 04:48:31 -0500 Subject: Re: Philip K. Dick - Sandow

>Date: Mon, 21 Jan 2002 12:09:01 -0800 (PST)
>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot@yahoo.com></u>
>Subject: Philip K. Dick [was: Review: Abduction in My Life]
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>As PKD is one of my main inspirations, let me say
>"wow." You're
>the first person I've encountered who actually met Dick, not
>counting K.W. Jeter.

Can't say it was inspiring, meeting the man. I was a huge fan of his books, and still am. I've read them and reread them, Phil himself, however, seemed sick and depressed (probably chronically so). Quite self-involved, as well. Of course, I met him only a few months before he died, so he probably _was_ sick. It was an interesting lesson for me, unfortunately borne out many times by later experience -- an artist's work is one thing, and the artist him- or herself something else entirely.

>>Thomas M. Disch (the librettist of two of my operas) is no
>>longer especially known as a science fiction writer, having
>>outgrown the field and joined the ranks of general
>literature.

>"Outgrown" science fiction? Those are fighting words, dude. :)

I regress often. <smiling back>

"Outgrown" would be Tom's notion, not mine. He's quite a serious literary writer.

Greg Sandow

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Hall Thanks Anomalist

From: Richard Hall <hallrichard99@hotmail.com>
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Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 04:51:37 -0500
Subject: Hall Thanks Anomalist

Patrick Huyghe notified me by e-mail yesterday that The UFO Evidence, Volume II, has won the Anomalist Book Award for 2001 in the catregory of 'Best Report'. The Anomalist is a fine journal on anomalies and borderline science (<u>www.anomalist.com</u>) co-published by Huyghe and Dennis Stacy, and I am grateful to them for this honor.

- Dick Hall

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 17:47:26 -0600 Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 05:13:46 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

>Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 11:14:12 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: Neil Morris <<u>neil</u>@adml.ph.man.ac.uk>
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

<snip>

>Check the Feb MUFON Journal, I've supplied a couple of clear >images of just two of the more obvious anomalies. It's very easy >to trot out the mantra "it's nothing but balloon debris", what >I'd like to see is some serious thought given to explain these >items which are not accounted for by simple balloon and radar >target debris.

Neil,

I'll try to track this down. Presently I'm in the midst of moving house & office, which is turning out to be a major hassle. But that issue of the Journal is around here somewhere.

In the meantime, how is it that Mogul debris could so closely resemble alleged ET debris? Never mind any asserted anomalies for the moment.

How is that Mogul debris just happened to closely resemble alleged ET debris within, say, two percent?

What you see in the FW pictures is what you get: flimsy material incapable of surviving the rigors of space travel and at odds with the miraculous properties assigned same by Marcel and others.

You've not only been sold a bill of goods, you've bought it hook, line and sinker.

David Rudiak (not to mention KRandle) will never forgive me for this, but what you see in Ramey's office is the original Roswell stuff: the remains of a weather balloon and rawin target.

The specific purpose of which, yes, was covered up.

Otherwise... that's pretty much it.

Dennis Stacy

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Cydonian Imperative: 01-23-02 The Martian 'Sphinx'

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The Cydonian Imperative 1-23-02

The Martian "Sphinx"...Again by Mac Tonnies

for links and photos:

http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html

Mike Bara has posted an insightful new article on the Enterprise Mission site that directly addresses criticisms I leveled at his original piece, in which he claimed to have identified a sphinx-like structure lurking near the Pathfinder landing site (see my article on Page 22). I have no fundamental problems with Bara's rebuttal, with the exception that I am capable of seeing the sort of spatial differences described in his article. My primary problem with Bara's alleged sphinx is the daunting magnification needed to make it out; I'm simply not convinced we are looking at "complex geometric" (i.e. artificial) shapes.

[image]

Catfight! Image courtesy Kurt Jonach.

The "sphinx" might very well be two (or more) distinct objects, but I see no compelling reason to think they are anything than large boulders. (And no, my reticence is not due to an aversion to the implications of such a discovery, as Bara maintains.) Nevertheless, Bara intelligently counters my argument that the sphinx-feature would have necessarily succumbed to the flood that demolished the Twin Peaks, and offers a computer-rendered model of what he thinks he sees. And maybe he's right. But until astronauts are able to explore the Pathfinder floodplain, I predict the presence of a possible "sphinx" will remain infinitely debatable.

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From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com</u>> Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 10:05:55 -700 Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 14:50:42 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Hutchinson

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 01:26:08 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com</u>>
>>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 11:37:09 -700
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Hutchinson

>>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:37:01 EST
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 19:23:21 -700
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

David and List - sorry this is late. Been a busy boy the last few days.

>><snip>

>>>Brazel's interview makes it
>>>quite obvious that Marcel was not familiar with a Rawin ("he
>>>tried to make a kite"), another good indicator that Rawins were
>>>not available at the RAFFB.

>>>If we are going to accept this at face value, then we must also >>>remember that Brazel said that he had found weather devices on >>>two other occasions and this was nothing like those... except >>>the weather balloon and Rawin would have been just like those.

>>Brazel told the truth. He was used to finding piebald (painted) >>weather balloons

>How do you know that's what he had found?

In his interview with the RDR, he mentioned that he had found on two other occasions, "weather observation balloons". His use of the term "observation" indicates that he had at least a passing knowledge of the typical piebald balloon used by meteorologistsknowledge gained, no doubt, when he turned in the balloons for the \$5 reward.

>>- not unpainted, 'smoky grey' neoprene high
>>altitude balloons. Standard weather balloon systems did not use
>>Rawins. They were tracked visually, and sent back data via a
>>transponder. Finally, they were tagged for a \$5 return. If you
>>consider what the wreckage of a portion of flight 4 looked like,
>>especially with a shredded Rawin thrown in, compared to a
>>brightly painted weather balloon, then we can understand why the
>>true identity was not obvious to either Brazel or Marcel.

>So you are saying a kid who has previously only seen red and

>green balloons wouldn't recognize a balloon if it were some >other color?

It was not just the color. First of all, the typical piebald weather balloon was a single envelope system. When it came down to earth, it would land more-or-less intact. The lower part of the NYU train of 30-odd balloons, reflectors and payload, OTOH, was intangled in rough terrain, shredding some of the balloons and Rawins. After a Rawin or two and the ballast had broken off, the rest of the train flew off.

The result was small pieces of a balloon material Mac had not encountered before - rather than a single, reasonably intact envelope. The Rawin(s) were also beat up- ripped and broken. This is not what he had found twice before.

>That seems to be what you are saying. Two grown men >couldn't tell they had found a balloon. Blanchard at the base >couldn't recognize a balloon either, nor I imagine other people >there who probably saw the debris.

I keep in mind that the key to the whole incident was trying to solve the mystery of the 'Flying Disks'. Like the Circleville farmer, Marcel thought that the debris was the solution. The question was not, then, "is this balloon material" but rather is this what people have been seeing, and reporting, as a 'Flying Disk'.

To answer a bit more literally - what Marcel brought in was some shredded fragments of a balloon ("the biggest was about the size of a basketball" - Bessie Brazel Schreiber) - not a 'complete' balloon. It was also liberally mixed with the remains of the Rawin. Unless you knew precisely what this came from, it would be hard for Marcel- or anyone else - to immediately conclude that the debris came from two separate items.

>Incidentally, Marcel was quite familiar with electronics, being >a radio ham. So if there had been a radiosonde in the debris, he >probably would have recognized it.

Possibly - this, or the ballast, could be the mysterious 'black box' that Cavitt is reputed to have taken back with him.

>He had also taken a >month-long radar intelligence course at the end of the war and >one of his job titles was radar-intelligence officer. He would >no doubt be familiar with the foil/paper chaff used in radar >jamming, since part of his course involved radar >countermeasures.

Immaterial - No matter what he found, had it been an alien ship, could have had an earthly analog. Again - what Marcel found was, in his mind, the solution to the 'Flying Disk' question.

>So here's the scenario you seem to be trying to paint. Marcel >comes across some obvious balloon material, but supposedly can't >recognize it because it is grey. He is also completely unable to >recognize aluminum foil laminated to paper, even though it's the >same stuff used in the radar chaff, or to wrap chewing gum for >that matter. He also apparently couldn't recognize balsa wood >and Scotch tape, two more "exotic" materials used to make the >Rawins.

>From this he jumps to the conclusion that he must have found >a flying saucer.

Yep.

It was not that he couldn=92t recognize, or at least, make a guess, on the identity of an individual piece taken out of the context, but that as a whole, he had 'solved' the 'Flying Disk' puzzle. And despite your treatise on Rawins in the Southwest, he obviously did not recognize what he had as a radar target.

>Somehow he convinces base commander Blanchard of the same thing, >and Blanchard, for unimaginable reasons, issues the press >release.

What if our intrepid Major, having 'solved' the puzzle, bypasses Blanchard and gets Haut to write and release the news on his (Marcel's) authority? No version of the release mentions Blanchard, but it does identify Marcel. He also indicated to Moore (you mention this below), that Haut had alrady leaked the story to the press anuway.

>Cavitt, who was with Marcel and claims he realized it >was a weather balloon all along, can't be bothered to ever tell >Marcel this, or Blanchard either. This doesn't sound like an >elite AF base charged with flying A-bombs -- it sounds like F >Troop.

>The press release causes a press feeding frenzy that not only >descended on Roswell, but Gen. Ramey and the Eighth AF in Fort >Worth, and into the upper reaches of the Pentagon, including >acting Chief of Staff Vandenberg. There were going to be some >awfully angry generals demanding answers and some scalps for >such a colossal and embarrassing foul-up.

Well - it sure did catch the generals by surprise, when they learned of the 'disk' from enquiring reporters. They were understandably curious. But it is evident that Marcel (and C/O Blanchard) was not punished for his enthusiasm.

>But absolutely nothing happened afterwards. There was no >investigation. There were no reports written explaining what had >happened.

Why would there be? Ramey had investigated and discovered the simple misidentification. Press was notified, superiors got a good chuckle, case closed. It was a mere blip on the screen for military people.

>Marcel got recommissioned and year later was still on >the job as head of intelligence at Roswell. Both the SAC and the >Pentagon wanted him for higher intelligence work. The SAC wrote >the Pentagon they already had him in mind for a "key" position. >The SAC briefly made him chief of some sort of foreign air >intelligence division. This is a man who supposedly couldn't >recognize rubber balloons, chewing gum wrapper material, Scotch >tape, and wood used to make kid's kites.

>As this was happening, senior officers were writing reviews of >Marcel. Blanchard's review the following spring and that summer >were the best of Marcel's career to that point. He called him >"highly dependable" and gave him superior ratings on his >ability to reach logical decisions. Does this sound like >somebody who couldn't identify a balloon as a balloon?

Forgive me if this is not exactly the terminology used, but: Marcel was also ranked #3 out three command officers, and it was noted that he sometimes tended to let his imagination get the better of him - something to that effect. (I lost my copy of his fitness report in last year=92s hard drive crash).

BTW - I was not a model soldier in my three year military career - no actual crimes were committed, but I definitely was not a candidate for a recruitment poster. But you sure would not have known that from my fitness reports! Almost all "Outstanding".

>Col. Dubose who indorsed Blanchard's first evaluation, >recommended him for Air Command and Staff School. Both Blanchard >and Dubose had earlier recommended his promotion to Lt. Col. in >the AF Reserve.

I believe it is more correct that they endorsed Marcel=92s request for the promotion in the AF Reserve.

>So all the officers who would have known whether Marcel had >screwed up are instead praising him. Ramey's statements are >especially telling here.

Marcel's 'screw up' was evidently not viewed as detrimental to his career. But then, why should it? The Incident was evidentially viewed as the efforts of a 'go-getum' officer trying to solve the Flying Disk puzzle that had swept the nation over the past two weeks. In any event, it is obvious that the Incident had no lasting effect on the military. So why should they punish anyone for the gaff?

>It should also be pointed out that Marcel wasn't alone in >thinking the material was anomalous. E.g., Bill Brazel Jr. >reported independently the exact same physical properties as >Marcel for the debris fragments he found afterwards. Bill >Rickett, one of the CIC men in Marcel's office, spoke of the >thin metal material he was unable to bend. Gen. Arthur Exon said >he was informed of the physical properties of the material while >he was at Wright Field. Some of the descriptions matched those >of Marcel. Obviously, they wouldn't be testing an aluminum foil >radar target at the Wright Field labs.

>These were just a few of the witnesses to the anomalous debris. >But like a typical Roswell debunker, you make it sound like this >was only Marcel's story.

Nope - but the tales of the other Witnesses, particularly people like Bill Brazel, Marcel Jr,, and Bessie are interesting because the core of their stories describe debris that matches Mac Brazel=92s descriptions, and the stuff on Gen Ramey=92s floor.

>>Brazel initially dismissed his find as junk.

>Says who?

Bessie.

>>It was only when he
>>found out about the reward that he decided to turn it in. He
>>also told Wilcox that his find 'looked meteorological'.

>Well UP quoted Wilcox as claiming Brazel thought it might be a >"weather meter." But Brazel contradicted this statement by >Wilcox in his interview later that evening. According to the >Roswell Daily Record story, Brazel said that "'whispered kinda >confidential like'" to Wilcox "that he might have found a flying >disk." No "weather meter" here.

Of course not. Brazel was telling Wilcox about this stuff he had found that might get him the rewards.

>More tellingly, at the very end of the interview, he >categorically denied that it was a weather balloon. "Brazel said >that he had previously found two weather observation balloons on >the ranch, but that what he found this time did not in any way >resemble either of these. 'I am sure that what I found was not >any weather observation balloon.'"

And he was right.

>So if he never though it was any sort of weather balloon, why >would he tell Wilcox he thought it might be a "weather meter"? >And why would he instead, when interviewed, claim he had told >Wilcox that he thought he had found a flying disk?

[fiction]

"Say Sheriff - I might have found what those folks in the papers have been looking for - you know, a Flying Disk? Never seen anything like this before, and it sure had been flying before it crashed at the ranch. Kinda looks a little like a weather meter, but you never know."

[end fiction]

>>>And we have a farmer in Circleville, Ohio, who found a weather >>>balloon and Rawin target, a man who certainly never seen one >>>before and who was easily able to identify it for what it was.

>>Not hard, when it had a tag identifying the manufacturer as >>'Case Mfc.'.

>>>The weather balloon and Rawin targets were not so extraordinary >>>that they defied identification by those who had not seen those >>>specific items.

>>And yet, even when there was an identifying tag on the wreckage, >>the farmer still turned it in as a 'Flying Disk'! Marcel did the >>same, although his 'disk' did not have a manufacturer's tag.

>Immediately above, you claim Brazel thought it meteorological. >Now your claiming he turned it in as a flying disk. Make up your >mind.

See above.

>You are also begging the question by assuming Marcel did find a >Rawin and turned it in as a flying disk. Maybe he found a flying >disk and turned it in as a flying disk.

Then again.

<snip>

>>Well - I try not to assume anything. The available facts
>>indicate Roswell did not require, use or have available anything
>>resembling the material pictured on General Ramey's floor. So if
>>Marcel transported that wreaked balloon and Rawin, then Flight 4
>>is the only possible source in the area.

<snip>

>The crashed
>Mogul was supposed to be multi-balloon, multi-Rawin, remember?
>Furthermore, the Fort Worth photos, when carefully analyzed,
>clearly indicate that there are only the partial remains of
>_one_ target.

>Yet Brazel in his interview said he rolled all of the sticks and >foil into one bundle. If this was a Mogul, one would expect more >than one target in that mix, and this should be evident in some >way in the photos.

>But no. There is not enough material there to account for even >one complete target. There are no extra sticks and no extra foil >panels. This was indeed the remains of _one_ target. And without >multiple targets, there goes a key piece of evidence that what >Ramey displayed came from a Mogul.

As I mentioned above, the most likely scenario has the Mogul train drifting down with many of the balloons still intact. Once the ballast and a Rawin or two was torn off, the remaining balloons, and Rawin(s), ascended again and flew off. Brazel certainly did not find a complete NYU train, just a portion of it.

<snip>

>Why don't you provide us with a tape of Shandera's interview so >Dubose's alleged statements can be independently verified. Until >then, it's just Shandera's word against opposing _documented_ >statements from Dubose that are on tape or in his affidavit.

I find it curious that Shandara, who was working to prove the UFO hypothesis, gets such short shrift from you and Kevin. I wonder what your opinions would be of his account if he had published the exact opposite - without supporting tapes. But here we have a fellow that is working hard to get a different answer from Col DuBose, and got the "wrong" answer. It is to his credit that he published his notes anyway, even if it was detrimental to his case.

>>BTW- my own personal take on the answers you got was that DuBose
>>was referring to the 'simplification' of the explanation given
>>to the press. Whether he or anyone on Ramey's staff knew
>>anything about Mogul is open for debate - and I think very
>>doubtful.

<snip>

Just to repeat from the above comment - I doubt Ramey knew about Mogul. I did not speculate about Rawins, which was your subject of the "huge snip".

And despite your research that shows the Southwest was lousy with Rawins, nothing you have turned up indicates that Marcel had knowledge of them. When he found the stuff, he was intrigued and curious "he tried to make a kite".

>Now how could all this be (including Kirton's overly early
>"final" identification and announcement of the special flight
>cancellation) unless the whole thing was a set-up from the
>beginning?

Press release hits papers - Ramey notified. Ramey talks to his staff, and Blanchard (and/or Marcel, Cavitt, etc) via phone.

Descriptions are made, and a consensus is arrived at that it looks like a wrecked radar target. Marcel and debris are ordered to Ft Worth to confirm tentative identification, and to give better credence to all future press releases.

While Ramey waits, phones are ringing off the hook. Ramey, Kirton, and possibly others take a few of the calls and calm some semi-hysterical reporters with the tentative identification.

Sure the above is speculation, but it fits how intelligent men would have handled such a situation, fits the available evidence, and is supported by later missives from Twining and Schulgen, who knew that the U.S. did not have any crashed alien ships.

>>However, they decided that it would be best if they
>>just called it a 'weather balloon', rather then go into details
>>about Rawins and such. That was the 'cover story' DuBose was
>>referring to. And DuBose never claimed that there had been a
>>switch of material.

>>Yeah - I know, that is just an =91assumption=92. But it does fit the >>facts, and does not require a conspiracy. <gr>

>Nyahh, it doesn't fit the _documented_ facts. Ramey and minions
>and even a US Senator were identifying it as a radar target
>before Newton's official identification, according to news
>article of the day.

>Furthermore, they didn't just call it a weather balloon. They >specifically identified it as a radar target and also used the >term Rawin device back in 1947. Newton did and so did Kirton >earlier on.

The majority of the papers carried the 'official' weather balloon story - no mention of targets. That was the "cover story" that DuBose was referring to.

>>>>That contradicts what Marcel initially told Moore and Pratt. >>>Jessies' first version was that the pictures of him were the >>>'real' stuff. It was only later that he changed his story.

>Marcel never said anything like this to Bob Pratt. The subject >never came up in Pratt's interview. Where did you get this false >tidbit?

An error on my part.

<snip>

>>Well, Marcel - in person - repeated this initial statement in the
>>movie 'UFOs are Real'.

>Well, if you can speculate, I can speculate too. Suppose=85.

<snip>

Ummmm, so you are saying we have a 'confused' Marcel here? Confused about what? And just how much of the story he told Moore reflected this confusion?

>On the other hand, most of what Marcel recounted in his >interviews tracked quite well with what can be determined from >his military file, news articles of the day, and interviews with >other witnesses. Marcel's story has a lot of corroborating >evidence.

Most? Pilot? Air Ace with 5 kills? Degree from Georgetown?

Final point - Maj. Marcel was not a stupid person. He was reasonably intelligent, and a competent officer. He was also impulsive, and had a good imagination. He simply was taken up with the press reports of all these Flying Disks, and then suddenly the possessor of some strange debris that he did not recognize. He thought he had solved the mystery, and proceeded with that assumption.

Regards,

Bruce Hutchinson

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Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology

From: Chris Rutkowski <rutkows@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 12:57:36 CST
Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 14:54:48 -0500
Subject: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology

Further to various discussions about Keel and Coleman and Barker in the context of the new Mothman movie, I found the following statement by Keel quoted by Barker in The Silver Bridge (the original book about Mothman, published in 1970). The interview took place in 1966.

"I suspect that the UFO buffs and many of the serious researchers like yourself have allowed themselves to be misled and diverted by the controversies and nonsense surrounding this subject. They've worked harder at fighting the Air Force than at investigating UFOs. Groups like NICAP have dedicated themselves to compiling anecdotes rather than facts. They've smothered themselves with what seems like a hopeless cause - trying to prove that UFOs not only exist, but that they come from outer space. You'd think that after twenty years of vain effort they would come to realize that the outer space answer is either partially or is completely erroneous. It's impossible to prove, and very little observational data supports it." (p.74)

Then, just a bit later, he adds:

"... I'm developing a gnawing suspicion that the Air Force has been right all along - and has been telling us part of the truth all along. After all, they've always claimed that there was no evidence of extraterrestrial origin, and so on. If I jumped into print with this kind of conclusion, all the buffs would scream that I've been 'silenced' or 'bought off' or some such nonsense. But I've got to admit that the Air Force's position makes more sense to me every day. Maybe the government has always realized that the 'truth' can't be proven, and that few people would believe it anyway. So they've done the only thing they could do: they've tried to play the whole thing down and dismiss it... The UFO buffs keep waiting for them to land on the White House lawn. I don't think that's ever going to happen... guys like you and I will spend our lives running around trying to find all the pieces to a puzzle which doesn't seem to have any definite shape or borders."

Now, given the current state of ufology and its demise as noted by Jenny Randles recently, are these comments from more than 35 years ago any more or any less significant?

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Sighting Reports From NIDS Database

From: Colm Kelleher <<u>NIDS</u>@lb.bcentral.com>

Date: 23 Jan 2002 19:30:06 -0000 Fwd Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 14:58:29 -0500 Subject: Sighting Reports From NIDS Database

Selected Sighting Reports from the NIDS Database

NIDS is initiating a new policy of posting selected eyewitness summaries on our web site. The summaries will be supplemented with new cases on a regular basis. The purpose is to give the public a broader idea of the kinds of cases we receive through our 24-hour UFO hotline (702-798-1700) and our on-line report form:

http://www.nidsci.org/reportform.html

NIDS has a full time staff of scientists and professional investigators who review all new cases submitted. Investigative resources are allocated based on multiple criteria that include number of witnesses, assessed quality of testimony, credibility of eyewitnesses, physical evidence etc. Further, posting our online summaries may lead to corroborating testimony from previously unknown witnesses to certain events.

In the Research News section of our website, you will find our research reports concerning 'major case' investigations. This Summaries page will contain those cases deemed less significant, but certainly not insignificant. NIDS is able to conduct statistical analysis by virtue of _all_ the sighting events that are reported to us; consequently, the better reporting we have, the more thorough research we can conduct.

In all cases possible, we use the witness's own words to describe his or her experience. Many summaries are gained through our online reporting form; other summaries have been written by NIDS investigators following personal or telephone interviews.

We begin with our first set of 20 reports, to be supplemented periodically with additional narratives. These summaries will be sorted according to the state or country in which the sighting took place, and each set of new additions will be so noted when they are posted. If you have reported a sighting to NIDS and don't see your summary, be patient; our case load is large. Our online reporting form is not sent directly to this section of our website, each summary is reviewed and edited, but only to remove identifying information that may be contained there. NIDS takes confidentiality concerns very seriously.

If you would like to make a report or if you have any questions about these summaries, please let us know. Be advised, however, that we do not divulge the identities of any reporting witness.

Our contact information:

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Secrecy News -- 01/23/02

From: **Steven Aftergood** <<u>saftergood</u>@fas.org> Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 12:08:21 -0500 Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 07:36:59 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/23/02

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INTERNET INFO MAY POSE SECURITY RISK

Those who publish security-related information on the Internet should consider that it may reach an "unintended audience" and could pose a security hazard, according to an official notice issued last week.

"Among the information available to Internet users are details on critical infrastructures, emergency response plans and other data of potential use to persons with criminal intent," the National Infrastructure Protection Center (NIPC) said in a new advisory.

The NIPC called on "Internet content providers to review the data they make available online" with this "potential vulnerability" in mind.

The NIPC is a joint government and private sector entity that is responsible for threat assessment, warning, investigation, and response to attacks on critical infrastructures. It is located at the headquarters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The NIPC advisory provided a list of criteria for evaluating the suitability of information for dissemination on the Internet, including its utility for destructive or criminal purposes and its availability elsewhere.

"Of course, the NIPC remains mindful that, when viewing information access from a security point of view, the advantages of posting certain information could outweigh the risks of doing so," the notice said.

See the January 17 NIPC advisory here:

http://www.nipc.gov/warnings/advisories/2002/02-001.htm

CLASSIFIED INFO IN THE NEWS

Information that is nominally "classified" continues to appear with some frequency in the mainstream media. Here are some of the latest examples:

"The history of Iranian collusion with Hezbollah ... is described in secret intelligence reports provided to The New York Times by intelligence officials," wrote James Risen in a January 17 NY Times story based in part on the secret documents. See "U.S. Traces Iran's Ties to Terror Through a Lebanese":

http://www.nytimes.com/2002/01/17/international/middleeast/17INT E.html

Efforts by the Central Intelligence Agency to cultivate informants among Iranian Americans in Los Angeles were described in the Los Angeles Times on January 15 (and promptly reported the next day in the Tehran Times).

Director of Central Intelligence George J. Tenet personally intervened to ask the LA Times not to publish the story. But the Times stood firm.

See "CIA Looks to Los Angeles for Would-Be Iranian Spies" by Greg Miller:

http://www.latimes.com/news/printedition/la-000003859jan15.storv

Another Los Angeles Times story on January 22 reported that "The National Reconnaissance Office in Chantilly, Va. ... will need 1 million more square feet within the next four years." See "Flood of Wartime Spending Keeps Nation's Capital Flush With Capital" by Johanna Neuman:

http://www.latimes.com/news/nationworld/nation/la-000005659jan22.story

The case that too much information is classified is easy to make. Even Pentagon Secretary Donald Rumsfeld conceded yesterday, while defending the handling of military detainees in Guantanamo, that U.S. interests might have been better served by disclosing more information, not less.

Rumsfeld said that a published photograph of a kneeling, hooded prisoner in Guantanamo had been misinterpreted as evidence of a human rights violation. But a reporter suggested that it would have been harder to misinterpret if more information about the detainees and conditions at the site had been made available.

"Maybe. Yeah. That's fair," Rumsfeld replied.

See excerpts from the January 22 Pentagon press briefing on the detainees here:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/dod012202.html

DECLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS ON PERU

A new compilation of declassified documents on human rights abuses and political violence in Peru has just been published by the National Security Archive.

The compilation, prepared by Archive analyst Tamara Feinstein, complements the collection of Peru-related documents released earlier this month by the U.S. Embassy in Peru.

Aside from the considerable intrinsic interest of the documents themselves, and the light they shed on U.S.-Peru relations, the new compilation also illustrates some awkward truths about national security classification and declassification policy.

The Archive collection, viewed alongside the recent U.S. Embassy release, makes it possible to compare and contrast what has been considered classified and declassified at different points in time.

In a few cases, the U.S. Embassy this month actually withheld information that had previously been released to the Archive under the FOIA. In many other cases, close examination of the newly declassified information suggests that much of it should never have been classified in the first place.

"It's a wonderful object lesson in the subjectivity of most government secrecy," said Archive director Tom Blanton.

See the National Security Archive release here:

http://www.nsarchive.org/news/20020122/

SCIENCE AND THE WAR ON TERRORISM

"Do you have an idea that would help US Military Special Operation Forces? America needs your help!"

That is the pitch to scientists from the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and U.S. Special Operations Command in the latest initiative to harness science and technology for the war against terrorism.

DARPA and SOCOM are hosting a by-invitation only conference in March called "Scientists Helping America" to explore innovative approaches to a variety of military needs from signature reduction to directed energy weapons.

See the conference announcement and application information here:

http://safe.sysplan.com/scihelpamerica/ad.html

Paradoxically, however, the whole effort to "harness" science toward the solution of a specific problem may be counterproductive, writes physician Siddhartha Mukherjee in The New Republic.

The problem with this kind of programmatic, targeted research, he says, "isn't only that it may be more expensive; it's that it leaves little room for a critical feature of the discovery process: serendipity."

Instead, it might be far more efficient, Mukherjee writes suggestively, to amply fund basic science and let the practical results emerge as they will.

"The point is that scientific discoveries often happen when they are least expected. Disparate nodes in knowledge are inexplicably connected through secret passages. And the danger is that a post-September 11 focus on programmatic research might demolish this Looking Glass universe," writes Mukherjee.

See "Fighting Chance" by Siddhartha Mukherjee in The New Republic (11/19/01):

http://www.tnr.com/012102/mukherjee012102.html

POPE REFLECTS ON VALUE OF THE INTERNET

Pope John Paul II discussed the uses and disadvantages of the Internet for advancing the mission of the Church in a statement issued by the Vatican this week.

"The Internet radically redefines a person's psychological relationship to time and space," the Pope stated. "Attention is riveted on what is tangible, useful, instantly available; the stimulus for deeper thought and reflection may be lacking."

"Yet human beings have a vital need for time and inner quiet to ponder and examine life and its mysteries, and to grow gradually into a mature dominion of themselves and of the world around them."

"Understanding and wisdom are the fruit of a contemplative eye upon the world, and do not come from a mere accumulation of facts, no matter how interesting," he said.

The Pope's message "Internet: A New Forum for Proclaiming the Gospel" is dated January 24. It is posted on the Vatican web site here (see under "World Communications Day, 2002"):

http://www.vatican.va/holy father/john paul ii/messages/

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Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 16:07:09 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 07:39:46 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

>Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 17:47:26 -0600
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

<snip>

>In the meantime, how is it that Mogul debris could so closely >resemble alleged ET debris? Never mind any asserted anomalies >for the moment.

>How is that Mogul debris just happened to closely resemble >alleged ET debris within, say, two percent?

>What you see in the FW pictures is what you get: flimsy material >incapable of surviving the rigors of space travel and at odds >with the miraculous properties assigned same by Marcel and >others.

>You've not only been sold a bill of goods, you've bought it >hook, line and sinker.

>David Rudiak (not to mention KRandle) will never forgive me for >this, but what you see in Ramey's office is the original Roswell >stuff: the remains of a weather balloon and rawin target.

>The specific purpose of which, yes, was covered up.

>Otherwise... that's pretty much it.

If it was the remains of a singular balloon and rawin target (which it is), then how do you arrive at the conclusion that it came from a multi-target, multi-balloon Mogul?

I have posed this question to you before and have gotten no answer. What is it that clearly links this debris to Mogul?

The flawed logic is something like this: Birds have feathers; ducks have feathers; therefore the feathers come from a duck. If birds in general have feathers, then how do you know these feathers come from a duck? Where's the webbed feet?

Computer analysis shows that exactly one radar target is in the photos. The exact number of triangle panels making up the target are there and the stick lengths add up to almost exactly what was used in making the targets. There is no excess material in the photos, as would be expected if this truly came from more than one radar target.

Furthermore Brazel in his Roswell Daily Record interview indicated that he rolled _all_ the stick and foil material into _one_ bundle. If there had been more than one radar target, it all would have gotten mixed together. Excess material would have shown up in the photos -- extra sticks, extra foil panels. But they aren't there.

If they had set aside some additional debris that isn't shown in the pictures, then you have to explain how they managed to get the amount of debris for the radar target almost exactly right. That was sensational bookkeeping on their part, especially from intelligence officers who allegedly had no knowledge of radar targets.

Another thing about this radar target when closely examined--it looks very, very clean. The white paper backing has no dirt on it, There are no water stains. There had been a few thunder storms during the month in central N.M. since Mogul #4 was launched. Where is the expected evidence of weathering in this radar target?

The obvious conclusion is that they started with exactly one radar target. That explains in easily the most economical fashion why the radar target debris is accounted for by exactly one target, and not one iota more.

As for the clean target, this is suggestive that it was off the shelf from somewhere, or if it was from a real crashed target, it hadn't lain on the ground all that long, certainly not a Mogul month. There wasn't time for it to weather.

Now let's move on to the balloon material. I've calculated the approximate volume of the displayed balloon, and it could all fit into a shoebox. Although this hasn't been firmly established yet, the material probably can all be accounted for by a standard-sized 350 gram weather balloon used to loft radiosondes or Rawin targets.

What happened to the rest of those 2 dozen Mogul balloons?

Furthermore, Brazel said in his interview that the material was in "strips" which he gathered up into a bundle. But the material in the photos looks relatively intact, as if it came from one balloon. Where are all the strips?

The material also shows stretch marks, and the way it is piled on the floor also gives it the appearance of still having elasticity. A neoprene balloon left in the desert sun for 2 to 3 weeks, much less a month, would have deteriorated to the point of brittleness, as Charles Moore of Mogul has demonstrated many times. It breaks up into flakes, not "rubber strips", and resembles paper ash, not a still elastic balloon.

As for the darkening, the neoprene balloons darkened very quickly in the sun. Bob Galganski e-mailed me the results of an experiment he had done with some neoprene balloon material. In only 5 hours it had turned from its pristine milky white color to a darkish brown. His photos were quite dramatic. And if you read Charley Moore's AF interview and affidavit, he speaks of the balloons turning dark in only a few days. It doesn't require a month in the sun.

So what the Ramey material appears to be is a singular balloon in a still intact, elastic condition. Since the balloons darkened very rapidly, this would suggest a balloon that has weathered, but probably for only a few days at most. A month-old balloon would not look like this. It would be in tatters by then.

Such a balloon could come from anywhere. Hundreds were sent up everyday from weather stations all over the country. All it would take would be for one person to turn one in admidst the national saucer hysteria, and that would account for the balloon in the photo. You don't need a Mogul recovery.

Here's another interesting balloon item hot off the presses, prompted by the recent debate over so-called anomalous debris. Neil Morris e-mailed a scan of an area at Marcel's feet in the "Marcel facing right" photo, at the right edge of the balloon. This was the so-called "cable structure." There is indeed a "cable," but I interpret it as a more mundane piece of balloon twine obviously tied to the end of the balloon. Once you know where to look, even more of it can be seen in the Newton photo. Neil is to be congratulated for noticing this.

I certainly don't find this to be anomalous, but it is very interesting. Why? Because Mack Brazel in that same RDR interview was quoted as saying, "No strings or wire were to be found..." Yet here's balloon twine tied to the one and only balloon on display. It's hard to understand how Brazel could have missed it. This is but one inconsistency between Brazel's account and Re: Roswell Threads - Rudiak

what was on display in Ramey's office.

Let's recap. There is only one radar target and one balloon in the Fort Worth photos. As Ramey himself was quoted by United Press early on as saying, it was "the remnants of _A_ weather and _A_ radar reflector." All accounts from Fort Worth were of a singular balloon and target, including the FBI telegram.

This is very hard to reconcile with a multi-balloon, multi-target Mogul recovery, even neglecting the physical condition of the debris, which is also inconsistent.

However, it is very easy to explain if they brought in a single balloon and a single target as a shill for the "real" stuff, as Marcel and Dubose said happened. What can be seen in the Fort Worth photos corroborates the testimony of both Marcel and Dubose. It does _not_ support a Mogul recovery.

If it was a single balloon and target, there would be _nothing_ to set it apart from an ordinary Rawin weather balloon and no conceivable reason to protect the "specific purpose" of Mogul. How could anyone even tell it was from a Mogul?

Newton's ID would indeed have been final, and there would have been no need for the special flight to Wright Field, as Ramey and minions announced to the press. Yet the FBI was told that Wright Field disagreed with that assessment, and the debris was being shipped to Wright Field after all.

Why would Wright Field disagree and why would further identification be needed? There is deafening silence from the debunkers on these points, but inquiring minds want to know.

It's time to start answering some hard questions instead of evading them.

David Rudiak

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Posted on behalf of Joseph Trainor.

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ALIEN SKULL DISCOVERED IN BULGARIA?

Leyla Degirmen, UFO Roundup correspondent in the Balkans, has come across a strange story in the Turkish newspaper Milliyet, which stated that an alien skull was found last May in southern Bulgaria.

"On May 21, 2001, a villager found an unusual skull on Rodolp Mountain in Bulgaria," somewhere near Ardino and Madan, about 200 kilometers (120 miles) south of Sofia, the national capital.

"Some scientists held a meeting in Asenovgrad. Prof. Yordan Yordanov, one of the best-known anthropologists in Europe, claimed that he had never seen a human or an animal skull like this in his life. Katya Melamet, one of the archaeologists at the Bulgarian Science Academy, has also told that she has never seen anything like this."

"The story of the villager is also very interesting," Leyla writes, "He claimed that he had seen five people, with yellow metallic clothes, in his dream. They told the villager to go to the area on the 21st of May, and when he went there, he found the skull and a (small) elliptical metal object."

"The skull is (weighs) about 250 grams and has six holes in it to (which apparently) belong to the senses. The skull also has no mouth hole."

"This summary is from an article published in Milliyet on January 4, 2002."

"I thought it is a very important discovery, but the strange thing is that I cannot find the source of this information, or any other news related to it, no matter how hard I try. Milliyet is a leading newspaper in Turkey, and they have been very reliable for over thirty years."

Asenovgrad is a city located 100 kilometers (60 miles) southeast of Sofia, Bulgaria. (See Milliyet for January 4, 2002. Many thanks to Leyla Degirmen for this report.) (Editor's Comment: Another "now you see it, now you don't" newspaper story, eh? It could be a hoax. Or maybe somebody tampered with Milliyet's website. It's unlikely that aliens buried one of their own in the rugged Rodolpi range. Could it be that the aliens were bushwhacked by military units operating in the area during World War II, and a dead alien was hastily buried there? Perhaps more of our readers in southeastern Europe can contribute additional

information.)

CYLINDRICAL UFO SIGHTED IN SOUTHERN SPAIN

"On Tuesday, January 8, 2002, at 3:15 p.m., a UFO was seen by a multitude of drivers along Sevilla's (a.k.a. Seville--J.T.) Ruta (Route) S-30 in the vicinity of Montequinto."

"The UFO was cylindrical in shape, with two whitish lights on its 'bow' and its 'stern,' respectively. Its overall aspect was metallic and wingless. There was only a protuberance on its nose," which gave it the appearance of the fuselage of a Concorde. "Two further protuberances were also seen on its aft section."

"It travelled in a constant direction towards downtown Sevilla and, although the sky was overcast, it flew at such a low altitude that it was clearly visible. Its size was considered to be roughly that of a twin-propeller (twin-rotor) military helicopter."

(See Anos Luz for January 9, 2002, "Multiple sightings over Sevilla." Muchas gracias a Scott Corrales, autor de los libros Chupacabras and Other Mysteries y Forbidden Mexico, y tambien Jose Antonio Roldan y Manuel Bautista para esas informaciones.)

AN UNUSUAL UFO DISPLAY IN NORTH YORKSHIRE, UK

Peter M. and his family "live in the village of South Stainley, near Harrogate, North Yorkshire, England. While lying in bed at 12:30 a.m. on Friday, January 18, 2002--the curtains were drawn back--my attention was drawn to what I initially thought was a very bright star in a southwesterly direction. After looking at it for a couple of minutes, I realized it was moving slightly and seemed to be pulsating."

"I went downstairs to get my binoculars to have a better look. What I saw I find very hard to come to terms with. It appeared to be a long tube of linked rings of various colours which was expanding and contracting lengthwise. It then converted to a single line of short lines of different colours, which appeared to be 'hinged' at equal spacing. The 'line' then started forming a vast array of different shapes at fantastic speed. Apart from zigzagging up and down, it also formed oval and circular shapes and, believe it or not, a heart shape."

"This must have been quite a considerable distance away as, looking at it with the naked eye, it appeared as just a bright light. And, while watching it, I didn't have to move the binoculars to keep it in the picture. I watched the object for almost an hour as it slowly moved past my field of view."

"I made a point of looking for it again at 12:30 a.m. this morning," Saturday, January 19, 2002, "and went outside to see if I could get a better view. The same object was in approximately the same position performing exactly the same, though I didn't see the tubular shape I saw the night before."

"Then I noticed some similar lights at various points in the sky around my house, and when I focused on them, they were doing exactly the same thing. Some were not as bright, obviously being at a greater distance, but one I could see from the side of my house," facing east, "that was about the same as the original one. They all appeared to be more or less static (stationary in the USA--J.T.) in the sky, apart from the movement while making shapes, which was constant." (Email Interview)

UFO FLAP FOCUS SWITCHES TO CUERNAVACA, MEXICO

Mexico's UFO flap continued last week in the state of Morelos, with most of the action taking place in and around the city of Cuernavaca.

On Sunday, January 13, 2002, "a spherical UFO of great size was seen by more than a dozen people over a hospital in the city of Cuernavaca. The UFO hovered at a low altitude. Finally, the UFO turned transparent and then vanished completely and could no longer be seen."

That same evening, around midnight, "two luminous spheres were

seen by 10 eyewitnesses in la colonia Santa Rosa Xochiac, a small village in the Los Leones desert," southwest of Mexico City, the national capital.

"The two strange objects emitted much light and hovered at a low altitude over some trees, sending off vibrations that rattled windows in some of the houses in the zone. Afterward, there was an intense thunderstorm that extended all throughout the (desert) valley."

On Monday, January 14, 2002, at 8 a.m., "a tubular UFO was seen by five witnesses in Ajusco, to the south of Mexico City. They described it as 'a cylindrical UFO of a metallic aspect, which hovered over the mountains overlooking Ajusco and was seen by motorists driving (north) into the Distrito Federal."

"On Monday, January 14, 2002, at 3:30 p.m., "a disc-shaped object with a dome on the top was seen by airline personnel at Mexico City's international airport. Witnesses described 'a strange object of metallic appearance in the sky over the capital.'" (See NotiOVNI for January 20, 2002. Muchas gracias a Daniel Munoz y Alfonso Salazar para esas noticias.)

LUMINOUS UFO VIDEOTAPED JUST WEST OF BRASILIA

On Sunday, December 23, 2001, "a UFO was filmed by a TV crew near Brasilia," the capital of Brazil. "They were returning from a work-related trip to Goiania, the capital of the state of Goias."

"According to the witnesses," and to the videotape images seen by investigating Brazilian ufologists, "the object was real round and was shiny. It was yellow-colored. By the camera, you could see details that were not seen by the naked eye, such as some sparkles on the top of the object."

"According to the cameraman that we interviewed, at the moment the light came over the highway, they stopped the car and began to film it."

The camera crew then "called CINDACTA (Brazil's NORAD--J.T.) to tell them what they were seeing, and a few minutes later, two commercial aircraft passed close to the object. The object made impossible movements" that no conventional aircraft could make "and made no sound."

The videotape was analyzed by Ricardo Varela, director of imaging for the Brazilian Entity for Extraterrestrial Research (EBE-ET) The witnesses were interviewed by Roberto Beck and Thiago Luiz Tichetti of EBE-ET. (Muito obrigado a Thiago Luiz Tichetti por esas informacoes.) (Editor's Comment: South America is having a major UFO flap this week. There's more to come, so stay tuned.)

UFO FLAP BREAKS OUT IN COLOMBIA

On Sunday, January 6, 2002, at 11:30 p.m., dozens of residents of Tabio, a town in the Pena de Huaila region of Colombia, "spotted the approach of a great light on the horizon, followed by several smaller lights. The (lead) UFO, changing its shape, was captured by a hand-held video camera, and the image is excellent."

The Tabio videotape was broadcast on Canal (Channel) Caracol on RCN-TV in Bogota, the national capital.

The following day, Monday, January 7, 2002, at 8:05 a.m., "a luminous ovoid object appeared and hovered at an altitude of 500 meters (1,650 feet) and was seen both by laborers in Tabio and campesinos (farmhands) in Pena de Huaila."

On Wednesday, January 16, 2002, "at 10:30 a.m., in the village of Timiza, near Bogota, a gigantic luminous object approached and flew over the village and caused such excitement that the mayor and several residents telephoned Organizacion Contacto OVNI (Spanish for UFO Contact Organization--J.T.) in the capital."(Muchas gracias a William Chavez y Roberto Gomez del Organizacion Contacto OVNI para esas noticias.)

CYLINDRICAL UFO HOVERS NEAR CALAMA, CHILE

On Wednesday, January 16, 2002, "residents of the El Loa region saw an enigmatic and cylindrical light at a certain distance from Calama," a town in northern Chile that has been the location of UFO and Chupacabra incidents for the past two years.

"According to eyewitness accounts, the distance did not allow for a detailed view of the light. Therefore it could be fairly described as an unidentified flying object or UFO," reported Calama ufologist Jaime Ferrer.

"'The fact is that I don't know what it really was. It could have been a weather balloon or something else, but it looked very strange,' said a resident, who was heading towards Chuquicamata at that time of day."

Chile's Oficina de Aeronautica Civil (OAC) in Antofagasta, the nearest large city, pointed out that their airport radar sets "picked up nothing at the time in question."

"'Generally, people notify us when sightings of this type take place. But this time we received no reports of anything unusual,' explained Renzi Jara, manager of the El Loa (regional) airport." (Muchas gracias a Scott Corrales y Jaime Ferrer del Centro OVNI de Calama (Spanish for UFO Center of Calama--J.T.) para esas noticias.)

FATHER, DAUGHTER SEE A GREEN UFO IN WEST VIRGINIA

A spherical green UFO was seen flying at a low altitude in August 2001 over Milton, West Virginia (population 3,500), a town on Interstate Highway I-64 approximately 36 miles (57 kilometers) west of Charleston, the state capital.

Darren E., age 41, reports, "My daughter and I saw a green ball fly right through our home town. It flew over the stop light (on the main street--J.T.) In fact, we only have two stop lights in the town. It was daylight. What a sight!"

"I was on a pay phone out in town. The booth is attached to the building. While I was walking to my truck, I watched this dull green ball fly across in front of me. It was 3 p.m. I was about 100 yards (97 meters) away. It was about 40 or 50 feet (12 or 15 meters) off the ground. It was right above the power lines so I could see it clearly. The green ball never had a smoke trail or anything. It just went across my home town like it knew its way around."

"My little girl Dara just froze in amazement. I'm 41 and my daughter is 14. A friend of my family was talking about it also. It flew out of sight after about 30 seconds' time." (Email Interview)

FIERY SPHEROID UFO SIGHTED IN PEARLAND, TEXAS

"Some Pearland residents are still scratching their heads after spotting a strange object in the sky Sunday," January 6, 2002. "But was it a UFO?"

Pearland, Tex. (population 18,700) is located on Highway 35 about 15 miles (25 kilometers) south of Houston.

"There is a mystery unfolding in Pearland. But it may be awhile before this one involving a 'fire in the sky' is solved."

"Rocky Flint captured the image Sunday afternoon with his video recorder in Pearland. It appears to be a burning object in the sky. His wife, Cynthia, says it was hard to miss."

"'It resembled a floating fireball,' she said."

In the video, "the fiery ball appears to remain stationary for several minutes before moving downward and then disappearing. Mrs. Flint said she had no idea what she was witnessing."

"'There's nothing to describe what it was. It's so unique and so different. I've never in my whole life seen anything like it.' she said."

"Eyewitness News made calls to both (Houston's international) airport and anyone who could shed any light on the thing. The Brazoria County Sheriff's Department also received many calls,

UFO ROUNDUP, Volume 7 Number 4 but they couldn't find anything. Flint's husband has his own theory." "'He couldn't believe what he was seeing. He said it looked like a UFO, '" Cynthia said. "Before Sunday, Mrs. Flint didn't believe in UFOs. 'I'm not a big believer of them. But I can't describe what I saw up there, either.'" (See the KTRK-TV website for January 7, 2002, "UFO sighting? Mystery object caught on tape." Many thanks to Gerry Lovell of Far Shores for this story.) ANCIENT SUNKEN CITY FOUND OFF THE COAST OF INDIA "Remains of a prehistoric civilization from 7,500 B.C. have been found in the sea off the west coast of India." The remains were found just off the coast of Surat, in western India, "discovered 40 meters below the surface of the sea," about 9 kilometers (5 miles) from shore. "Archaeologists found the pieces of wood, remains of pots, fossil bones and what appears to be construction material." "'Clearly this is the work of a human civilization. They found a patio, a stairway, public baths and the ruins of a temple,' said Muril Manohar Joshi, India's Minister of Human Resources. 'It appears to be a civilization of the Harappan type but much, much older, flourishing in 7,500 B.C. It is much older than the cities of Harappa and Mohenjo-daro (in Pakistan--J.T.), two cities which reached their pinnacle in 3,000 B.C.' "The archaeological discovery was the joint work of two Indian institutes -- the Institute of Archaeology and the Institute of Oceanic Studies. The ruins were found in the Gulf of Cambay, in the Arabian Sea, just off the coast of the state of Gujarat." "Also discovered at the site were urns filled with human bones and fossilized teeth. Carbon dating of wood samples produced the estimated date of 7,500 B.C. The prehistoric city was located on the shores of a river, which is now a gully in the seabed about 9 kilometers (5 miles) from shore." "'We have formed a study group that will ask profound questions about this mysterious civilization and in which epoch this culture disappeared,' Joshi said." Surat is located about 250 kilometers (150 miles) north of Mumbai (Bombay), the largest city in western India. (See The Hindustan Times for January 16, 2002 and USA Today for January 17, 2002, "Find in India suggests ancient city.") (Editor's Comment: So much for the quaint notion that civilization originated in Sumeria (modern Iraq) in 3,500 B.C. This is the third discovery of ancient ruins and artifacts from 7,000 B.C., the Hyborian Age or "age undreamed of" by Texas author Robert E. Howard (1906-1936) The sunken city might even be the "Ayodhya" that Howard wrote about in Weird Tales. This is the story in which the wizards of the Black Circle kidnapped Yasmina Devi and turned her into their private nautch girl at their ashram "deep in the Himelias" (Himalayas--J.T.) Then Conan arrived and started "the Mother of All Jihads" by attacking the ashram and slicing up anybody who even looked like an intiate. You know, some day UFO Roundup will have to do a feature story on Bobby Howard's siesta dream in San Antonio in 1932 and the strange birth of "Conan of Cimmeria.")

"IT WAS MANY AND MANY A YEAR AGO, IN A KINGDOM BY THE SEA..."

In Baltimore, Maryland, "a small crowd gathered at the old church where Edgar Allan Poe lies buried, waiting, as they do every year, for the arrival of a stranger."

"A black-clad man arrived at 2:59 a.m. Saturday," January 19, 2002, "marking the poet's birthday with the traditional graveside tribute: three red roses and a half bottle of cognac. Only this and nothing more."

"It is a rite that has been carried out by a mysterious stranger every January 19 since 1949, a century after Poe drank himself to death in Baltimore at age 40."

"Jeff Jerome, curator of the Edgar Allan Poe House and Museum, and 15 invited guests watched from inside the church."

"The three roses represent Poe, his wife and his Aunt Maria Clemm, who are buried beneath the newer monument."

"The cognac is a mystery, Jerome has said, because there are no prominent references to it in Poe's works." (Editor's Comment: Maybe a half-bottle of cognac was found near Poe's body when he

died in 1849.)

"A prolific poet and critic, Poe wrote comedies, detective stories and tales of the macabre, including The Fall of the House of Usher, The Pit and the Pendulum and The Telltale Heart." (See the Duluth, Minn. News-Tribune for January 20, 2002, "Poe cloaked in mystery, even in death," page 8A.) (Editor's Comment: The Poe House, located at 123 North Amity Street in Baltimore, is the most haunted house in Maryland, displaying the most uncanny phenomena conceivable over the years. People have been known to go insane just stepping into the front room. But nothing is quite so strange as the continuing mystery of the Man in Black who visits the poet's grave every year. If you must visit the Poe House...whatever you do, don't pet the raven!)

From the UFO Files...

1913: MYSTERIOUS AIRSHIP SPOTTED OVER WALES

During the first two decades of the Twentieth Century, there were a number of strange "airship" or UFO flaps. They took place in the USA, UK, Italy, Germany and New Zealand. In 1913, UK, in particular, was visited by a number of "dark airships." Here's a case from Wales.

"On 17 January (1913) at 4:45 p.m., Capt. L. Lindsay, Chief Constable of Glamorganshire (Wales) saw an airship flying over Cardiff, creating 'a dense volume of smoke.'" Lindsay "noted it was much bigger and faster than the locally-built Willows airship."

"Half an hour later," at 5:15 p.m., "Steven Morgan saw a similar ship, trailing smoke, over Merthyr, 30 miles (48 kilometers) away--a very high speed for airships of the era." (See UFO: The Complete Sightings by Peter Brookesmith, Barnes & Noble Inc., New York, N.Y., 1995, page 28.)

That's it for this week. Join us next time for more UFO, Fortean and paranormal news from around the planet Earth, brought to you by "the paper that goes home-- UFO Roundup." See you then!

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Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology -

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Subject: Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology -

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>Subject: Quote From John Keel About 'Current Ufology'

>Further to various discussions about Keel and Coleman and Barker >in the context of the new Mothman movie, I found the following >statement by Keel quoted by Barker in The Silver Bridge (the >original book about Mothman, published in 1970). The interview >took place in 1966.

>"I suspect that the UFO buffs and many of the serious >researchers like yourself have allowed themselves to be misled >and diverted by the controversies and nonsense surrounding this >subject. They've worked harder at fighting the Air Force than at >investigating UFOs. Groups like NICAP have dedicated themselves >to compiling anecdotes rather than facts. They've smothered >themselves with what seems like a hopeless cause - trying to >prove that UFOs not only exist, but that they come from outer >space. You'd think that after twenty years of vain effort they >would come to realize that the outer space answer is either >partially or is completely erroneous. It's impossible to prove, >and very little observational data supports it." (p.74)

>Then, just a bit later, he adds:

>"... I'm developing a gnawing suspicion that the Air Force has >been right all along - and has been telling us part of the truth >all along. After all, they've always claimed that there was no >evidence of extraterrestrial origin, and so on. If I jumped into >print with this kind of conclusion, all the buffs would scream >that I've been 'silenced' or 'bought off' or some such nonsense. >But I've got to admit that the Air Force's position makes more >sense to me every day. Maybe the government has always realized >that the 'truth' can't be proven, and that few people would >believe it anyway. So they've done the only thing they could do: >they've tried to play the whole thing down and dismiss it... The >UFO buffs keep waiting for them to land on the White House lawn. >I don't think that's ever going to happen... guys like you and I >will spend our lives running around trying to find all the >pieces to a puzzle which doesn't seem to have any definite shape >or borders."

>Now, given the current state of ufology and its demise as noted by >Jenny Randles recently, are these comments from more than 35 >years ago any more or any less significant?

Chris,

No. They are just more B.S. from "Crazy John" with whom I once had a confrontation in the NICAP office. He was just back from an area of West Virginia where he had been mucking around, and was ranting at me about how bad and inept our NICAP personnel were there. I distinctly remember saying to him, "John, you are full of s___; we don't even have any personnel there!" We only "compiled anecdotes?" That is highly amusing coming from storyteller John who obviously has not read The UFO Evidence or other NICAP reports, but who has contributed heavily to "UFO Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology -

mythology.".

- Dick

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Messrs. Mortellaro & Velez

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Subject: Messrs. Mortellaro & Velez

The discussions between Messrs. Mortellaro & Velez over the years have been revealing - positions stated and re-stated.

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A search within the Archive for "Velez" + "Mortellaro" - using Steve Goodman's excellent search-engine, 'Google' - popped 249 instances, as of the last 'crawl' by search-bots.

To conserve bandwith, VSN MBs and unless either party has something new to add, I suggest both parties ignore each other's posts.

Gentlemen, time will tell.....

Errol Bruce-Knapp - Moderator UFO UpDates - Toronto

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 16:50:25 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 08:54:16 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

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Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 13:39:26 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>List,

>Well, it's official! Hell has finally frozen over! Dennis Stacy >and I are in 100% agreement on something.

>Snap some photos for your grandkids, because this historic event >won't last long. Satan's weather officer predicts a return to >normal temperatures within a day or two.

David,

Would you believe it was 71 degrees here when I took my kid to school at 7:45 in the morning?

What has the world come to?

According to the weatherman, though, another cold front is supposed to blow in tomorrow. They tell us we may get down to... 35.

Shortly thereafter, or a year later - whichever comes first - I expect you to admit that what was pictured on Ramey's floor is what came from Roswell, indeed, is what Brazel, Marcel and company originally recovered.

Now _that_ will be a cold day in Hades.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Roswell Threads - Lehmberg

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>>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

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>Most? Pilot? Air Ace with 5 kills? Degree from Georgetown?

That either/or fallacy is a cancer of the first water isn't it? It'll even contribute to the invalidation of your calmly implemented if not well reasoned argument for the... ah, 'justification' of the extreme prosaic... destroy it utterly. <g>.

By extension of a similar logic, _either_you_ are a sincere proponent of the merely prosaic because you are an intellectual coward oblivious to a reality made plain in history, quality anecdote, films and movies, and quality work, _or_ you know the obvious truth and calmly front for the aggregate forces of institutional darkess out of sociopathic meanspiritedness... which? I'm sure you would argue for some third alternative? "Either/or" usually has a hole in it, wouldn't you agree?

So, _either_ Marcel was a liar and his saucer story was a confabulation, OR he was not a liar and he was just mistaken in his analysis prompted by childish imagination... Marcel can be 'demonstrated' to be a 'liar' so the investigation itself is an exercise in futility, and by extension indicative of the futility of _any_ investigation as regards UFOs... Cut to the chase.

My imagination might be a _little_ more well honed given the professionally social shunning I've experienced for rational views over the last few years, but it seems to me that there is a profusion, a plethora, and a panoply of _ready_ choices, related and unrelated, to the two white bread neo-historical tick turds you trot out here regarding Roswell and its cast of players. Go back to the basics, dude. Something 'exceptional' is _occurring_, forgetting Roswell, and the mainstream refuses to look for it! This situation has not changed in fifty years, has been one muffled and unfocused neo-investigative boondoggle after another that whole time, and is a contested area with an army of prosaic contrarians - such as yourself, seemingly. Is your reluctance, if that's what it is, to consider the less than prosaic kept alive by trepidation of the approaching unknown? That's a dentist's office visit better put behind you, if it is.

>Final point - Maj. Marcel was not a stupid person. He was >reasonably intelligent, and a competent officer. He was also >impulsive, and had a good imagination. He simply was taken up >with the press reports of all these Flying Disks, and then >suddenly the possessor of some strange debris that he did not >recognize. He thought he had solved the mystery, and proceeded >with that assumption.

I sense that you want us all to breath the same sigh of relief that you seem to demonstrate, that we are alone in this universe for all practical purposes, and that we are beholden, then, to naught but man and God... I think you intellectually short change humanity, while giving it too much ideosycncratic credit at the same time. There's more to heaven and Earth than your too casually applied 'either/or' of convenient philosophy can account for, sir. A lot more.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND - John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is - the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: Hall Thanks Anomalist - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee

brumac@compuserve.com>

Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 19:54:55 -0500

Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 11:14:43 -0500

Subject: Re: Hall Thanks Anomalist - Maccabee

>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99@</u>hotmail.com>
>To: <u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: Hall Thanks Anomalist
>Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 20:58:06 +0000

>Patrick Huyghe notified me by e-mail yesterday that The UFO
>Evidence, Volume II, has won the Anomalist Book Award for 2001
>in the catregory of 'Best Report'. The Anomalist is a fine
>journal on anomalies and borderline science (www.anomalist.com)
>co-published by Huyghe and Dennis Stacy, and I am grateful to
>them for this honor.

Congratulations on being the Top Anomalist.

Does that also make you the Chief Anomaly?

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UFO Congresses - Bordentown, New Jersey

From: Tom Benson <<u>sparkle@earthlink.net></u>
Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 21:42:57 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 11:16:57 -0500
Subject: UFO Congresses - Bordentown, New Jersey

Dear List:

In 2002, two Great UFO/ET Congresses will occur on April 6 & 7 and October 12 & 13, 2002 at the Days Inn, Rt. #206 & NJ Turnpike Exit #7 near Bordentown, NJ. Speakers confirmed for the April event, thus far include:

White Eagle - Will discuss Native American teachings, traditions and rituals concerning the origin of Man, Starnacee, our ancestors from the Pleiades and Orion star systems, the island of Adom/Atlantis, Evelandia, the Garden of Eden, Builders of Ancient Egypt & South America, hidden cities of the South West, Ancient American prophecies, the Crystal Skull, the UFO connection, and return to Earth Mother.

Rosemary Ellen Guiley - author of several books on the paranormal will discuss Vampires from Outerspace, exploration of the common ground shared by the Vampire Myth, ET's and the Archetype of Death.

Antonio Huneeus - A columnist for FATE magazine, will give an illustrative, visual presentation on recent UFO evidence from Spain, Italy, Hungary and a host of other nations. Antonio has published the only article concerning the Mussolini UFO documents. The full story of these "X Files" from the Italian Fascist era of the 1930's, where secret documents describe "unconventional air mobiles" will be revealed. This and much more European info was obtained from the International UFO Symposium of 2001 in the Republic of San Marino (located in central Italy) where he recently returned from lecturing. He has also spoke at previous symposiums held there and recently spoke at the Budapest, Hungary International UFO Congress and he was presented there with an award. He will describe UFO reports by Police witnesses and others and he will have film to show.

Patrick Huyghe - Co-editor of the Anomalist and author of several books will discuss his recent UFO research and books.

For more information such as a schedule of talks and costs, please contact Pat. J. Marcattilio at: 221 Joan Terrace, Hamilton Township, New Jersey 08629, or phone (609)631-8955 between 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., or email your snail mail address to: <u>sparkle@earthlink.net and a flyer</u>, when finished, will be mailed to you. Additional speakers will be posted to this List when confirmed.

Tom Benson

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Re: Roswell Threads - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 23:36:04 EST Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 12:50:25 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Gates

>Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 17:47:26 -0600
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

<snip>

Neil,

<snip>

>How is that Mogul debris just happened to closely resemble >alleged ET debris within, say, two percent?

>What you see in the FW pictures is what you get: flimsy material >incapable of surviving the rigors of space travel and at odds >with the miraculous properties assigned same by Marcel and >others.

>You've not only been sold a bill of goods, you've bought it >hook, line and sinker.

>David Rudiak (not to mention KRandle) will never forgive me for >this, but what you see in Ramey's office is the original Roswell >stuff: the remains of a weather balloon and rawin target.

Dennis,

May I make an observation here. What I see in the photos appears to be balloon/target debris. In your post you suggest that it is "the original Roswell stuff." How do you, or I know for a fact that the material laying in Ramey's office was in fact the original stuff that came from Roswell. In fact this stuff (ballon/target material) could have come from most anywhere from base supply.

The facts would seem to indicate that at that date and time, in Rameys office a ballon/target was troted out for what we would call today "a photo op" that was designed to get the press off of everybodys back.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

From: Neil Morris <<u>neil@adml.ph.man.ac.uk></u> Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 14:16:16 +0000 Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 12:55:15 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Morris

>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 10:05:55 -700
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 01:26:08 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com></u>
>>>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 11:37:09 -700
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Hutchinson

>>>From: Kevin Randle <<u>KRandle993@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Thu, 17 Jan 2002 09:37:01 EST
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>>>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch</u>@grassyhill.com>
>>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>>>Date: Wed, 16 Jan 2002 19:23:21 -700
>>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

>David and List - sorry this is late. Been a busy boy the last >few days.

>>><snip>

>>>Brazel's interview makes it
>>>>quite obvious that Marcel was not familiar with a Rawin ("he
>>>>tried to make a kite"), another good indicator that Rawins were
>>>>not available at the RAFFB.

>>>>If we are going to accept this at face value, then we must also >>>>remember that Brazel said that he had found weather devices on >>>two other occasions and this was nothing like those... except >>>the weather balloon and Rawin would have been just like those.

>>>Brazel told the truth. He was used to finding piebald (painted) >>>weather balloons

>>How do you know that's what he had found?

>In his interview with the RDR, he mentioned that he had found on >two other occasions, "weather observation balloons". His use of >the term "observation" indicates that he had at least a passing >knowledge of the typical piebald balloon used by meteorologists->knowledge gained, no doubt, when he turned in the balloons for >the \$5 reward.

>>>- not unpainted, 'smoky grey' neoprene high
>>>altitude balloons. Standard weather balloon systems did not use
>>>Rawins. They were tracked visually, and sent back data via a
>>>transponder. Finally, they were tagged for a \$5 return. If you
>>>consider what the wreckage of a portion of flight 4 looked like,
>>>especially with a shredded Rawin thrown in, compared to a
>>>brightly painted weather balloon, then we can understand why the

>>>true identity was not obvious to either Brazel or Marcel.

>>So you are saying a kid who has previously only seen red and
>>green balloons wouldn't recognize a balloon if it were some
>>other color?

>It was not just the color. First of all, the typical piebald >weather balloon was a single envelope system. When it came down >to earth, it would land more-or-less intact. The lower part of >the NYU train of 30-odd balloons, reflectors and payload, OTOH, >was intangled in rough terrain, shredding some of the balloons >and Rawins. After a Rawin or two and the ballast had broken off, >the rest of the train flew off.

>>The result was small pieces of a balloon material Mac had not >encountered before - rather than a single, reasonably intact >envelope. The Rawin(s) were also beat up- ripped and broken. >This is not what he had found twice before.

Hi All,

Can I jump in here and make an observation, the original argument above revolved around the phrase "he tried to make a kite with it" ie Mack saying that Marcel tried to piece together a kite structure with the debris (presumably the foil/stick stuff).

But then doesn't a fully assembled ML307 radar target strike a marked resemblance to a _box_ _kite_?.

In other words do we have here an indicator that Marcel _was_ aware of the ML307 and in fact the other target types in use then that also bore some resemblance to kite like structures, and he was taking this point into account as he inspected the debris?.

>>That seems to be what you are saying. Two grown men
>>couldn't tell they had found a balloon. Blanchard at the base
>>couldn't recognize a balloon either, nor I imagine other people
>>there who probably saw the debris.

>I keep in mind that the key to the whole incident was trying to >solve the mystery of the 'Flying Disks'. Like the Circleville >farmer, Marcel thought that the debris was the solution. The >question was not, then, "is this balloon material" but rather is >this what people have been seeing, and reporting, as a 'Flying >Disk'.

>To answer a bit more literally - what Marcel brought in was some >shredded fragments of a balloon ("the biggest was about the size >of a basketball" - Bessie Brazel Schreiber) - not a 'complete' >balloon. It was also liberally mixed with the remains of the >Rawin. Unless you knew precisely what this came from, it would >be hard for Marcel- or anyone else - to immediately conclude >that the debris came from two separate items.

This above debris description is highly selective and therefore very incomplete ie, Mack Brazel, prior to the involvement of RAAF had described some of the debris to Sheriff Wilcox as being _mainly_ foil-like with one piece of debris singled out as being the size of the Sheriff's safe which was given as aprox 4'x3'x3', this account related to UP wireservices by one of Wilcox's deputies on the afternoon of the 8th July.

>>Incidentally, Marcel was quite familiar with electronics, being >>a radio ham. So if there had been a radiosonde in the debris, he >>probably would have recognized it.

>Possibly - this, or the ballast, could be the mysterious 'black >box' that Cavitt is reputed to have taken back with him.

The ballast tanks appear to have been bright orange in colour as seen in surviving colour footage of the NYU/MOGUL launches, they also carried "danger" signs as kerosene was one of the ballasts used.

>>He had also taken a
>>month-long radar intelligence course at the end of the war and
>>one of his job titles was radar-intelligence officer. He would
>>no doubt be familiar with the foil/paper chaff used in radar
>>jamming, since part of his course involved radar

>>countermeasures.

>Immaterial - No matter what he found, had it been an alien ship, >could have had an earthly analog. Again - what Marcel found was, >in his mind, the solution to the 'Flying Disk' question.

This is a rather sweeping and dismissive statement and not supported by his apparent actions, ie the point I made above re the "kite" and he also asked his son Jesse Jnr to keep an eye open for any electronic components spotted when he called home en-route to RAAF with some of the debris and the pair looked through a couple of boxes of the stuff in the Marcel's kitchen. These appear to be rather the actions of a man _checking_ the debris against and for, known earthly parameters.

<snip>

>What if our intrepid Major, having 'solved' the puzzle, bypasses >Blanchard and gets Haut to write and release the news on his >(Marcel's) authority? No version of the release mentions >Blanchard, but it does identify Marcel. He also indicated to >Moore (you mention this below), that Haut had alrady leaked the >story to the press anuway.

If he'd have done that ie issue a public statement unapproved and over the head of his commander he would have found himself in exceedingly deep do-do, that was totally against protocol.

There is also testimony from Blanchard's friends at the time in Roswell that Blanchard did confirm to them _he_ issued the release.

<snip>

>>The crashed
>>Mogul was supposed to be multi-balloon, multi-Rawin, remember?
>>Furthermore, the Fort Worth photos, when carefully analyzed,
>>clearly indicate that there are only the partial remains of
>>_one_ target.

There are photographs of NYU/MOGUL launches where the number of ML307's used varies from 1 ->5, Charles Moore suggested 3 might have been used on the Flt4 launch, it seems a good working guess.

As for the FW debris, remember Marcel states much debris was still left on the B29 flown from RAAF and that much more debris was still left out at the site, I think the quote is something along the lines of they (Marcel/Cavitt) only recovered a portion of it and a greater part of it was still left behind.

>>Yet Brazel in his interview said he rolled all of the sticks and >>foil into one bundle. If this was a Mogul, one would expect more >>than one target in that mix, and this should be evident in some >>way in the photos.

>>But no. There is not enough material there to account for even >>one complete target. There are no extra sticks and no extra foil >>panels. This was indeed the remains of _one_ target. And without >>multiple targets, there goes a key piece of evidence that what >>Ramey displayed came from a Mogul.

>As I mentioned above, the most likely scenario has the Mogul >train drifting down with many of the balloons still intact. Once >the ballast and a Rawin or two was torn off, the remaining >balloons, and Rawin(s), ascended again and flew off. Brazel >certainly did not find a complete NYU train, just a portion of >it.

The point is I think, there is _too_ _much_ debris for it to have been any of the NYU launches. Calculating the amount of material required, even for a "light dusting" of debris to cover the various descriptions of the debris field, including that given by Mack in the same RDR article we get the rolled up bundle of sticks story, show far more debris would be required than what was available in any NYU balloon train, remember the piece of debris Mack mentioned to Wilcox as reported on UP, foil like and 4'x3'x3' that's a large amount of material, plus you still have to have further quantities of debris spread over the site at a sufficient density to pick it out as a defined area. There was only a very finite amount of foil and envelope material available overall in a single NYU balloon launch

<snip>

>>Now how could all this be (including Kirton's overly early
>>"final" identification and announcement of the special flight
>>cancellation) unless the whole thing was a set-up from the
>>beginning?

>Press release hits papers - Ramey notified. Ramey talks to his
>staff, and Blanchard (and/or Marcel, Cavitt, etc) via phone.
>Descriptions are made, and a consensus is arrived at that it
>looks like a wrecked radar target. Marcel and debris are ordered
>to Ft Worth to confirm tentative identification, and to give
>better credence to all future press releases.

>While Ramey waits, phones are ringing off the hook. Ramey, >Kirton, and possibly others take a few of the calls and calm >some semi-hysterical reporters with the tentative >identification.

>Sure the above is speculation, but it fits how intelligent men >would have handled such a situation, fits the available >evidence, and is supported by later missives from Twining and >Schulgen, who knew that the U.S. did not have any crashed alien >ships.

Recently found press quotes from Ramey do not support the above. They indicate the debris was shipped to FWAAF and it was inspected there and that the FWAAF staff were unable to identify it. See my posting of this Reuters press release in my post to David Rudiak earlier in this thread..

<snip>

>Final point - Maj. Marcel was not a stupid person. He was >reasonably intelligent, and a competent officer. He was also >impulsive, and had a good imagination. He simply was taken up >with the press reports of all these Flying Disks, and then >suddenly the possessor of some strange debris that he did not >recognize. He thought he had solved the mystery, and proceeded >with that assumption.

Marcel was also not in charge of RAAF and as such it would not have been his decision to pursue the matter that, at the end of the day that would have been Blanchard's call, presumably after some consultation with Jennings his deputy base commander.

Marcel was only one cog in a bigger machine.

Neil

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Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology -

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Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 13:01:05 -0500
Subject: Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology -

>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99@</u>hotmail.com>
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology
>Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 22:34:05 +0000

>>From: Chris Rutkowski <<u>rutkows</u>@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 12:57:36 CST
>>Subject: Quote From John Keel About 'Current Ufology'

>>Further to various discussions about Keel and Coleman and Barker >>in the context of the new Mothman movie, I found the following >>statement by Keel quoted by Barker in The Silver Bridge (the >>original book about Mothman, published in 1970). The interview >>took place in 1966.

>>"I suspect that the UFO buffs and many of the serious >>researchers like yourself have allowed themselves to be misled >>and diverted by the controversies and nonsense surrounding this >>subject. They've worked harder at fighting the Air Force than at >>investigating UFOs. Groups like NICAP have dedicated themselves >>to compiling anecdotes rather than facts. They've smothered >>themselves with what seems like a hopeless cause - trying to >>prove that UFOs not only exist, but that they come from outer >>space. You'd think that after twenty years of vain effort they >>would come to realize that the outer space answer is either >>partially or is completely erroneous. It's impossible to prove, >>and very little observational data supports it." (p.74)

>>"... I'm developing a gnawing suspicion that the Air Force has
>>been right all along - and has been telling us part of the truth
>>all along. After all, they've always claimed that there was no
>>evidence of extraterrestrial origin, and so on. If I jumped into
>>print with this kind of conclusion, all the buffs would scream
>>that I've been 'silenced' or 'bought off' or some such nonsense.
>>But I've got to admit that the Air Force's position makes more
>>sense to me every day."

>>Now, given the current state of ufology and its demise as noted by >>Jenny Randles recently, are these comments from more than 35 >>years ago any more or any less significant?

>No. They are just more B.S. from "Crazy John" with whom I once >had a confrontation in the NICAP office. He was just back from >an area of West Virginia where he had been mucking around, and >was ranting at me about how bad and inept our NICAP personnel >were there. I distinctly remember saying to him, "John, you are >full of s___; we don't even have any personnel there!" We only >"compiled anecdotes?" That is highly amusing coming from >storyteller John who obviously has not read The UFO Evidence or >other NICAP reports, but who has contributed heavily to "UFO >mythology.".

As someone intimately familiar, from long experience and exposure, with Keel's writings, methods, and personality, I agree completely with Dick. To be blunt about it, I'm shocked that Chris, for whom I have the greatest respect, represents John Keel as a rational critic of ufology. Apparently it needs Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology -

to be pointed out that Keel has long sought to replace sober investigation and theory with wild-eyed occult notions for which zero supporting evidence exists and which, if widely accepted by ufologists, would put UFO study so far out on the margins that it might as well be a distant galaxy.

If you think demons are responsible for UFO and other anomalous phenomena, or that this is at least a respectable, arguable hypothesis, then John Keel is your man. If you think science and reason are more likely than demonology to get to the bottom of the mystery someday, then Keel is just another of the colorful eccentrics - maybe, very roughly speaking, a kind of latterday George Hunt Williamson - who have wandered through saucer culture over the decades.

It is amusing, though typical, that Keel is accusing _others_ of "compiling anecdotes." Like most people, I've always read Keel for the anecdotes he relates so entertainingly. (Is there a more entertaining Fortean book than The Mothman Prophecies? Well, okay, Fort's books themselves, but aside from those....) For real UFO scholarship and research, however, I go to works like Dick's UFO Evidence II and to the excellent field reports NICAP investigators prepared from thorough inquiries into individual cases.

Jerry Clark

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http://www.wikipedia.com/

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Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 09:53:39 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 14:03:08 -0500 Subject: http://www.wikipedia.com/

Folks,

Here's an interesting idea about presenting the best of our solid UFO evidence to a wider audience. Wikipedia is a free online Encyclopedia that is gaining some broad exposure. Anyone can contribute articles. I would suggest that the cream of our researcher group consider contributing some solid overview articles on the UFO topic to this effort, so that folks using the encyclopedia will find some decent overview information instead of the usual garbage, or nothing at all.

See the encyclopedia's website at:

http://www.wikipedia.com

if you think you might have something to contribute.

-Brian Cuthbertson

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Re: Roswell Threads - Hutchinson

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>>David Rudiak (not to mention KRandle) will never forgive me for >>this, but what you see in Ramey's office is the original Roswell >>stuff: the remains of a weather balloon and rawin target.

>>The specific purpose of which, yes, was covered up.

>>Otherwise... that's pretty much it.

>If it was the remains of a singular balloon and rawin target >(which it is), then how do you arrive at the conclusion that it >came from a multi-target, multi-balloon Mogul?

I covered this in another post, but elaboration on that answer seems to be required.

The NYU/Mogul array fully deployed was over 600ft in height. It consisted of 28 balloons, with a large, heavy lift balloon at the top. Attached below, were the many smaller balloons, which increased the lift capacity, and added stability to the train. At the bottom was the payload and the Rawins.

Some 7-10 days after the launch of Flight 4, the effects of sunlight finally started to have an effect, and some balloons started rupturing. This caused a change in the equilibrium, and the train started drifting back to earth. When it finally touched down, most of the balloons were still intact.

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>Such a balloon could come from anywhere. Hundreds were sent up >everyday from weather stations all over the country. All it >would take would be for one person to turn one in admidst the >national saucer hysteria, and that would account for the balloon >in the photo. You don't need a Mogul recovery. The majority of balloons launched in the late forties were weather observation systems that were tracked optically. These 'piebald' balloons were pigmented for easy tracking. The material used on flight four was not pigmented. But even today, sightings of balloons account for significant number of UFO reports.

Even Mac had recovered piebald balloons in the past. But these past recoveries had not included foil and sticks. It was not the balloon material that made the debris unusual, it was the Rawin.

Regards,

Bruce Hutchinson

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Re: UFO Congresses - Bordentown, New Jersey

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>Date: Tue, 22 Jan 2002 21:42:57 -0500

>Dear List:

>In 2002, two Great UFO/ET Congresses will occur on April 6 & 7
>and October 12 & 13, 2002 at the Days Inn, Rt. #206 & NJ
>Turnpike Exit #7 near Bordentown, NJ. Speakers confirmed for the
>April event, thus far include:

Hello, all.

<snip>

I snipped the whole lot, not unashamedly, but with the satisfaction of popping a zit, a zit on the body of ufology. I know some of us may share some sympathies with the views to be expressed but here is my opinion: In the expressed interest in accuracy, truth, and scientific effort that needs to be the formost effort in figuring out just what the heck _is_ going on. Not some proclimations of peace, love and space vampires.

Just how are we to verify some of the claims made. If these folks have direct communication, ok fine let's see it. I mean the Trafalmadorian Aerial Demonstration Team preforming over the Bordentown Days Inn.

I get so tired of the New Age (it really isn't new) and I know the press is going to have a field day with this. I can't wait to see some media type interveiwing some fake native American or fakir/guru talking about the space brothers as if he or she has high tea with them at 4:00 pm each day. Of course the media type will have the usual X-files or some such music for the theme of the piece. Then when there is say, a Bruce Maccabee or a Richard Hall or a Stan Friedman in town, the media type wonders where the greasepaint and rubber noses are. No such thing as a serious reasearcher is there - nuyk nuyk.

Oh well.

GT McCoy

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 12:51:40 -0600 Fwd Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 08:02:09 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

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>Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 23:36:04 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>Dennis,

>May I make an observation here. What I see in the photos appears >to be balloon/target debris. In your post you suggest that it is >"the original Roswell stuff." How do you, or I know for a fact >that the material laying in Ramey's office was in fact the >original stuff that came from Roswell. In fact this stuff >(ballon/target material) could have come from most anywhere from >base supply.

>The facts would seem to indicate that at that date and time, in >Rameys office a ballon/target was troted out for what we would >call today "a photo op" that was designed to get the press off >of everybodys back.

Robert,

The trouble with trying to think and talk about Roswell is that almost every researcher has a different Roswell in mind. When Researcher A talks about Roswell, he or she might have in mind a Roswell that involved multiple objects and crash sites, alien bodies, a massive recovery and cover-up, and who knows what else. Researcher B's Roswell might be a minimalist one, with the Foster ranch debris field, no fire engines nor bodies, but one with a press conference in Fort Worth at which a weather balloon was substituted for the real debris. And so on.

If the real Roswell would simply stand up and step forward, life would be much easier. But it's obvious at this point that that ain't gonna happen - at least to everyone's satisfaction.

It has to be said (and I realize this isn't a popular position) that part of the blame for the confusing picture we have needs to be laid at the feet of the original writers on the subject. All sorts of spurious testimony crept into the arena that never should have been allowed in in the first place.

In their defense, though, this is the way research proceeds: two steps forward and one step back. But it's a little bit like the correction of the front page headline that gets buried on page 16 of the next day's paper: too little, too late. The end result is that there are a lot more Roswells running around out there than there should have been.

One thing I have never "liked" about even the bare bones Roswell is the paucity of variety in the debris described. At the most we're talking about four or five types - beams, foil, maybe some threads and some Bakelite-like stuff. This does not like a spaceship sound.

Admittedly, a comparison to known terrestrial technology might

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not be the soundest approach, but it's the only one we have. Imagine, if you can, a B-1 or B-2 bomber coming apart overhead. You would literally find hundreds, if not thousands, of different types of debris, not to mention body parts.

Maybe at some point in the distant future flying machines get vastly simpler, rather than more complex, from what we have today -- I just can't bring myself to imagine how. Nor can I wrap my mind around the presumed assumption that material capable of surviving space travel would somehow come apart so completely as is usually described by Roswell witnesses, typically without mention of scorch or fire marks. Depending, of course, on which particular Roswell you're referring to.

This is why I personally have no problem applying Occam's Razor and subscribing to the most minimal Roswell of them all -Project Mogul. Whether one agrees or not, Mogul was in the area, could have come down on the Foster ranch, could have been what was recovered, shipped to Fort Worth, and photographed on Ramey's floor. It's simple, neat, and straightforward, with no need of cover ups, switching of material, and vast conspiracies.

How can I explain all the anecdotal testimony that argues otherwise? That's easy, too. I can't. But I can't explain why Glenn Dennis is still sticking to his nurse story, either - nor, indeed, why he came up with it in the first place.

Finally, there's the 'what if' test. What if we had really recovered the remains of an extraterrestrial spaceship near Roswell in 1947? Would history have played out the way it has? I think the argument can be made that it wouldn't have - that there would be visible footprints in both government and military policy at large that I just don't see any convincing evidence of.

By way of but one large example, I don't think the Cold War would have unfolded as it did had we actually had knowledge of a spaceship from another planet as early as 1947. But that's another e-mail.

In the meantime, that's my Roswell, and I'm sticking to it.

Everyone else is welcome to theirs. Bodies and all.

Dennis Stacy

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Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology -

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>>Subject: Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology
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>>Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 12:57:36 CST
>>>Subject: Quote From John Keel About 'Current Ufology'

>>>Further to various discussions about Keel and Coleman and Barker >>>in the context of the new Mothman movie, I found the following >>>statement by Keel quoted by Barker in The Silver Bridge (the >>>original book about Mothman, published in 1970). The interview >>>took place in 1966.

>>>"I suspect that the UFO buffs and many of the serious
>>>researchers like yourself have allowed themselves to be misled
>>>and diverted by the controversies and nonsense surrounding this
>>>subject.

<snip>

(But I believe we would have to concede this point.)

>>>Now, given the current state of ufology and its demise as noted by >>>Jenny Randles recently, are these comments from more than 35 >>>years ago any more or any less significant?

>>No. They are just more B.S. from "Crazy John" with whom I once >>had a confrontation in the NICAP office. He was just back from >>an area of West Virginia where he had been mucking around, and >>was ranting at me about how bad and inept our NICAP personnel >>were there. I distinctly remember saying to him, "John, you are >>full of s___; we don't even have any personnel there!" We only >>"compiled anecdotes?" That is highly amusing coming from >>storyteller John who obviously has not read The UFO Evidence or >>other NICAP reports, but who has contributed heavily to "UFO >>mythology.".

>As someone intimately familiar, from long experience and exposure, >with Keel's writings, methods, and personality, I agree completely with >Dick. To be blunt about it, I'm shocked that Chris, for whom I have >the greatest respect, represents John Keel as a rational critic of >ufology.

That's funny, I don't recall describing Keel as such. I thought my post was quite clear. I simply found the quote within The Silver Bridge, a volume much in demand today with the release of the Mothman movie, and asked the question of its relevance to ufology today, whether it was either more or less significant.

To be blunt, I'm shocked that Jerry is shocked, especially since

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my true views on ufology have been well-advanced on Updates and elsewhere. I'm disappointed by his reaction.

>It is amusing, though typical, that Keel is accusing _others_ of >"compiling anecdotes." Like most people, I've always read Keel for >the anecdotes he relates so entertainingly. (Is there a more entertaining >Fortean book than The Mothman Prophecies? Well, okay, Fort's >books themselves, but aside from those....)

My other point was actually to show that The Silver Bridge is the book more closely aligned with the movie's sensational approach, rather than Keel's later work.

>For real UFO scholarship and research, however, I go to works like >Dick's UFO Evidence II and to the excellent field reports NICAP >investigators prepared from thorough inquiries into individual cases.

I'd have to agree. It's the books and articles about serious and thorough case investigation which are the foundation of ufology.

With some concern and puzzlement, I remain,

Chris Rutkowski

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'Bonafide' Abductees?

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Subject: 'Bonafide' Abductees?

Whom and what determines if an abductee is 'bonafide'? I'm not trying to be confrontational since I consider myself a cog in that wheel.

All of these discussions about scientific research and statistics are based on the assumption that those being studied are, without a doubt, abductees.

How is it possible to determine this?

I have the utmost respect for those that have tackled this dilemma.

I always get a giggle when I read that "49% of abductees feel such-and-such" - many of the abductees I know do not talk to _anyone_ (researchers included). Are these considered 'self-proclaimed' abductees? Perhaps...

Does having a researcher investigate your case and declare you "real" make it so? I'd be interested in hearing what others think...

Michelle Guerin

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Mogul Shredded [was: Roswell Threads]

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>>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
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>>>David Rudiak (not to mention KRandle) will never forgive me for >>>this, but what you see in Ramey's office is the original Roswell >>>stuff: the remains of a weather balloon and rawin target.

>>>The specific purpose of which, yes, was covered up.

>>>Otherwise... that's pretty much it.

>>If it was the remains of a singular balloon and rawin target
>>(which it is), then how do you arrive at the conclusion that it
>>came from a multi-target, multi-balloon Mogul?

Throughout this, notice that Bruce Hutchinson does not explain how exactly only one radar target and one balloon ended up in the Fort Worth photos. Furthermore, as explained below, his hypothesis requires the finding of obvious payload equipment along with any radar target. But there is no such items in the photos and Ramey in 1947 denied the finding of any instrumentation. Such equipment also was _not_ described by any of the primary men in the field, namely Brazel, Marcel, and Cavitt. The closest thing to any sort of payload was Cavitt's "black box" described by Marcel.

The standard Mogul scenario also requires the presence of paper parachutes, the alleged explanation for Marcel's "parchment-like" material. Again, there is nothing like this in the photos. But since this is part of the standard Mogul debunking hypothesis, we require a Mogul balloon that carried them, as explained more clearly below.

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This is strictly an assumption as to the configuration, since there is no surviving technical documentation of Flight #4. This is very convenient, since Roswell debunkers can then mold Flight #4 into anything they want it to be, such as definitely carrying radar targets and paper parachutes, items in reality that were rarely used on the Mogul flights. This assumed configuration is also based strictly on the 40+ year old memories and assumptions of one man, Charles Moore of Mogul, and we will see more clearly later how much Moore's assumptions, not facts, have driven the Mogul hypothesis.

But let's play along. The balloon configuration Bruce is describing above is a composite of Flight #2, launched from Bethlehem Penn. about 10 days before and Flight #5, launched the day after Flight #4 from Alamogordo.

Engineering schematics for both flights exist. Flight #5 shows 3 larger lifter balloons at the top and 25 smaller balloons forming the major balloon train strung out in a line below. That's Bruce's assumed 28 balloons.

Flight #2 had two larger lifter balloons at the top followed by 21 smaller balloons below. That's only 23 balloons, but not a concern.

Flight #5, however, shows no paper parachutes, only 1 silk one, and _no_ radar targets. It is Flight #2 that shows 3 targets and 4 of the paper 'chutes. Since the Mogul hypothesis requires both items to properly debunk Marcel's description of debris, it would seem Flight #2 would be the best model configuration, not Flight #5, sans targets and chutes.

The complete Flight 2 balloon train consisted of the following items: 2 larger lifter balloons at the top, a paper chute below and a cutoff device just below that, to cut loose the larger lifter balloons at 35,000'. Immediately below this were the 21 smaller 350 gram meteorological balloons and another cutoff device to cut loose 3 more of these balloons at 45000'. Finally came three radar targets, followed by three paper chutes, a radiosonde with batteries, a sonobuoy microphone payload with shroud rings, and at the very bottom was ballast and altitude control equipment. The ballast/altitude control was cut loose on descent by another cutoff device directly above (this factoid also enters into the discussion below).

This is the Mogul balloon configuration that comes closest to how Moore _assumes_ Flight 4 must have been configured, including the radar targets and paper parachutes. Note that all of this is a reconstruction, since Moore actually has no direct memory of Flight 4, relying almost entirely on a brief entry in a diary by one of the main Mogul people.

>Some 7-10 days after the launch of Flight 4,

No doubt meaning 7-10 hours after launch. After 7 to 10 days, Flight 4 would have ended up somewhere in Europe or Asia.

A 7 to 10 hour flight time is another of those unsupported, undocumented assumptions by Charles Moore needed to get his little lost Mogul up as far as Brazel's place, also making all sorts of assumptions about wind speeds and direction, balloon rise rates, altitudes, launch time, and other "fudge" factors required by Moore to create the necessary trajectory. Jiggle these assumptions even a little bit and Flight #4 could just as well have dropped on Col. Blanchard's head at Roswell, as Flight #5 nearly did the next day.

Just to show you how arbitrary this flight time is, surviving flight summaries of the early Mogul neoprene balloon flights show _none_ of these flights lasted this long. That's right, none! The closest was Flight 7, the last of the neoprene balloon series, which lasted 413 minutes, just under 7 hours. Flight 5, interestingly listed as "the first successful flight carrying a heavy load," lasted 343 minutes, or under 6 hours. (Hence can we conclude Flight 4 wasn't successful and didn't stay aloft as long as Moore _assumes_?) Flight 6, however, lasted only 166'; #1 only 115'; #A only 70'; #B only 31'.

So how did Moore come up with a flight time of as much as 10 hours? The problem Moore faced was getting the neoprene balloons to stay up much longer than any of them actually did so that he could get his little lost Mogul up to Brazel's place. What would happen is that they would deteriorate in the sun, get brittle in the cold, and generally pop after a few hours. Thus Moore had to get rid of the sun for at least a few more hours to retard deterioration.

How do you do that? Well it's real easy kiddies when there is no documentation to directly contradict any story you spin for

Flight 4. What you do is assume the launch time was in the wee hours of the morning instead of sunrise like most Mogul flights, and which had been Moore's previous story of the launch time for a number of years. Moore seems to "remember" and assume just whatever he needs to make Mogul 4 work.

Now launching a Mogul at 2:00 in the morning instead of 5:00 (Moore's previous "memory" or assumption) doesn't make a lot of sense, especially this very first N.M. flight, since visual tracking of the balloons through theodolites was an important component of tracking during the first few hours of flight, and you can't track visually in the middle of the night. So another of Moore's assumptions is that they didn't need visual tracking because they had a radiosonde and radar reflectors for tracking as well, even those these remained untested in the new setting of N.M.

See how easy it is to make Flight 4 work if you just assume whatever you need to make it work? Oddly Moore's calculation of a Flight 4 trajectory is treated as "scientific" by the unthinking skeptical community because he uses those mystical things called "numbers." What generally goes unnoticed is that Moore has been shamelessly cooking the books.

I have gone into great and gory detail on this because Roswell debunkers like Bruce just uncritically repeat the debunking party line without thinking or caring about all the hidden assumptions behind all this. They instead repeat Charley Moore's version of events, instead of acknowledging Moore keeps changing his "memories" of what happened and assuming all sorts of things that are completely undocumented and based largely on wishful thinking.

Below we will also see how the myth of the multiple radar targets in Ramey's office also came directly from Charley Moore.

>the effects of
>sunlight finally started to have an effect, and some balloons
>started rupturing.

Hence the need for Moore to arbitrarily move the Flight 4 launch time back to 2:00 am. Got to get rid of that sunlight and keep the balloons up there longer.

>This caused a change in the equilibrium, and >the train started drifting back to earth. When it finally >touched down, most of the balloons were still intact.

Again, how could Bruce Hutchison possibly know that "most" of the balloons were still intact? Yet another assumption apparently based on psychic abilities. Most of the balloons probably popped or deflated before ever touching down, especially if up there for Moore's needed "7 to 10" hours.

>The train sagged to the ground until sufficient weight was >relieved from the system for the remaining balloons to stay >aloft. Wind dragged the train over the ground, mangling the >Rawins, until it became entangled in rocks and brush.

Now here's a _real_ important point and one the debunkers keep sweeping under the rug. Notice those _multiple_ Rawins being dragged along the ground and "mangled." There should be pieces rom all those targets on the ground -- right?

Fast forward to Brazel's Roswell Daily Record interview. They quote him as saying, "When the debris was gathered up the tinfoil, paper, tape, and sticks made a bundle about three feet long and 7 or 8 inches thick, while the rubber made a bundle about 18 or 20 inches long and about 8 inches thick."

In other words, those multiple, mangled targets would have been all rolled up together into one bundle.

When you unpack that bundle in Fort Worth for photos, there should be some evidence of multiple targets all mixed up into one bundle -- right? -- extra framework sticks and extra triangular foil panels used to make the targets.

In fact, an article of faith in the debunking community is that the photos do show more than one target. Karl Pflock in his recently published book presents this as if were a proven fact (p. 164): "Finally, the photographs of the debris taken in Gen. Ramey's office _unquestionably_ show the remains of _more than one_ ML-307B radar target and _several_ degraded neoprene sounding balloons.

It's not just thrown up there as a proposition. According to Pflock, the subject is "unquestionable." Case closed.

Now can you guess who Pflock cites as his reference for this "unquestionable fact"? Why yes, the omnipresent, all-knowing, infallible Charles Moore. Moore wrote it in a letter to Robert Todd in 1992 and A.F. lead debunker and counterintelligence agent Col. Richard Weaver in 1994. Moore's an expert on Mogul so it must be true -- right?

How did Moore determine there was more than one radar target in the photos? He must have done a careful analysis -- right? Well, no, all he did was eyeball the photos and declare there was more than one target there. E.g., in his A.F. interview, he was again shown the photos and states (p. 50), "That looks like more than one target to me in the various pictures."

Of such fluff are debunker urban legends born. Never mind that it is merely an opinion, an eyeball estimate. Moore says it, so it must be true, an "unquestionable", absolute, uncontestable fact.

Now let me again break the bad news to the debunkers, based not on an eyeball estimate, but on a very careful, 3-D computer analysis of the photos I have been doing the last two weeks. There are no extra targets. Nada. Zippo. Every radar target scrap in those photos is accounted for by exactly one target. There is nary one extra stick nor one extra foil panel. I'm not making this up. Those are simply the objective facts revealed by a careful accounting of the actual debris in the photos.

Yet Bruce Hutchinson recites the standard Mogul Charley Moore crash scenario. There were multiple radar targets shredded when Mogul landed. Mack Brazel then claimed he gathered all these shredded pieces up into one bundle, hence all those shredded targets all mixed together.

But that isn't what the photos show. They show exactly the right number of sticks and foil panels that would come from exactly one target. No multiple target fragments all mooshed together here.

Furthermore, the white paper backing on this single target is surprising clean for a target that was supposedly dragged and shredded through the dirt, left out in the open for a month, and cycled through a few thunderstorms. This paper is uniform, bright white. There is no evidence of dirt and no water stains anywhere to be seen.

In fact, it looks exactly like a fresh radar target pulled off the shelf from someplace, torn up by someone to make it look like it has crashed, and then tossed on Gen. Ramey's floor for a photo op to get the press off their backs.

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>the remaining balloons could now rise again. The train flew off,
>leaving behind the shredded Rawin,

Yes, folks, the Mogul being blown about the wind, had the presence of mind to leave beyond the shredded remains of exactly one Rawin target, not one iota more nor one iota less. The other targets on this alleged multi-target flight obligingly didn't shred along with their singular brethren, and instead flew away completely intact to Debunker Never-Never-Land with the rest of the balloons.

How did the other Rawins do that -- were they covered with a special suit of armor?

Does this strike anyone else besides me as little more than magical thinking?

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>balloons, and possibly the ballast and/or transponder that >Cavitt reportedly recovered.

Except where are those "fragments" of burst balloon in the photos? Would Bruce Hutchinson or any other debunker point them out to me? What I actually see in the photos is a relatively intact, still elastic-looking balloon. In fact, the balloon as well as the target were _always_ described as singular by General Ramey and minions in 1947, such as weather officer Newton.

I have also measured the volume of these folded up balloon material, and it works out to shoebox size. It is highly unlikely multiple balloons would be needed to account for this either. Again, the evidence points to a singular balloon.

As for Hutchinson and Cavitt's alleged "transponder" or "ballast," all that was ever said about this was Marcel mentioning Cavitt finding a "black box." The A.F. and Moore have tried to ascribe this item to a radiosonde battery pack. Marcel, even though he was an old and experienced radio ham, had no clue he is dealing with a simple battery pack, which, even if completely encased in something, should have had at least wires or electrical contacts on the surface. The black box, of course, was nary to be seen in the Fort Worth photos. No doubt, these humble alleged batteries, though standard meteorological gear, were also classified super-secret.

The radiosonde powered by the "batteries" was missing along with the accompanying "humidity resistor" (even though all these items were packaged together in the same polyethylene shroud -also missing), as was the alleged sonophone payload and support rings, and all that tough, braided lobster twine used to string the whole mess together. All this disappeared without a trace along with those magical Rawins that flew away without shredding.

But according to the way the balloons trains were configured, these should have all come down together and been found in the same general crash area along with the one magical, clean shredded Rawin and one magical, intact, nonshredded balloon seen in the Fort Worth photos. Furthermore, Marcel and Cavitt supposedly scoured the area looking for other items. And Mack Brazel certainly didn't report anything remotely resembling any of this. E.g., Brazel denied finding any string or wire at all.

As for the ballast gear, that shouldn't have been anywhere close. According to the engineering schematic on Flight #2, a cutoff switch was supposed to ditch the ballast during the balloons' descent phase. The ballast gear should have been smashed to pieces many miles away.

Despite this fact, the A.F. further tried to claim that the plastic tubes holding the sand ballast accounted for Jesse Marcel Jr.'s description of a bakelite-like material mixed into the debris his father brought back to the Marcel house.

Which all goes to prove that if you are allowed to make any assumptions you want and then apply some additional magical thinking and handwaving, then you explain away anything.

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>>Such a balloon could come from anywhere. Hundreds were sent up >>everyday from weather stations all over the country. All it >>would take would be for one person to turn one in amidst the >>national saucer hysteria, and that would account for the balloon >>in the photo. You don't need a Mogul recovery.

>The majority of balloons launched in the late forties were >weather observation systems that were tracked optically. These >'piebald' balloons were pigmented for easy tracking. The >material used on flight four was not pigmented. But even today, >sightings of balloons account for significant number of UFO >reports.

Bruce seems to have pigmented "piebald" on the brain. What he neglects to mention was the also very common radiosonde balloons, consisting of the radiosonde transmitters (and "exotic" battery backs) typically suspended from a non-pigmented, milky white, 350 gram neoprene balloon, exactly the same type of standard meteorological balloon that made of

most of the early Mogul trains.

How common where these? The contiguous 48 states had a net of 84 such stations in July 1947, sending up at least 2 radiosondes every day. That's at least 168 such balloons each and every day or nearly 1200 a week. People were picking these up all the time, sometimes with their still, relatively intact deflated 350 gram balloon. Mack Brazel claimed to have previously found 2 of these on his ranch, hence his disclaimer at the end of his interview that what he found this time wasn't "in any way" like those other two weather balloons.

As for the immediate area, the weather service in Albuquerque sent them up every day (and the White Sands weather station sent them up frequently as well). There were 2 others in Arizona, 6 in Texas, including El Paso, Big Springs, and San Antonio near Fort Worth, all with military bases, and 3 in Oklahoma.

So just in the immediate area, at least 100 of these balloons would be sent up every week. All it would take would be for one radiosonde with deflated balloon to be turned into a local military base near Fort Worth within just days of Roswell, and Ramey could have had his shill, somewhat weathered, deflated balloon then flown in for display.

>Even Mac had recovered piebald balloons in the past.

According to Bessie Brazel Schreiber, the weather balloons they recovered on the ranch had award tags, indicating they were probably radiosondes, not bare "piebald" balloons. If radiosondes, then the lifting balloon, if still present would be identical to those used on Mogul, not a pigmented "piebald" balloon (which weren't all pigmented, BTW).

>But these

>past recoveries had not included foil and sticks. It was not the >balloon material that made the debris unusual, it was the Rawin.

Yeah, yeah. The aluminum foil, balsa wood, Scotch tape, and white paper was just s00000 mysterious. Everybody goes gah, gah at Roswell.

Now let's get serious. Again I toss out the following questions, which remain unaddressed and unanswered by the debunkers. No magical thinking allowed.

1. How did exactly one Rawin end up in Ramey's office, not one scintilla more or less? (Remember, no magical thinking)

2. How could the white paper on the Rawin be so clean after being dragged through the dirt to shred it and then thunderstormed on?

3. How can one possibly account for the complete absence of even a shard of another Rawin? How could the other Mogul Rawins escape completely unscathed while leaving exactly one shredded Rawin behind to be later gathered up into that one bundle by Mack Brazel? (Remember, no magical thinking.)

4. How come there are no "fragments" of multiple popped and shredded balloons in the Fort Worth photos? Why does the balloon material in the photos actually look intact?

5. Why can the balloon material in the photos be accounted for by one balloon with no need for multiple balloons to explain it? Why did Ramey and minions, such as weather officer Newton, always describe it as singular, as they did the radar target? Why does Newton insist to this day that's all there was?

6. Why does the balloon still look flexible, being folded in a pile and showing stretch marks? Supposedly it should be brittle and breaking up into "ash-like" flakes after a month in the sun.

7. Why didn't Ramey display Cavitt's "black box" along with the other debris, the alleged radiosonde "battery box." Nothing classified or mysterious about this, just standard gear on a weather balloon.

8. What happened to all the other payload gear that should have come down together with the Rawins on the Mogul -- items like the radiosonde and sonobuoy supposedly on Flight 4? Not only

aren't these items in the photos, no witness in the field described them either. Why?

9. What happened to the twine tying everything together that should also have been found?

10. Why would the FBI be told that Wright Field disagreed with the assessment of it being a radar target suspended from a balloon? Why would Wright Field disagree? Why would it be necessary to forward the target and balloon on to Wright Field for identification yet again, after Newton's supposedly definitive ID and Ramey's announcement that the special flight to Wright Field was no longer necessary.

11. Can even one item or physical characteristic of the debris shown in Fort Worth clearly indicate it must have come from Mogul instead of being a standard Rawin and meteorological balloon from somewhere else/

To try to answer all these questions with a Mogul crash is literally impossible without the use of magical thinking. You may as well try to pass a camel through the eye of a needle.

Now here's a very simple theory that explains all these details without magical thinking and in a very straightforward way. That alone is a good indication that it is a sound theory.

There is exactly one, clean radar target without twine attached, because that's what they started with. No need to hypothesize other magical Rawins that flew away unscathed or don't get dirty in the dirt and rain or had their twine vanish. They pulled a fresh target off the shelf from somewhere, tore it up, threw the pieces on the ground, and declared that is what was found at Roswell.

There is only one, relatively new, relatively intact, elastic, and nonshredded balloon, because that's also what they started with. Among over a thousand sent up every week throughout the U.S., including a hundred from the immediate geographical area, they located one turned in by some patriotic American to a nearby military base. Being the Air Force, both singular target and balloon could be flown in from nearby in short order.

Wright Field disagreed that it was a radar target and balloon, because something completely different was described to them, hence the need for the special flight to continue. Whatever it was, it certainly wasn't what was shown in the photos. The balloon and radar target got tossed in the garbage after it had served its purpose, as Ramey's FBI & press contact person, intel officer Major Kirton, said they would do.

That explains everything without resorting to incredibly strained logic or magical thinking. They brought in a shill balloon and radar target for a photo op to get the press off their backs, hence the singular balloon and radar target. There is nothing to tie this debris to Mogul, because that is not what was recovered in the field and then flown to Fort Worth. The real Roswell debris, something else entirely, got flown on to Wright Field. Thus no need to re-identify an obvious balloon and radar target.

Curiously that is also exactly what witnesses Marcel and Dubose said happened. Imagine that.

David Rudiak

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Alfred's Odd Ode #355 - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com> Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 06:08:25 -0600 Fwd Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 08:47:41 -0500 Subject: Alfred's Odd Ode #355 - Lehmberg

Apology to MW #355 (For January 23, 2002)

I must defend the beating heart of what one thinks is true, but do it in a way that makes a place for me with you. So, poetry's a song one sings to tell a truth some way. Rhymed lying is impossible, or harder, safe to say... who makes up lying poetry? What audaciousness is that? Few'd take the time to craft a work of crap for toes to tap! Who'd suffer time to make up rhyme that could, to MOCK, be sung, and know if caught, it is the rope they'd use to see him hung...

This song is sung in words of rhyme to make a different sense; it's called a pure expression, unrefined and uncondensed. It's stuff comes out in songs that sing where some words fear to tread. *Stuff* can be expressed where jealous mainstreams flinch in dread! Anomaly might quicken... come to life, and use its sting! Every woman her own princess, every man his honored king? ...And shimmering before us is a step that we can take... that will make us all autonomous, and what teams, then, we _will_ make!

Everything's in levels of a quantum nature, see? Stasis is abhorred and action wants to happen, free! As it happens, *things* will happen if they're happening or not! If *things* happen then they're natural; if they don't...? That's _all_ you've got. So, one must look within ones self to better look "without". There is finding in the looking, and that's all I am about. There is all that one could need that's drawn from _all_ that one could hold; the kingdom _is_ at hand, in fact, but dealt no cards, we fold.

UFOs are present in a multitude of ways that are obvious to anyone with a lick of sense that pays! Recorded in a history (mostly hidden) that we know, they are written down on parchment and composed of ink and stone! They're in portraits and in pictures, and they move on secret films! They're seen by famous witnesses and some witnesses are killed? Dismissing those reports that are as bogus as can be, still leaves, then, many thousands that are righteous, most agree!

...And _that_ destroys, invalidates, and up-ends institutions: our Religious and Political -- Corporate Media mass confusions... All are made well suspect with the way they play their game, with their lying obfuscation, and the way they shift their blame. We're _manipulated_ in a way that suits too few, so that status-quos from yesterday can suck their life from you. If everything one knows is wrong, then what is one to do? Start living more responsibly. You play? Who pays? Be true.

There's more to life than they'd let on, and who the hell were they? They're the privileged arbitrary non-elected holding sway! They are those, that having had, would keep on _having_, friend -- practicing injustice's specious ethics, they'd pretend. They have the information that would credit any ONE, explaining why it's hidden and obscured or dissed and shunned. They manipulate the mainstream and they nurture the mundane; they hide their dark agendas, secret plans, and ill-got gains. They covet the duplicitous, and they profit out of hand from the masses thought beneath them -- these mislead (?), don't understand... I sing these songs to clear my head and dissipate the fog. The relief, perhaps illusion (?), makes for better dialogue. I get communication from more folks that would be free, from that aggregate insulted who aspire off their knees, from folks who feel within their souls, "there must be more to life..." than is dreamt of in *philosophies* that contribute to our, senseless, strife...

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They really are songs. Scat songs. John, Mr. Flynn, and Jim have heard them sung, forgetting that they'd all agree a better voice needs sing them, I'm sure... (though there was that _one_ reported "swoon" <g>). But, songs they are. And songs, most times, tell a kind of truth, don't they? I may _be_ mistaken, but I'm not lying. How does one lie in song?

~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-feebroids.

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Movie Review - The Mothman Prophecies

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Truth' a major creep-out

Geoff Pevere Movie Critic

The Mothman Prophecies AA Starring Richard Gere, Laura Linney, Will Patton, Debra Messing and Alan Bates. Directed by Mark Pellington. At major theatres. ***

Late one night while driving on assignment, widowed Washington Post reporter John Klein (Richard Gere) finds himself in a stalled car near Point Pleasant, WVa. The problem is that Point Pleasant is at least six hours away from D.C. and Klein has arrived there in less than one. The other is that Point Pleasant is not where he was supposed to go in the first place. He's got no idea how he got there.

As a series of inexplicably shuddery episodes, of the kind that give urban legends their kick and programs like The X-Files their longevity, Mark Pellington's The Mothman Prophecies stretches credulity even while it creeps you out. Based on John Keel's cultish 1975 book, which recounted the author's experience of an epidemic of weird events that allegedly occurred in the real Point Pleasant in 1967 - including the disastrous collapse of the Silver City suspension bridge 10 days before Christmas - the movie departs dramatically from the book while trumpeting its basis in "true events."

But if truth in moviemaking was ever dubious, it is surely so here. Departures from the so-called record have been made both in the name of streamlined mass-marketability - whatever the real John Keel, a UPI stringer and not a Post reporter, by the way, may have looked like, one doubts it's Richard Gere - and in the name of actually toning some real weirdness down.

In the movie, for example, Klein - whose wife died under creepy circumstances two years before - decides to stay in Point Pleasant and poke around when he hears (from Laura Linney's conspicuously attractive, conveniently single town cop) that his unaccountable arrival there is merely one of a number of "strange things" that have happened around town recently: people hearing odd things on the phone, seeing winged creatures in their yards, getting zapped in their cars by lights from the sky.

Believe it or not, Keel's original account contained even stranger stuff, including multiple UFO encounters, serial Men In Black sightings and grisly livestock mutilations. All of which qualify the flick as that rarest of Hollywood artefacts: a movie based on a true story that has been toned down because the truth, so to speak, was just too weird.

Besides, what remains is plenty weird and creepy enough.

Even the merest association with anything that might actually have happened contributes to the movie's expertly sustained tone of delicious dread. While I didn't for a minute believe what I was watching actually happened, the simple fact that it was based on something someone claimed actually did happen was enough to keep me from getting too comfortable.

With his previous movie Arlington Road, former music video director Pellington probed the paranoia bubbling just behind the sunny fa=E7ade of all-American suburban contentment: that underrated thriller recalled Blue Velvet inspired by JFK. Here he extends that touch to the small town, to the middle of the night, to winter and to the brink of apocalyptic fundamentalism.

Taking place mostly in cold, empty places after dark, the movie has the vivid but murky quality of a nightmare that won't let you wake up.

As Klein ventures deeper down those whispery corridors of theory, speculation and rumour he begins to hear of the mothmen - portent-bearing creatures of mythic dimensions, winged hell's angels of doom who have flapped dread from above since time immemorial.

It's like the paranoia bubbling over the surface of normality again, except this time what's backed up is downright biblical: America's lurking fear of Judgment. The current of fundamentalist anxiety always courses beneath the corporate big city veneer of business as usual.

As literal truth, The Mothman Prophecies has all the credibility of a creepy urban legend told during a late-night drive along a dark country road. Even though you know what you're hearing probably never happened, and even though it winds up somewhat preposterously, you still find yourself peering nervously into the darkness. The truth, in such cases, is found not in details, but in the shudders they create.

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Re: UFO Congresses - Bordentown, New Jersey -

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[in response to the UFO Congresses announcement, G.T. commented]

>I snipped the whole lot, not unashamedly, but with the >satisfaction of popping a zit, a zit on the body of ufology. >I know some of us may share some sympathies with the views to >be expressed but here is my opinion: In the expressed >interest in accuracy, truth, and scientific effort that needs >to be the formost effort in figuring out just what the heck >_is_ going on. Not some proclimations of peace, love and >space vampires.

>Just how are we to verify some of the claims made. If these >folks have direct communication, ok fine let's see it. I mean >the Trafalmadorian Aerial Demonstration Team preforming over >the Bordentown Days Inn.

>I get so tired of the New Age (it really isn't new) and I >know the press is going to have a field day with this. I >can't wait to see some media type interveiwing some fake >native American or fakir/guru talking about the space >brothers as if he or she has high tea with them at 4:00 pm >each day. Of course the media type will have the usual >X-files or some such music for the theme of the piece. Then >when there is say, a Bruce Maccabee or a Richard Hall or a >Stan Friedman in town, the media type wonders where the >greasepaint and rubber noses are. No such thing as a serious >reasearcher is there - nuyk nuyk nuyk.

Agreed (with a few very minor reservations).

Ufology will have to better define itself, and its standards of evidence, before it can gain respect in the eyes of traditional science. However, I suspect that isn't at the top of the priority list for many of the speakers that were initially listed.

But, as Jenny Randles has pointed out, these UFO Symposiums (or Conventions or Congresses or [insert your favorite term here]) have become entertainment events that are designed to draw a large crowd.

Bruce Maccabbee has in the past held an annual event in the Washington DC area and he had to combined with a Fortean group to combine their resources last year to make ends meet, and they still have very poor attendance.

The annual MUFON Symposium is often developed to draw as many local attendees as possible, which is one reason that the event last year in southern California was top heavy with New Age speakers.

Let's face it, a scientific convention at which statistics and charts are used to show obscure anomalies, or research into historical events that occurred more than three decades ago, Re: UFO Congresses - Bordentown, New Jersey -

would have little interest for most people and I'm not sure you could draw too many to attend. For attendees this is often a form of entertainment, rather than educational.

To be fair, the speakers list that was presented indicated that this was a prelim list and others will likely be added. In the past there have been good speakers at this event in New Jersey, and I trust they'll announce additions as they develop.

This genre needs to focus (IMO), and leave the entertainment side of ufology to itself. If we are unable to focus, this remains a form of entertainment.

Steve

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Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Kaeser

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>Whom and what determines if an abductee is 'bonafide'? I'm >not trying to be confrontational since I consider myself a >cog in that wheel.

>All of these discussions about scientific research and >statistics are based on the assumption that those being >studied are, without a doubt, abductees.

>How is it possible to determine this?

>I have the utmost respect for those that have tackled this dilemma.

>I always get a giggle when I read that "49% of abductees feel >such-and-such" - many of the abductees I know do not talk to >_anyone_ (researchers included). Are these considered >'self-proclaimed' abductees? Perhaps...

>Does having a researcher investigate your case and declare >you "real" make it so? I'd be interested in hearing what >others think...

Let me ask the reverse. How can you show that the claims of these 'abductees' are not true? In other words, if we are to believe the statements of the 'abductees' then we have to take them at face value and develop theories accordingly. If we don't believe their statements, then we should look for an alternative cause and try to convince them of their error. Could you make that judgment call?

This, I believe, one of the problems that researchers face in this. Physical evidence of abductions is very rare, as are multiple witness abductions, so we are (for the most part) left to base this facet of the genre on anecdotal testimony.

But in answer to your direct question, I know of no litmus test that researchers have developed to establish an 'abductee's' validity as an abductee. I believe that most 'abductees' are referred to researchers, so there's a presumption that some sort of event has occurred. John Mack's group was infiltrated by a reporter in this way, which resulted in a highly critical article, so many are more careful today.

Steve

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Re: Roswell Threads - Lehmberg

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>>Dennis,

>>May I make an observation here. What I see in the photos appears
>>to be balloon/target debris. In your post you suggest that it is
>>"the original Roswell stuff." How do you, or I know for a fact
>>that the material laying in Ramey's office was in fact the
>>original stuff that came from Roswell. In fact this stuff
>>(balloon/target material) could have come from most anywhere from
>>base supply.

>>The facts would seem to indicate that at that date and time, in
>>Rameys office a ballon/target was troted out for what we would
>>call today "a photo op" that was designed to get the press off
>>of everybodys back.

>The trouble with trying to think and talk about Roswell is that >almost every researcher has a different Roswell in mind. When >Researcher A talks about Roswell, he or she might have in mind a >Roswell that involved multiple objects and crash sites, alien >bodies, a massive recovery and cover-up, and who knows what >else. Researcher B's Roswell might be a minimalist one, with the >Foster ranch debris field, no fire engines nor bodies, but one >with a press conference in Fort Worth at which a weather balloon >was substituted for the real debris. And so on.

Still, a proliferation of a brouhaha did occur. Still, the existence of this plethora of conflicting testimonies is right out of a covert manual on civil disturbance. Still, the occurrence has the interest of the armed forces and a list of institutional acronyms too numerous to mention. Still the history has had too much of its vital evidence inexplicably erased, or misplaced over the years... Still the whole affair is imbued with too much fulsome fishiness to suit only one with eyes to see and ears to hear... not to put to fine a point on it. The profusion of stories is a symptom of a disease, and not the disease itself.

>If the real Roswell would simply stand up and step forward, life >would be much easier. But it's obvious at this point that that >ain't gonna happen - at least to everyone's satisfaction.

And whose fault is that? You seem to lay the blame at the feet of this conflicted cornucopia of researchers, only, and give no credit to a jealous mainstream that marginalizes the efforts of the best of that breed and ballyhoos the very worst. Who gets the greater mainstream push? Posner or Marrs? Oberg or Hall? Shermer or Rudiak? >It has to be said (and I realize this isn't a popular position) >that part of the blame for the confusing picture we have needs >to be laid at the feet of the original writers on the subject. >All sorts of spurious testimony crept into the arena that never >should have been allowed in in the first place.

Well - I reject this out of hand. It is the efforts of these men and women, only, that have remotely gotten any air to this thing at all. That mistakes may have been made does not detract in any way from the core of this inexplicable tale, which, even untrue, does nothing to detract from an _otherwise_obvious_!

>In their defense, though, this is the way research proceeds: two >steps forward and one step back. But it's a little bit like the >correction of the front page headline that gets buried on page >16 of the next day's paper: too little, too late.

Actually - it is exactly that. All agree that each are front page news. Expand the metaphor and consider the page-16 story that should be five inch banner headlines on the front page... but then you're not going to get a lot from a pack of media corporate lap dogs, are you.

>The end result >is that there are a lot more Roswells running around out there >than there should have been.

And I ask again? Whose fault is that? I've got to lay it at the feet of the suspicious, suspect, and specious mainstream.

>One thing I have never "liked" about even the bare bones Roswell >is the paucity of variety in the debris described. At the most >we're talking about four or five types - beams, foil, maybe some >threads and some Bakelite-like stuff. This does not like a >spaceship sound.

I don't believe that any of us have a clue what the recovered material was beyond the testimony that the material covered a big area, gouged the ground (?), surprised at least two exceptionally competent witnesses, and was held in the hands of a sober, professional, and highly educated man alive today.

>Admittedly, a comparison to known terrestrial technology might >not be the soundest approach, but it's the only one we have. >Imagine, if you can, a B-1 or B-2 bomber coming apart overhead. >You would literally find hundreds, if not thousands, of >different types of debris, not to mention body parts.

As admitted later, you make a big assumption regarding what you think a spaceship should be, and forget that your ho-hum reality appears to be a magic kingdom utopia to an average man of just a hundred years ago... and a few living today.

>Maybe at some point in the distant future flying machines get >vastly simpler, rather than more complex, from what we have >today -- I just can't bring myself to imagine how.

I suspect that shortly you're going to have to bring yourself to imagine a lot more that that. Hell - just the last decade is testiment.

>Nor can I
>wrap my mind around the presumed assumption that material
>capable of surviving space travel would somehow come apart so
>completely as is usually described by Roswell witnesses,
>typically without mention of scorch or fire marks.

Who says it has to survive space travel? I can shield myself from a billion volts with a tin-foil cape (matching cap optional), maybe that's all that's required.

>Depending, of >course, on which particular Roswell you're referring to.

That would be the one that most sticks in the craw.

>This is why I personally have no problem applying Occam's Razor >and subscribing to the most minimal Roswell of them all ->Project Mogul. Whether one agrees or not, Mogul was in the area, >could have come down on the Foster ranch, could have been what >was recovered, shipped to Fort Worth, and photographed on >Ramey's floor. It's simple, neat, and straightforward, with no >need of cover ups, switching of material, and vast conspiracies.

Still, better men than us have pointed out the evidence of a very real conspiracy regardless, and given just a straightforward weighing of conflicting citations from their detractors (?) the conspiracy therorists are, by far and away, more convincing than their opposition. The conspiracy is real enough for simple psychological reasons. Pretending it's not there just increases the likelyhood of it.

>How can I explain all the anecdotal testimony that argues >otherwise? That's easy, too. I can't. But I can't explain why >Glenn Dennis is still sticking to his nurse story, either - nor, >indeed, why he came up with it in the first place.

...and that's a tempest in a teapot anyway, and not near as interesting as the aspects of Roswells historical slate wiped inexplicably clean...

>Finally, there's the 'what if' test. What if we had really
>recovered the remains of an extraterrestrial spaceship near
>Roswell in 1947? Would history have played out the way it has? I
>think the argument can be made that it wouldn't have - that
>there would be visible footprints in both government and
>military policy at large that I just don't see any convincing
>evidence of.

Forgetting for a moment that an assumption of science fiction is required to agree with you, this point _is_ hard to contest. Still, there is the technological spike that occured right after 1947, and it is not the visible footprints that should concern us as much as the worrisome invisible ones.

>By way of but one large example, I don't think the Cold War >would have unfolded as it did had we actually had knowledge of a >spaceship from another planet as early as 1947. But that's >another e-mail.

And a comfortable way to feel, assuredly, but given all the other historical, photographic, and quality anecdotal evidence, is it valid? There's plenty going on even if Roswell is complete claptrap, which, as shown by the amount of impassioned discussion it busily generates, demonstrates that it is assuredly not.

>In the meantime, that's my Roswell, and I'm sticking to it.

Regardless? <g>.

>Everyone else is welcome to theirs. Bodies and all.

Some "body" knows. <g>.

<u>Lehmberg</u>@snowhill.com ~~=D6~~

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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, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark

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>>>Subject: Quote From John Keel About 'Current Ufology'

Hi, Chris,

>>>>Further to various discussions about Keel and Coleman and Barker >>>>in the context of the new Mothman movie, I found the following >>>>statement by Keel quoted by Barker in The Silver Bridge (the >>>original book about Mothman, published in 1970). The interview >>>took place in 1966.

>>>"I suspect that the UFO buffs and many of the serious
>>>researchers like yourself have allowed themselves to be misled
>>>and diverted by the controversies and nonsense surrounding this
>>>subject.

>(But I believe we would have to concede this point.)

I think John Keel has contributed his share of controversy and nonsense to this subject, probably more so than many. This is really a case of the pot's calling the kettle black.

>>As someone intimately familiar, from long experience and exposure, >>with Keel's writings, methods, and personality, I agree completely with >>Dick. To be blunt about it, I'm shocked that Chris, for whom I have >>the greatest respect, represents John Keel as a rational critic of >>ufology.

>That's funny, I don't recall describing Keel as such. I thought >my post was quite clear. I simply found the quote within The >Silver Bridge, a volume much in demand today with the release of >the Mothman movie, and asked the question of its relevance to >ufology today, whether it was either more or less significant.

I was, and remain, surprised that you chose to quote Keel to make a point, implicitly elevating him to the rank of rational critic. In fact, Keel comes with an enormous amount of intellectual and other baggage, and his own role in UFO history is, at best, an intensely controversial one. If you sought to make a point about ufology's failings, in my opinion you should used your own words - which would, given your well-earned reputation for sober intelligence and general thoughtfulness, be taken seriously by nearly everybody. Either that, or you could have cited someone whose authority to address the issue is less open to dispute than Keel's.

>My other point was actually to show that The Silver Bridge is >the book more closely aligned with the movie's sensational >approach, rather than Keel's later work.

It should be noted that The Silver Bridge is essentially a novel. The Mothman Prophecies - not to mention Keel's work generally - is fairly sensational in itself. Not necessarily Keel's fault, of course; this stuff is sensational by its very nature.

Jerry Clark

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Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Sandow

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>Whom and what determines if an abductee is 'bonafide'? I'm not >trying to be confrontational since I consider myself a cog in >that wheel.

>All of these discussions about scientific research and >statistics are based on the assumption that those being studied >are, without a doubt, abductees.

>How is it possible to determine this?

Michelle is right -- this is a real problem in research. We have many people who say they're abductees. Some of them work with researchers, who of course differ greatly among themselves, and make differing judgements about who's likely to be an abductee.

Various studies have been made (usually with pyschological tests) of people who say they're abductees. But nobody, to my knowledge, has studied (a) if there's any measurable difference (in demographics, for example, or test results) between people who say they're abductees and people who don't say that. or (b) between people who say they're abductees and work with researchers, and people who say they're abductees but don't do that. For that matter, there might be differences among people who say they're abductees and work with various researchers, but that, too, hasn't been studied (though it's widely assumed, for instance, that abductees who work with John Mack have a positive view of their abductions, while people who work with Budd Hopkins don't).

Very frustrating!

Greg Sandow

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'Mothman' Sightings Will Continue

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'Mothman' sightings will continue

By Stephen Schaefer, USA TODAY

Until now, the Mothman has been known only to a devoted, cultlike few. That's certain to change with The Mothman Prophecies, out Friday and starring Richard Gere. The otherworldly 7-foot, red-eyed, winged apparition known as Mothman might even become a pop-culture totem, like Big Foot.

John A. Keel's The Mothman Prophecies is based on paranormal events the author experienced and studied in Point Pleasant, W.Va., in 1966-67, while writing about UFOs for Playboy. It's not giving away too much to say the residents were hearing and seeing things, culminating in a bridge collapse that cost 46 lives.

Because the thriller is advertised as "based on true events," Keel, Mothman director Mark Pellington and Mothman expert Loren Coleman (featured at 10 ET/PT Wednesday night on the FX channel documentary Searching for the Mothman) reveal the "truths" behind the film.

"Maybe we should have said 'inspired by true events'", a cheerful Pellington says.

Says Coleman, who has published a book [Mothman and Other Curious Encounters, NY: Paraview, 2002]

http://www.amazon.com/exec/obidos/ASIN/1931044341/

on the "dark and sinister" subject: "Pellington's made it a psychological thriller and not a monster movie. With this movie, Point Pleasant will become like Roswell and explode with tourism."

In the film, Washington Post reporter John Klein, played by Gere, investigates the strange goings-on.

"That's fiction," Pellington says.

But a few truths are out there:

* Frightened teens. "That came right out of the book," Pellington says. "Keel describes two kids who had sex who felt this thing attack them."

Says Coleman, who interviewed one of them: "A huge creature about 7 feet tall with huge wings and red eyes shuffled toward

them, they ran to the car, and at 100 mph drove back to Point Pleasant. They could see the creature flapping right behind them."

* Sad sack. Will Patton (TV's The Agency) plays a man going nuts from his encounters with the Mothman, who takes the form of Gere's Klein. "He's invented, a composite of two of the major witnesses who had intense Mothman manifestations," Pellington says. "Like Alan Bates says to Klein in the film, 'It's perception, John. They appear differently to everybody. A man, a voice, a light, a monster.' That I wrote."

* The scientist. Bates (Gosford Park) plays Alexander Leek, driven mad by his Mothman encounter. Leek is fictional, but the name is a clue: It's Keel spelled backward.

Says Keel, 72: "The book tells what happened to me. Alan Bates gives a Keel speech, almost word for word, of what I've been saying for years."

* The tragedy. As for the Silver Bridge collapse, "that happened in 1967," Pellington says. "It was explained as metal fatigue. Once the bridge came down, the phone calls and sightings stopped. That's why it became legendary and why people blamed a force."

Coleman says that is fiction. "Sightings continue."

The real Keel, unlike Gere's Klein, was nowhere near the bridge that day. "I knew the exact time it was going to happen, but you couldn't warn anyone because it might cause a panic, and it might not be true."

He knew because "I was getting these damned mysterious phone calls, just like in the movie."

The film has 36 people dying, not 46, but the studio didn't "want to kill too many," Pellington says. "My father's football number was 36, and 40 was too many."

Photo: Melissa Moseley, AP

Dan Callahan, left, and Richard Gere in The Mothman Prophecies, opening in theaters Friday.

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West Virginia Town Buzzing About 'Mothman'

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West Virginia Town Buzzing About 'Mothman'

POINT PLEASANT, W.V. (Wireless Flash) -- Local merchants in the town of Point Pleasant, West Virginia, are seeing a rise in tourism thanks to the new Richard Gere movie "The Mothman Prophecies" -- opening Friday (Jan. 25).

The town is home to the legendary Mothman, and Ruth Finley, owner of the Lowe Hotel, says a lot more tourists are visiting specifically to search for the strange creature that's haunted the town for centuries.

She says town leaders are selling Mothman beanie babies, and there are plans to erect a Mothman museum and fudge shops.

But not everyone is thrilled about the Mothman tourist frenzy, according to Loren Coleman, who documented Mothman sightings for his book "Mothman and Other Curious Encounters" (Paraview Press).

Coleman claims many Mothman eyewitnesses who spoke out about the creature in the past are now so afraid of being further ridiculed that they have either moved or shut off phone service.

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Wolf Files On Mothman

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The Selling of Mothman A Small Town Hopes to Make Big Bucks Off a Winged Monster

By Buck Wolf

Jan. 22 -- Move over, Bigfoot. See ya, Sasquatch. America's new No. 1 monster this year is destined to be Mothman.

STORY HIGHLIGHTS 'He's Our Monster' Batman Inspires Mothman

The flying, blood-eyed, 7-foot-tall monster that once terrorized Point Pleasant, W.Va., chasing cars and mutilating animals, is making a comeback. He's out to fill Bigfoot's big shoes - especially at the cash register.

The Mothman Prophecies, starring Richard Gere, opens in theaters Jan. 25, and that might be the best thing in the paranormal tourism business since the Loch Ness Monster backstroked to Scotland.

Get ready for Mothman Beanie Babies, T-shirts and Christmas ornaments. One West Virginia man has already sold Sony Pictures on a Mothman Internet game.

'He's Our Monster'

"He's our monster, so we want to make money off him," says Hilda Austin, executive director of the Point Pleasant Chamber of Commerce. "We don't want anyone stealing our thunder."

People used to run from ghosts. But these days, people run to ghosts. Monsters are good for business, and if your hotel is haunted, all the better.

Only a few years ago, The Blair Witch Project had folks flocking to Burkittsville, Md., where the hit horror film is set. Local officials complained that thrill-seekers were snatching up road signs and vandalizing tombstones.

The obsession reached such heights that the mayor offered this exasperated message on her voice mail: "This is the town office, Burkittsville, Maryland. If this is in regards to The Blair Witch Project, it is fiction."

But Burkittsville, a tiny hamlet of 200 people, wised up to the fast-buck mentality. Previously unemployed locals quickly found a place in a burgeoning tourist business, selling "witch-chaser" bags filled with smooth stones, garlic cloves and lavender sprigs.

Now, Point Pleasant, an Appalachian town of 6,000 near the Ohio border, is looking for an unlikely hero in the form of a huge, hideous moth. That's pretty amazing, considering the legend.

Between 1966 and 1967, dozens of people came forward to claim they'd seen a giant man-bird with red, hypnotic eyes.

The first reports were from two young couples. Almost immediately, others came forward. Authorities found it harder to slough off each new monster sighting, and a media sensation was born.

Batman Inspires Mothman

The Batman TV show inspired a local newspaper copy editor to dub the creature "Mothman." Had this come a few years later, the creature may have been called "Big Bird", although a flying Bigfoot spotted on Washington state's Mount Rainier has been dubbed "Batsquatch" (not Batboy).

Writer John A. Keel later speculated that the sightings might even point to an alien visitation. His book, upon which the movie is based, documents a rash of UFO reports, alleged poltergeist activities, Men-in-Black harassments, unexplained animal slaughterings, and other strange activity.

"There were so many unusual occurrences in a short, 13-month burst.", says Loren Coleman, author of Mothman and Other Curious Encounters (Paraview Press). "What's amazing is, if you speak to the people today, their lives have changed. Some changed jobs. Some moved. Some got divorced."

"Whatever happened to these people, they were terrified."

The last time people saw Mothman was when Point Pleasant's Silver Bridge collapsed on Dec. 15, 1967, killing 46 people. Some even say the strange creature sounded a rodent-like squeal to warn of the disaster.

Even today, Mothman isn't a joke in Point Pleasant.

But we all must come to terms with the past. And now, the monster is fodder for local souvenirs.

"Let's face it, if we don't do it, someone else will," says Austin. "We're the home of Mothman, and we're proud."

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Based On True-Life Story - Is Story For Real?

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MOVIES

Based on a True-Life Story, but Was That Story for Real?

A West Virginia town's encounter with the unexplained inspires 'The Mothman Prophecies'.

By LORENZA MU=D10Z, Times Staff Writer

The local headlines screamed: "Couples See Man-Sized Bird... Creature... Something!" "Monster No Joke for Those Who Saw It," "Gigantic, Fuzzy Bird Chases Auto in Storm."

No, this was not a Samuel Arkoff B-horror production. This was real - or possibly real anyway.

The time was 1966 in Point Pleasant, W.Va., and something very strange was happening. More than 100 people reported seeing a 9-foot-tall, black, winged creature with glowing red eyes. Some said it spoke to them and forewarned of an impending disaster in their town, a small farming community at the intersection of the Ohio and Kanawha rivers. One year later, their worst fears were realized when the bridge over the Ohio River, connecting Point Pleasant to Ohio, collapsed and 47 people died.

"Mothman" - as the beast was known by locals - was never seen or heard from again.

"There are a lot of people who just don't want to talk about it anymore, either because they are traumatized or they don't want the press attention," said Jeff Wamsley, a Point Pleasant native and author of "Mothman: The Facts Behind the Legend." "People were pretty much scared out of their wits."

In mid-November 1966, Mothman burst into the region's consciousness in a prominently placed story.

The story of this strange season in Point Pleasant was chronicled by journalist John A. Keel in his 1975 book "The Mothman Prophecies."

The book is now a movie.

"The Mothman Prophecies," a \$42-million Sony Screen Gems release that opens Friday, stars Richard Gere as a crusading Washington Post journalist named John Klein who, through a personal tragedy, finds himself in Point Pleasant. He gradually becomes embroiled in the town's strange sightings until he reaches a point of obsession and near lunacy. Although the real story occurred in the 1960s, the movie is set in contemporary times. The film also stars Laura Linney (who was paired with Gere in the 1996 thriller "Primal Fear") and "Will & Grace's" Debra Messing.

Screenwriter Richard Hatem ("Under Siege 2: Dark Territory") had been fascinated by science fiction and the paranormal since childhood. But it was not until one night in the spring of 1997 that he was pulled into the Mothman world.

During a bout with insomnia, he found himself in a Pasadena bookstore. He saw "The Mothman Prophecies" on the shelf, picked it up and soon enough was sitting cross-legged on the floor reading the book. He read through the night. By the next day, he was on the phone with author Keel and began writing the screenplay.

Hatem based two characters on Keel. Gere plays the younger, cockier journalist, while Alan Bates plays an older, wiser and spooked professor who at one time also witnessed a paranormal event.

By 1998, Lakeshore Entertainment (producers of "The Gift," "Runaway Bride") bought the rights to the script and began a two-year development process. But Hatem's vision for the film remained intact.

"Most Hollywood movie ghosts make their presence known to help us get back together with our girlfriends," said Hatem. "I wanted to write a story that said you can ask questions about why things happen, but they are the sort of things that we are never going to get an answer to. This was a movie about dealing with something that human beings will never be equipped to understand."

Director Mark Pellington ("Arlington Road") was not interested in making a "monster movie." Rather, he wanted a film about the psychology of belief.

"Could this be a man? A voice? A light or a monster?" Pellington said. "Many of these things we don't answer. That was the appeal to me, the ambiguity and the unanswered questions. We wanted to play it straight and strip out any melodrama or kookiness."

A sketch of Mothman, made by an eyewitness in rural West Virginia. In all, more than 100 people reported seeing the creature.

Keel, who has seen the movie, said he thought "Richard Gere does a great job of gradually going nuts." Now 72 and still writing books and articles from his home in New York City, he says: "I didn't go nuts, but I was very upset. When the bridge collapsed, it was pretty distressing.... I was determined I was going to find the answers to this. As it progressed, I became more and more baffled. It took a long time for me to realize that I was dealing with something that the human mind could not understand. There are many things that we will never know."

Indeed, nobody knows what those people saw on those dark West Virginia nights. But for the folks who say they saw the strange, malevolent creature - whatever it was - their lives were never the same.

It began in mid-November 1966, when two couples, parked at an old World War II munitions dump site that the locals called TNT, say they were chased by a large creature. They reported the incident to the police, and the sightings continued from there. Some said the creature chased them to the ground. Others suffered from bleeding eyes after reportedly seeing it. Many never slept well again. It did not help to calm fears when the town's investigative reporter Mary Hyre, who had devoted much ink to the Mothman, died suddenly.

One theory is that people saw a huge sandhill crane that veered off course. Another is that it was a giant, mutated owl. And others say the people in Point Pleasant succumbed to mass hysteria.

"I believe that some people saw something. It was probably a bird," said Hilda Austin, 58, who lived through the Mothman sightings and is currently the head of the Point Pleasant Chamber of Commerce. "Some of it was just hoax. It could have

been something spawned by the toxic ground from the TNT area. Some of the eyewitnesses were on drugs. I thought it was a hoot [when this happened]; everyone just sort of laughed at this. They just thought it was preposterous."

But others, like cryptozoologist and author Loren Coleman, said there is a history of this kind of lore in the Ohio River Valley. The Native American tribes of the area had a long history of chronicling stories about Thunderbirds - large "bird-man" figures that were always harbingers of woe.

"A lot of people want to make fun of Mothman because it's poor, white Appalachia people [talking about it], but I try to put it into context," said Coleman, who wrote the book "Mothman and Other Curious Encounters." "The Iroquois and the Tuscarora and the Wyandot tribes called them flying heads and big heads. They were exactly like the Mothman - headless creatures with big red eyes."

David Grabias, who was hired by the studio to make a Mothman documentary that will air on the FX channel today, said he was convinced the locals saw something frightful.

"When I first heard about it, I thought, 'Oh, it's West Virginia and these are a bunch of hicks drinking too much hooch in the mountains,'" said Grabias, who produced the Emmy-nominated documentary "Why Dogs Smile and Chimpanzees Cry."

"But the more people we talked to, the more we felt a sense that there was a feeling of something strange and to let sleeping dogs lie. The people were very believable."

Pellington says that Mothman follows a pattern of the unexplained, which makes rational, modern society ill at ease.

"I believe in things greater than us that are unexplained," he said. "The mysteries of life are so profound; that is why this legend and other kinds of mythology exist. I feel it keeps us human."

Many locals were upset that the movie was not filmed in Point Pleasant itself. It was shot in Kittanning, Penn., because it was a large enough town to accommodate cast and crew. In addition, Pellington needed to shut down the local bridge for two months during filming - something the economy in Point Pleasant could not sustain.

Instead of running from the Mothman legacy, Point Pleasant locals are embracing it. A thriving port city at the turn of the century, Point Pleasant has been suffering from a slow economy for many years. Without jobs, most of the young people leave to find a better way of life.

Mothman, they are hoping, will bring them better fortunes.

The Chamber of Commerce sold Mothman Christmas ornaments this year. Another local created Mothman beanbag toys, which sold like hotcakes, according to Austin.

They don't seem to fear being placed in the pantheon of strange places like Roswell, N.M., or Loch Ness, Scotland.

"We are hoping that it will do something that will help our economy," said Austin.

"We don't understand what the fascination is. This new popularity of the Mothman started before the movie.... We don't care, we just hope it will help us out."

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>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto"<ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 12:44:40 -0500

>>From: Michelle Guerin <<u>NYMush@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 18:34:09 EST
>>Subject: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Whom and what determines if an abductee is 'bonafide'? I'm not >>trying to be confrontational since I consider myself a cog in >>that wheel.

>>All of these discussions about scientific research and >>statistics are based on the assumption that those being studied >>are, without a doubt, abductees.

>>How is it possible to determine this?

>Michelle is right -- this is a real problem in research. We have >many people who say they're abductees. Some of them work with >researchers, who of course differ greatly among themselves, and >make differing judgements about who's likely to be an abductee.

>Various studies have been made (usually with pyschological >tests) of people who say they're abductees. But nobody, to my >knowledge, has studied (a) if there's any measurable difference >(in demographics, for example, or test results) between people >who say they're abductees and people who don't say that. or (b) >between people who say they're abductees and work with >researchers, and people who say they're abductees but don't do >that. For that matter, there might be differences among people >who say they're abductees and work with various researchers, but >that, too, hasn't been studied (though it's widely assumed, for >instance, that abductees who work with John Mack have a positive >view of their abductions, while people who work with Budd >Hopkins don't).

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New Hampshire Visited Again

From: **UFO UpDates - Toronto** Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 03:02:13 -0500 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 03:02:13 -0500 Subject: New Hampshire Visited Again

Source: Rockingham News - Plaistow, New Hampshire

http://www.coaststar.com/news/rock/r1_25d.htm

Area UFO sightings not yet identified by officials

By Jeff Kaplan, rockinghamnews@seacoastonline.com

FREMONT -- Unidentified flying objects are not unusual in Rockingham County. At an increasing pace over the last decade, UFOs have been sighted performing a gymnast's repertoire of aerial maneuvers. The Web site <u>www.ufopage.com</u> lists 33 documented sightings since 1995.

Last Thursday New Hampshire may have been visited again.

At 10:04 p.m. Fremont Police Officer H.D. Wood was dispatched to Main Street to investigate a report of two objects hovering silently in the air. The objects were described as "bright and full of lights," according to the police report.

Wood had been on these calls before, though his department lacks any protocol to follow and the police academy does not train cadets for these situations.

"Quite frankly, I don't believe we have a policy as to how to handle this kind of thing," Wood said. "I guess it's common sense, really."

Wood said the witness was describing the actions of the UFOs as he was en route. The witness described the objects as hovering silently in the air. The larger of the two objects flew south toward Sandown. The smaller object flew north toward Brentwood. They were gone when Wood, assisted by a Brentwood police officer, pulled up.

"We arrived on the scene and (the witness) said, 'I'm not crazy. I'm not on drugs,'" Wood recalled.

He said the witness and the witness's wife and daughter all saw the objects. The witness claimed a passing motorist also saw the event but didn't stop.

Wood investigated the area, saw no evidence the snow had been disturbed and wrote his report. Without other witnesses or any physical indication of a visitation, Wood said he considers the case closed.

"In my mind, if it's substantiated, you call the FAA to see if there are any reports of aircraft in the area," Wood said. "Then you call other dispatch centers to see if they've gotten calls, because what happens is, if something is sighted, everyone is going to call."

Wood said his first reaction when he received the call was to seek background on the caller.

"To be honest, when I did get the call I did pull up my laptop to see if we'd had any previous contact at this address," Wood New Hampshire Visited Again

said.

He describes himself as a skeptic, but said he absolutely believes the witness did see something.

"I was skeptical at first," he said. "Then I listened to the person discuss the issue and they were very adamant that they saw something."

Fremont Police Chief Neal Janvrin was an officer with the Exeter Police Department on Sept. 3, 1965, the day of New Hampshire's most notorious UFO sighting, an incident that became the subject of a book, "Incident at Exeter." That day would be a significant date in history for believers in alien visitations. It is rare that a police officer can substantiate a sighting, but on this day two of Janvrin's fellow officers, Dave Hunt and Gene Bertrand, as well as many civilians, would report seeing a large, elliptical object with red lights around it. The object reportedly moved between houses and trees while the lights blinked in sequence.

Janvrin said he's been on UFO calls before, but he's never seen a UFO himself. Janvrin said the only thing an officer can do is take a report.

"Obviously, if we get there and we see something we would try and photograph it," he said. "If there was some sign of disturbance we would record it."

Janvrin said he doesn't consider himself a non-believer, but does not have enough evidence to say he is a believer.

"You look up in the sky and you see all the suns and every sun has so many planets. I guess the possibility does exist. We're on this planet," he said.

He added that Hunt and Bertrand's experience gives him pause to reconsider.

"They were two guys who I worked with and I trusted," Janvrin said.

[UFO UpDates thanks <u>www.anomalist.com</u> for the lead]

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Secrecy News -- 01/25/02

From: **Steven Aftergood** <<u>saftergood@fas.org></u> Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 12:37:37 -0500 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:11:08 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/25/02

SECRECY NEWS from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy Volume 2002, Issue No. 9 January 25, 2002

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SECRECY IN GENETICS

The first systematic study of secrecy in academic science found that geneticists often refuse to disclose the data underlying their research or to respond to other requests for information from fellow scientists.

"Forty-seven percent of geneticists who asked other faculty for additional information, data, or materials regarding published research reported that at least 1 of their requests had been denied in the preceding 3 years," according to the new study, published this week in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

"Because they were denied access to data, 28% of geneticists reported that they had been unable to confirm published research."

The study proposed a variety of explanations for this phenomenon. In particular, "The commercial applications of genetics research, along with increasing dependence on industry funding and the rise of commercial norms in the academy, may be partially responsible."

Explanations aside, secrecy remains a deviation from sound scientific conduct.

"The free and open sharing of information, data, and materials regarding published research is vital to the replication of published results, the efficient advancement of science, and the education of students. Yet in daily practice, the ideal of free sharing is often breached," the authors stated.

"Additional measures to improve openness of communication in genetics and the sharing of published information, data and materials seem justified," they concluded.

"Data Withholding in Academic Genetics: Evidence from a National Survey" by Eric G. Campbell, et al, is "the first detailed, systematic, quantitative portrait of the phenomenon of data withholding in genetics or any other field of academic investigation."

A summary of the new paper is available here:

http://jama.ama-assn.org/issues/v287n4/abs/joc11433.html

Befitting the subject matter, the authors promptly responded to

a request for further information.

ACKNOWLEDGING GARFINKEL

The retirement of Steven Garfinkel, director of the Information Security Oversight Office (ISOO) for the last couple of decades, was noted by Rep. Constance Morella in a statement in the Congressional Record yesterday.

Public servants come and go, and unless they really screw up, most people outside of their immediate working environment will never know their name.

But Garfinkel's positive impact on government secrecy policy has been so far out of proportion to the relative obscurity of his position that some greater recognition is demanded.

"His expertise has allowed him to create a system that has produced the largest number of declassified pages in the history of the Government's program--more than 800 million," said Rep. Morella. "This system will provide researchers and historians with new information that will help write our Nation's history for years to come." See:

http://www.fas.org/sqp/congress/2002/garf.html

Garfinkel's ISOO colleagues and friends have organized a celebration in his honor in Washington on January 30.

A BIOGRAPHY OF GENERAL GROVES

A new biography of General Leslie R. Groves, who led the Manhattan Project in the development of the atomic bomb, argues among other things that Groves was instrumental in the creation of what would come to be called the "national security state," with its strict controls on official information.

"Racing for the Bomb" by nuclear historian Robert S. Norris will be published shortly by Steerforth Press and is available for purchase now. For more information see:

http://www.steerforth.com/books/racing for the bomb.htm

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Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 16:26:41 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:19:12 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Lehmberg

>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99</u>@hotmail.com>
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 19:12:25 +0000

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Hynek likened it to a spectrograph on page 21 of his 'The UFO Experience'. One would not use a spectrograph that has not been validated to observe a distant galaxy and then trust the results of that observation. The unvalidated spectrometer might just be capable of creating entertaining but inaccurate smears of separated light... but a validated instrument would be trusted without question because its calibration has been assured. Do we have instruments to trust? I think we must. Way out on the periphery of this thing, I feel I know three.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com

~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. <u>http://www.alienview.net</u>

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put

Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Lehmberg

one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Meier-Case Photos On Website

From: Jim Deardorff <<u>deardorj@proaxis.com</u>> Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 16:09:28 -0800 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:27:18 -0500 Subject: Meier-Case Photos On Website

Hello List,

I've posted on my website some of the Meier-case film-frames and still photos whose analyses don't require the original film or color slides to arrive at definitive conclusions.

For example, I've posted the film/video frame at the time of the UFO's jump from one position to another, and adjacent frames also, in:

http://www.tjresearch.info/bachtel.htm

Some of you may never have seen the one frame that shows the craft in two positions at once. I've examined the clouds in the background during this sequence in order to estimate how long a time period (circa 15 secs) hoaxers would have had in which to reposition a couple UFO models (and subsequently cut and splice film), before the cloud pattern would have changed significantly. In the same file I show one of the frames in which the craft is partially eclipsed behind the brow of the hill.

I've also looked into the better known still-picture series in which 3 photos show a craft in front of the sun and in line with the edge of a tree, and point out the nefarious means by which Kal Korff tried to debunk them. That's in:

http://www.tjresearch.info/hasenbol.htm

There I also show, and discuss, some of the other pictures in that 34-slide series that you may not have seen.

And then I've gone into greater depth on the photo series in which a craft posed for Meier on all sides of a fir tree that's at a considerable distance from the camera. Some of us discussed this particular case on the list a year or two ago, but in the website file I pictorially as well as textually indicate the obvious differences between a mature fir tree and a potted tree or model tree. That's in:

http://www.tjresearch.info/moretree.htm

There I also point out where Korff's assumptions were off base.

In addition, I've added a file on "plausible deniability," which looks into the implications of how the UFO phenomenon could have gone on some 55 years, with hundreds of thousands of valid sightings, without the aliens ever staying around long enough for many news media to converge on the scene and show the world, etc., or without ever having left enough unconfiscated evidence behind that would convince scientists of its reality. And there I've discussed why and how Meier's aliens would have needed to similarly provide "plausible deniability" so that skeptics would be able to latch onto it if they needed to. That's in:

http://www.tjresearch.info/denial.htm

There topics are introduced in the file:

Meier-Case Photos On Website

http://www.tjresearch.info/ufology.htm .

I welcome critical or substantive comments, but may not reply to the other kind.

Regards,

Jim Deardorff

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John Alexander's Review Mothman Prophecies

From: Colm Kelleher <nids@anv.net>
Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 15:48:45 -0800
Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:29:32 -0500
Subject: John Alexander's Review Mothman Prophecies

Some readers may be interested in the review by John Alexander of the Mothman Prophecies movie. It has just been posted to the NIDS web site and may have some relevance to some recent posts on UFO UpDates.

http://www.nidsci.org/articles/alexander/mothman.html

Sincerely

Colm Kelleher NIDS http://www.nidsci.org

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Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 19:44:46 -0600
Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:31:29 -0500
Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Stacy

>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark</u>@frontiernet.net>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark
>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 10:25:16 -0600

>>From: Chris Rutkowski <<u>rutkows</u>@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 14:35:10 CST
>>Subject: Subject: Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology

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>I think John Keel has contributed his share of controversy and >nonsense to this subject, probably more so than many. This is >really a case of the pot's calling the kettle black.

<snip>

Jerry, Chris, et al

I think someone should post the first sentence or two or graf of The Mothman Prophecies here. I'd do it myself, but my copy is presently in storage and/or passage.

But talk about your purple UFO prose!

It doesn't get any better.

I just hope Hollywood paid Keel for his time.

Dennis Stacy

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Mothman & Looney Tunes 'Gossamer'

From: **GT McCoy** <<u>gtmccoy</u>@harborside.com> Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 00:29:33 -0800 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:38:59 -0500 Subject: Mothman & Looney Tunes 'Gossamer'

Hello all,

At:

http://www.animationusa.com/wb34.html

is an example of 50's vintage Bugs Bunny being chased by 'Gossamer', an alien-critter that was part of Marvin The Martian's menagerie. Any resemblence to Mothman obviously is a product of creator Chuck Jones' mind.

GT McCoy

'Acme' a name you can trust -- Anon

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New At 'Lost Haven'

From: Roy Hale <<u>roy.hale@ntlworld.com</u>> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 05:07:05 -0000 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:46:41 -0500 Subject: New At 'Lost Haven'

Hi All,

I have just updated my UFO section on the Lost Haven, you can find it by clicking:

http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk/Articles.shtml

I am now selling a few UFO books on the site.

I also take pleasure in informing you about a new web site devoted to UFO sightings etc. around India. The site-owner is a great guy, and I think he is going to be a common name among UFO researchers around the world in the next year or so. Prashant Solomon is his name.

I feel that Prashant has his work cut out for him, and I also think it is an interesting and great development, for UFO research world wide. Once again, it reinforces the fact, that UFO sightings do not just stem from the USA & Europe!

Once you are on my UFO page Click the UFO India Banner to reach the site.

I have two articles on the UFO India site, which are also on the Lost Haven.

Roy Hale Web Master of The Lost Haven <u>http://www.thelosthaven.co.uk</u> Editor of Down To Earth Magazine

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 01:54:30 EST Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:50:24 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Gates

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 23:02:08 EST
>Subject: Mogul Shredded [was: Roswell Threads]
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

Hi David,

An excellent post that was well done!! I eagerly await the response from the skeptics using non-magical thinking..... However I suspect that they will use magical thinking and try and sell us on the fact that it is not.

I always thought the Mogul theory was deflated to begin with!

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 02:10:57 EST Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 10:52:26 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Stacy

>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 12:51:40 -0600 >Subject: Re: Roswell Threads >From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy</u>@texas.net> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Wed, 23 Jan 2002 23:36:04 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>>Dennis,

>>May I make an observation here. What I see in the photos appears
>>to be balloon/target debris. In your post you suggest that it is
>>"the original Roswell stuff." How do you, or I know for a fact
>>that the material laying in Ramey's office was in fact the
>>original stuff that came from Roswell. In fact this stuff
>>(ballon/target material) could have come from most anywhere from
>>base supply.

>>The facts would seem to indicate that at that date and time, in
>>Rameys office a ballon/target was troted out for what we would
>>call today "a photo op" that was designed to get the press off
>>of everybodys back.

>Robert,

<snip>

>Maybe at some point in the distant future flying machines get >vastly simpler, rather than more complex, from what we have >today -- I just can't bring myself to imagine how. Nor can I >wrap my mind around the presumed assumption that material >capable of surviving space travel would somehow come apart so >completely as is usually described by Roswell witnesses, >typically without mention of scorch or fire marks. Depending, of >course, on which particular Roswell you're referring to.

Dennis,

Some observations

Having visited a number of plane crash sites in my life you can find much debris that has no scorch or fire marks. On the other hand you can find debris that is scorched and has fire marks. Depends on the nature of the crash and so forth.

Somewhere awhile back I saw a photo of some rocket booster debris that had come down. Some of the material didn't look burned or scorched at all, even though it made a near reentry type journey through the atmosphere.

>This is why I personally have no problem applying Occam's Razor >and subscribing to the most minimal Roswell of them all ->Project Mogul. Whether one agrees or not, Mogul was in the area, >could have come down on the Foster ranch, could have been what >was recovered, shipped to Fort Worth, and photographed on >Ramey's floor. It's simple, neat, and straightforward, with no >need of cover ups, switching of material, and vast conspiracies.

The problem is the debris on the floor doesn't add up to Mogel, nor does the theory of allegedly placing a ballon (with no flight records or other evidence) within 17 miles of the crash site, so it was the balloon. Mogel is lame at best.

On the other hand if somebody could place Mogel within1-4 miles of the debris field, I am listening... listening... listening... and likely will continue to do so because the evidence doesn't add up.

People have made the case that the debris in Rameys office is a balloon/target. I would have to agree. Thats what it appeared to be in the first place. I suspect a new one, probably out of supply, as none of the debris look like it has been dragging through the rough country of New Mexico. I have actually found modern Radiosonde balloon packages and can tell you that they look far worse in outward appearances do to the exposure to the elements, wind, rain, dirt and so on. Bottom line is the Ramey office photos look like something was troted out for a photo op for the press, which got the press off of the AF's back.

Cheers,

Robert

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>Area UFO sightings not yet identified by officials

>By Jeff Kaplan, rockinghamnews@seacoastonline.com

>FREMONT -- Unidentified flying objects are not unusual in >Rockingham County. At an increasing pace over the last decade, >UFOs have been sighted performing a gymnast's repertoire of >aerial maneuvers. The Web site www.ufopage.com lists 33 >documented sightings since 1995.

>Last Thursday New Hampshire may have been visited again.

>At 10:04 p.m. Fremont Police Officer H.D. Wood was dispatched to >Main Street to investigate a report of two objects hovering >silently in the air. The objects were described as "bright and >full of lights," according to the police report.

<snip>

Hello all:

I'm not about to count the words in this newspaper article, lets just say its several paragraphs at least.

One simple question: For all the local color, did any of the newsmen, witnesses, cops or whoever say a single word about the _shapes_ of the objects?

I would ask for apparent shapes, first thing, but that's just silly old me.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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From: George A. Filer <<u>Majorstar</u>@aol.com> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 19:57:41 +0000 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 15:23:36 -0500 Subject: Filer'S Files #04 - 2002

FILER'S FILES #04-2002 MUFON Skywatch Investigations George A. Filer, Director, Mutual UFO Network Eastern January 23, 2002, <u>Majorstar@AOL.COM.</u> Webmaster Chuck Warren <u>http://www.filersfiles.com</u>,

UFOs were observed over New York, Pennsylvania, Mississippi, Louisiana, Iowa, Missouri, Arkansas, California, Washington, and Austria.

NEW PLANETS NEAR VEGA

Scientists announced that the two giant clumps of dust in the ring surrounding the star Vega may be planets. Vega is located 25 light years away in the constellation Lyra and is the brightest star in the summer sky. The planets are apparently trapped in this dust ring. Observations of Vega in 1983 with the Infrared Astronomy Satellite provided the first evidence for large dust particles around another star, probably debris related to the formation of planets. This discovery likely inspired Carl Sagan to place the alien listening post at Vega in his novel "Contact." In our Solar System, dust particles created by asteroid collisions spiral in toward the Sun. The gravity of the planets affect the distribution of these dust particles. The Earth, for example, traps dust in a series of dynamical resonance's that produce a ring of enhanced density along the Earth's orbit. When viewed from Earth, the signatures of extrasolar planets im! printed on circumstellar dust may be the most conspicuous evidence of their existence. Up to now more than fifty planets have been detected by their gravitational influence on their own stars. The dust clouds are much easier to detect than the planets because of their much larger surface area. It's akin to seeing the wake of a boat from a plane when the boat itself is too small to be visible. Because Vega is viewed nearly pole-on, it presents a perfect target for more detailed study of planets in its dust cloud.

Editor's Note -- Almost monthly new planets are being located by astronomers. Additionally, we now feel water is abundant in the universe. Like Johnny Appleseed you can take some dust, sprinkle it with water and Apple trees will grow. As I sit here, I hold a stone meteorite in my hand that was found in Mauritania, Africa. Its thought that many meteorites carry the building blocks of life, and the comets carry water. Theoretically, life should be abundant throughout the universe with 200 billion stars in our own galaxy alone. The Bible clearly states there are beings on other planets. "Therefore, rejoice you heavens, and you that dwell in them." Revelation 12-12 New International

MAINE CHEVRON SHAPED OBJECT WITH BLINDING LIGHT

RICHMOND -- On January 3, 2002, the witness a construction industry management engineering expert, observed a blinding light very high in the horizon at 9:35 PM. He was traveling on Interstate #95 to exit #25 in Bowdoin. The light was stationary but too high in the sky to be a tower light. The lights did not change in size or intensity. There were blinking red and green lights directly on either side of the bright center light flashing in a regular pattern and appeared to be directly adjacent to the center light rather than offset from it. When I exited at #25 south, I pulled off to the side of the road behind two other vehicles that had also stopped to look; I watched as the craft began to move diagonally northeast very slowly. I called Peter Davenport via cell phone and the craft changed direction and flew almost directly overhead. The object was a wedge or a chevron with a pair of swept wings attached to a center fuselage with sol! id webbing between the wings and the fuselage. The length of the appendages of were equilateral with a slight curvature of the webbing at the trailing edge. All of the underside surfaces were equally well lit with a diffused light. The surfaces were silver-gray but clarity and light quality faded at the periphery of the object.

It was as though someone shined a spotlight directly upward at the underbody and only illuminated the center portion of the craft. The object flew very slowly overhead and appeared to proceed in an elliptical path north then south again. The visible change in direction was almost immediate and didn't appear to allow time for a west to east arc. There was no discernible sound from the object that was moving very slowly as it passed overhead. It was the size of a quarter when held at arm's length. The sky was extremely clear. The object made two circles then disappeared over the treeline. Thanks to Peter Davenport National Reporting Center www.ufocenter .com

NEW YORK SILVER DISK

BROOKLYN -- The witness states, "I had a recent short sighting on Saturday, January 5, 2002, at 8:40 AM. while on a bus #46. The bus stopped at Church Avenue and I was looking west out the window when I saw a stationary silver disk in the sky reflecting the morning sun. It didn't move or wobble at any time but just hovered. It had to be above 10,000 feet because there were passenger jets above it to the southwest and northwest. I was watching it for about 15 seconds without looking away and it disappeared. It looked about the size of an air rifle pellet. I have been doing a lot of thinking since I finished reading a Wendelle C. Stevens book. People have been having contact with ET's for a long time and yet the information like those in his books go unreported or unknown to the majority of people. I know very well that abductions/contacts continue happening, but I think that the world should know of these older reports from the 50's t! hrough 70's as a way of promoting interest and investigation in other countries. Why aren't the major organizations enlisting investigators around the world to reinvestigate those older contacts along with the newer contacts? I had never reported my sightings until I did with you and I am glad that I did because I can read your Filer's Files and know that others are having sightings and reporting them. Thanks and God Bless. grodriguez@windelsmarx.com

Editor's Note: There are a few researchers attempting to spread the word and gather data such as retired Lt.Col. Wendelle Stevens. MUFON and most other UFO organizations do not have the funds to support any research. Virtually all investigation is paid for individually by the investigators themselves. Therefore, there is very limited capability. Your corner Pizza Restaurant spends more, so consequently there is little real scientific research that can be done except by volunteers. Real research is very expensive. Those who make large amounts of money in the Entertainment Industry or Business do not appear interested in supporting UFO research. I'm hoping that this will change.

NEW JERSEY UFO SIGHTING

RUTHERFORD -- On January 9, 2002, I was driving on Route 3 west out of Lyndhurst when I saw a bright light to the right of me at 12:15 AM. I thought it was a plane descending ,but as it got closer I realized that it wasn't in the shape of a plane and it was circular. It had two bright lights in the front like head lights and around it were little white lights with a few green and red. It was descending fast, circling down to the ground and then it disappeared. Thanks to Peter Davenport Director of the UFO Reporting Center www.ufocenter.com

MISSISSIPPI FLYING TRIANGLE

PONTOTOC -- On January 8, 2002, the witness saw a wedge shaped craft at about 6:40 PM, that was heading southeast at about 2000 feet. It had one continuous light which lit up the whole outer edge of the craft. The sighting lasted about 30 seconds. The craft made no noise. I noticed another wedge shaped object just hovering for almost an hour. It is now 7:30 and it is still there. A large, low-flying rectangular object was sighted on November 19, 2001, at 9:45 PM by the same witness. Three wedged shaped craft had red green, white, and yellow lights. The craft made no sound and flew at 2000 feet. They were traveling west at a very high rate of speed in a triangle formation. Thanks to NUFORC

LOUISIANA SIGHTING: STRETCHES FROM LOUISIANA TO MISSISSIPPI

HONEY ISLAND SWAMP -- On January 13, 2002, Joe and Linda Montaldoy were driving in the swamp that includes Stennis NASA Test Site near Pearl River. They entered near sunset and drove in eleven miles and noticed the last of the hunters drive out about 5:45 PM, so they decided to leave. They wrote, "As we got close to the gate a very bright, circular, strobing light appeared behind the trees to our left in the south." As it came over the tree line we got out of the car to watch it. I judged from the height of the microwave tower I could see that it was about 1500 feet high. It continued in our direction and passed directly over our car. We could plainly see that it was a triangular shaped black object with an amber colored globe in the center, a red light at its front point and a white light at each of its back points. It was about the size of a commercial jet. We only viewed it for a few minutes because the road is narrow and tr! ees line both sides. We left the swamp and were headed back to I-59. As we approached the ramp to the interstate we saw that it had stopped over the swamp and was hovering in place. Because we are involved with MUFON. we called our State Director on our cell phone. The craft now turned back and headed southwest toward Pearl River. I could tell by the way it was headed that it would pass directly over a deadend road I had been on before, so I drove to the end of this road. We got out of the car and spotted it moving very slowly at maybe 800 feet high. We were reporting over the phone. It stopped, turned on its axis, and headed back in our direction and passed directly over us as we stood outside our car. There was absolutely no sound except the barking of some dogs in a nearby yard. We got back in the car and followed it down the road. It was no more than 500 or 600 feet over us and was moving very slowly. ! ; We were driving only about 20 mph and it stayed right in front and over us. At this point it was hard to tell it we were following it or it was staying with us when we reached the end of the road the object headed south-southeast. We noticed two planes cross right over it at a much higher altitude. As we got back to the interstate the object began to gain altitude and speed. It was headed towards the Pirate Harbor area. We lost sight of it on the interstate, so I decided to get off I-10 and go to Pirates Harbor Road.

We drove down this road 5 or 6 miles and came to an open area. On one side of the road are camps and on the other side marsh. We could see the craft over the marshes. It appeared to be tipped over on its side. I could see no lights; I believe I was looking at the top of it. It was like a black shape against the stars. Before it had been traveling like a flat triangle shape and we could see only the bottom of it. As I watched, it seem to flip over on it's other side and I could see the bottom of it. Sort of like a car would flip and first you would see the hood and roof, then you would see the underside and tires. Then it righted itself, but continued to wobble. It was headed south-southeast toward the Ringlets Pass, which was about three miles from where we were. The Ringlets Pass is a deep-water channel that eventually leads into the Gulf of Mexico. We had to speed up to keep it in sight but it was slow! ly loosing altitude. When we got to the Ringlets Bridge we could see it had come down into the marsh. We couldn't tell if it was in the water or above the water. Now it was lit up with bright white lights all along the edge of it. We came off the bridge and pulled into the Fort Pike boat launch. We got out of our car and called our State Director back on the cell phone.

The object was over the water about 100 to 200 yards from us. To the right of us in the north a brilliant white light came into view. It was just above tree level, about 300 o 400 feet

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high and moving very slowly. It would move a little and then come to a complete stop. There was a beam of light coming from under it making a searching pattern. As we watched it started to move toward where we were standing. The light turned off and it passed directly over us. There was no sound. We could clearly see that it was a triangular shape with a red light in the front white lights on both back points and an amber light in the middle. It was the same type of craft that was in the water, but much smaller. As it passed over us it made a circle toward the west and came back around. Several times it came to a complete stop. When it was back to the spot it had started from, it started to circle again. This time it! was lower, maybe 200 to 250 feet, and moving more in the direction of the downed craft. Again very slow movement and several complete stops.

As we stood watching, we saw another craft light up from the exact spot the first one had started. Craft #2 was moving in the same path and at the same speed and altitude as craft #1. As #2 passed over us we could see that it was another triangular craft with a red light in front, two white lights in back, an amber globe in the middle, only this craft had two rows of white lights running down the center of it's underside. There were six lights in each row and they were either next to the globe or over it. A third craft now showed up in the exact spot as the other two. It made the same slow, stopping movements and circle as the other two. As it passed over us we could see it was again a triangular craft with the same lights, red in front, white in back, amber globe in the middle. The only difference in this one was that it sent out a beam of light from the front point for about 200 feet. The beam tilted downward but not far enou! gh to reach the ground. Now the three crafts were moving in an extremely slow circle in the sky. They would stop completely and then move again. We were still on the phone with our State Director and at this time he told us we should get out of there.

We took a last look and to the south an object was coming our way. We could not see the shape of this object. All we could see was a row of very bright lights. There were six lights, three lights a space, and then three more. They were extremely bright and they seemed to be blinking on very, very fast. So fast that you couldn't really tell when one went off the one next to it came on. They were flashing and strobing so quickly, that I couldn't really focus on them. Something caught my attention in the corner of my eye, and I turned around and realized that the craft in the water had changed. The white lights around its edge were now red. Then it simply went under the water and disappeared. At the same moment they all just disappeared. One moment there were four crafts in the sky and one in the water and the next there was nothing. We got in our car and made a rather speedy departure. Almost as soon! as we were on the road, a triangular craft, red light in front, white lights in back, amber in the center, appeared to our left over the trees. At the same time car lights shone right behind us on bright beam. As the triangle flew over us the car engine started to cough and felt like it was going out, the lights on the car flickered on and off, the cell phone started to ring, but it said dead cell and went blank. All this happened in an instant. The triangle flew over us at about 100 feet heading east to west and disappeared. The car behind us passed at a very high speed and we saw that the plate said US Government. We both got a headache almost immediately. The headache was extremely painful. It felt like an immense pressure in our head and behind our eyes. Our eyes were burning. There was also a feeling of being ill. The incident took place between 5:45 and 8:30 PM Thanks to Joe and Linda Montaldoy

RAPIDES PARISH SHARP -- Bright lights in the night sky have befuddled a couple who is the justice of the peace. However, the eerie lights may have been nothing more than bombing range flares. Raymond and Audrey Cupples were in their Sharp community home on La. Highway 8 at about 8:00 PM. Wednesday January 16, when Cupples noticed a "big, brilliant light" southeast of the residence. The light appeared just above a distant tree line, Cupples said. "I said, "It was strange. I'm 59 years old, and I've never seen anything like this." Cupples said he stood in his front yard watching the light, a brilliant pinkish and red color" -- for nearly two hours. It would flash on and off at varying intervals, he said. At the same time, higher in the sky, between six and 10 smaller lights were steadily blinking off and on, he said. Cupples said the large light, which did not appear to be moving very much, was not round but more of an elongated oval s! hape. Mrs. Cupples said she came out and "saw it twice. I didn't know what to make of it." Her husband said the large light "did not illuminate the surrounding area." Rather, he said, it was creating the luminescence. The other smaller lights were not near the large light, Cupples said. And they "moved around like a helicopter would," except there was no sound, he added. By 10 p.m. the lights were gone. Coincidentally, Cupples said he also saw two brilliant "shooting stars" fly overhead during the sighting.

Dan Nance, a spokesman for Fort Polk and the Joint Readiness Training Center, confirmed that A-10 aircraft were flying over the Camp Claiborne range at approximately the same time as Cupple's sighting. "They did drop flares, which could account for the lights seen in the sky in that vicinity," Flare drops were scheduled to end at 7:45 PM. Patrick Thompson, air traffic manager for Alexandria International Airport, confirmed this. He said the range "was active with flare drops" and that "they light up the sky pretty good." However, Thompson said the Cupples' sighting lasted until about 10 p.m., more than two hours after the end of the flare run. The Town Talk, Alexandria - Pineville / Byline: Andrew Griffin Published: Jan 19.02 Thanks to Farshores.

IOWA SAUCERS FLASHING LIGHTS

DUBUQUE -- The witness reports, "What we saw was clearly a UFO with light blue flashing lights at 7:15 PM, on January 3, 2002. There were four of us in the car driving on Highway 61, when we saw the UFO come toward us as we drove along. It seemed to change directions and go the way we were going for a few seconds. It was only 50 feet above us so we got a good look. It was saucer-shaped with a dome-like top. It acted like it wanted us to stop the car. The flashing lights were very bright, as they would flash on for a second, go off for about 1 and a half to 2 seconds, and then back on again. The UFO was saucer-shaped and had a dome-shaped top. The saucer had windows, 4, or 5 on the side we could clearly see. The light seemed to be coming out of these windows. Finally it started flying away from us and it disappeared, so we thought. Then I saw the light blue lights again in my rearview mirror, which followed us ! for about six miles. The lights were not getting further away from us as we drove on. By the time we drove into the city, it was gone. We know what we saw and no one's going to tell us any different.

MARION -- At 7:30 PM, on January 3, 2002, a few minutes after the above sighting. The witness noticed four motionless sources of light, flashing red, blue, and white. The one craft I could see from my bedroom window, and I am looking at one as I type this that is in the shape of a "+," but this may be due to the window. At this time, which is now 9:02 PM, it still hasn't moved from its spot. The other three remained motionless too, but I cannot see hem now. I witnesses one ascending to above my window's view, so I went outside, and it is still there. I can see that both Saturn and Uranus are visible. Some would say that these are planets. Well, there are two things wrong with that. 1: there are four objects, not two. 2: What planets flash blue and white, then occasionally red? They could be helicopters. This town has only 26,000 people and the biggest city in a 50 miles hasis only 100,000. Why woul! d four helicopters hover over a small town not moving one inch in three hours? Nothing of national importance is in this town. Thanks to Peter Davenport NUFORC www.ufocenter.com.

MISSOURI CIGAR SHAPED OBJECT

LAKE OF THE OZARKS -- My friend first saw the object, a bright light at 5:30 PM, on January 2, 2002, about half the size of the moon or twice the size of Venus and larger than most plane and helicopter lights I've seen. After rounding the corner I was looking for the object and I saw it again, hovering about the trees over an area where there are boat garages and little else, near the Osage Beach City Hall, and across from Lake of the Ozarks General Hospital. It looked to be approximately the size of a large jet airliner, was very low, and appeared to be ready to land. It didn't appear to have wings and had two blue lights in the back underneath it, then two other clear lights and two red lights toward the front, and of course the extremely bright head light. We continued down the road but were a bit shaken up by what we'd seen. I expected to hear an explosion or something because I thought it was a jet plane that was about to crash. There! was nothing to indicate that anything had landed or anything else. The object was larger than a helicopter and the one at the hospital was parked and locked. Thanks to NUFORC

ARKANSAS OBJECT WITH TWO BEAM LIGHTS

VAN BUREN COUNTY -- Kaleeh Rodgers writes, "I was on my way home from Church Wednesday Night January 16, 2002, and my friend Carla was driving. I was sort of gazing out the window in boredom when I saw an odd shaped object that had two beam-lights that shot straight forward, like a flashlights beam. It had a triangular hook on the bottom of it. This object stood completely still, it didn't seem to move in the least. Carla said something to me, and I looked at her to reply, but when I looked back, the object that had stood so still had disappeared into the dark night's sky. God Bless, Thanks to Kaleeh Rodgers <u>dc3 survivor@hotmail.co</u>

CALIFORNIA SILVER ORBS

SACRAMENTO -- Jeff Challender writes, "Today, January 11, 2001, was one of the most incredible days of my life. My wife, son, and I were out house hunting today. As we sat at a red stoplight, my son in the rear seat exclaimed, "What is that?" I looked where he indicated, and there, coming from the north was a silvery orb. It moved in our direction at very good speed. The traffic light changed, but I didn't want to stop watching, so I pulled up in a nearby parking lot (This was in Roseville, a suburb of Sacramento, at 12:25 PM). From there we watched this orb move almost directly over our position, where it came to a complete stop !! It hovered for several minutes, and began to move slowly to the west. After perhaps a minute or two, it turned, and began to move back to the north from whence it came in the first place. We watched it until it was lost in some clouds. We were about to leave for our appointment, when Max ! shouted that there was another one. Sure enough, another silvery orb, just like the first, was sailing along toward our position from the north. We watched it do a near exact repeat of the actions of the first. It got almost directly overhead, and stopped! This one hovered for nearly five minutes before slowly moving off to the north again. We watched this one until we could no longer see it in the haze. Amazed, and somewhat shocked, we continued to our appointment with our real estate agent. We talked for an hour with the agent when yet another silvery orb went streaking across the northern sky from east to west. This one went so fast that it was gone in less than 10 seconds. I hollered to the others when I saw it, but this one was gone before any of the others could find it. WOW!! What a day!! I've seen UFOs before, but never three separate objects in a day, and never for over 20 minutes. The rea! 1 pity is that I hadn't brought along my camcorder. This would have made a great film. This is one day I won't forget any time soon. Thanks to Jeff <u>Jefchall</u>@worldnet.att.net

MCCHORD AIR FORCE BASE

Robert Collins reports Blue Book closed it's doors in December 1969, but yet here almost three years later Air Force Office of Special Investigations (OSI) was still collecting and classifying UFO reports. The names and events are real. On October 14, 1972, Airman First Class (AIC) Steven Briggs and Airman Dennis Hillsgeck were instructed to check the Tactical Air Navigational (TACAN) facility located eight miles east of McChord Air Force Base. The TACAN site was situated on government land maintained by the United State Army, Ft. Lewis. Briggs and Hillsgeck drove to the TACAN site at approximately 1300 hours. Upon their arrival, they opened the locked fence surrounding the TACAN facility and entered the compound. Once inside the compound, they opened the TACAN building and began to conduct a systems check of the TACAN equipment. At 1400 hours, Briggs heard a strange sound outside the building that sounded like a high pitch eng! ine. Briggs exited the building to investigate and observed a saucer shaped object directly above the TACAN building. Briggs watched as the object landed just south of the TACAN compound. Briggs was startled by the object and entered the TACAN building to summon Hillsgeck. Once Hillsgeck and Briggs exited the building together, they observed two "creatures" walking towards the fence. Briggs returned to the building and telephoned (555) the base security police. He yelled that they needed help at the TACAN site because "intruders" were attempting to enter the facility. Sgt David Holmes, the Law Enforcement Desk Sergeant, 62nd Security Police Squadron, received the phone call and dispatched Sgt Dwight Reid and AIC Michael Tash to the scene. It took the security police patrol 17 minutes to travel to the TACAN site.

Upon their arrival, they observed Briggs and Hillsgeck standing near their government vehicle. Both appeared to be in a daze. Neither could speak. Sgt Reid summoned an USAF Ambulance to the scene. Hillsgeck appeared to have been burnt around the face. AIC Tash walked around the area and found marks in the soft Washington state dirt. Then suddenly, Sgt Reid yelled to AIC Tash that an object was directly over his head. A saucer shaped object was hovering just above the TACAN facility. Sgt Reid attempted to communicate to the security police law enforcement office by using his Motorola HT-220 portable radio. However the radio did not function. Sgt Reid then yelled for AIC Tash to return to the police vehicle. Sgt Reid and AIC Tash retrieved Briggs and Hillsgeck and drove from the scene. Approximately one mile from the TACAN site, Sgt Reid was able to communicate with the security police office, requesting a! ssistance and declaring a "Covered Wagon." Four additional security policemen arrived on scene, including, Sgt Darren Alexander and his military dog-Champ. Sgt Alexander and Champ drove to the scene and started to search the area. Approximately 400 yards south of the TACAN site, Champ alerted. Sgt. Alexander observed two "creatures" standing near a remote power station. Sgt. Alexander yelled for the two "creatures" to stand and raise their hands. Both creatures then moved towards Sgt. Alexander.

Sgt Alexander observed that one of the creatures was holding an object, which Sgt. Alexander thought was a weapon. Sgt. Alexander fired six rounds from his military issued Model 15, .38 Caliber Revolver. After firing the shots, Sgt Alexander returned to his vehicle and radioed Sgt Reid that he had fired at the creatures. A Security Alert Team (similar to a police SWAT) arrived. They conducted a search of the area and observed the saucer shaped object sitting on the ground, directly east of the power station. They circled the object and called for a supervisor. Captain Henry Stone, Security Police Law Enforcement, arrived on scene but the object departed just as Captain Stone walked towards the object. The object flew off in an easterly direction and was out of sight in a few seconds. Office of Special Investigations agents arrived on scene and conducted an investigation. Statements were taken from all involved. Evid! ence was collected from the scene, to include shell casings from the rounds fired by Sgt. Alexander. This incident was classified as Top Secret and remained in the OSI files as unsolved. Copyright 2001 by Robert Collins shippeej@hereintown.net

AUSTRIA YELLOW-ORANGE UFO SEEN

VIENNA -- On Friday, January 11, 2002, at 5:50 PM, Herbert F.C. stepped outside his home in the Hietzing section of the capital, and then he "saw the object heading heavenward. I heard several loud booms, and then I looked up and saw a bright yellow-orange light." "At first I thought it was a passing airplane. And then out of it came several smaller lights. I called my son who was upstairs in his room. My 14-year-old son went to his window and saw 'something like a star' rising upward rapidly. A moment later, four more bright UFOs passed directly over our house. These lights hovered briefly and then flugsicherung (Air Traffic Control) at Vienna's international airport, but the controllers "had no reports of UFOs on their radar screens at that time." Thanks to UFO ROUNDUP Vol. 7, #3 January 15, 2002 Editor: Joseph Tr! ainor.

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NEW NASA SHUTTLE VIDEO OF UFOS IN SPACE

Jeff Challender has prepared a new hour-long tape of UFOs filmed on recent Shuttle video footage in space. Jeff spends hundreds of hours watching the shuttle broadcasts from space and is now an expert on NASA missions and even those onboard the shuttle are unlikely to see what Jeff does. Using Jeff's directions you will be able to learn the difference between space junk, ice crystals and real UFOs. I feel confident we could go into a court of law and convince any jury that there are UFOs moving at high speed around the Earth. Send \$25 to: Jeff Challender 2768 Mendel Way - Sacramento, California 95833-2011

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Regards, George Filer

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>From: Larry Hatch <<u>larry@larry@larryhatch.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: New Hampshire Visited Again

>>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto

>>Source: Rockingham News - Plaistow, New Hampshire

>><u>http://www.coaststar.com/news/rock/rl_25d.htm</u>

>>Area UFO sightings not yet identified by officials

>>By Jeff Kaplan, rockinghamnews@seacoastonline.com

>>FREMONT -- Unidentified flying objects are not unusual in
>>Rockingham County. At an increasing pace over the last decade,
>>UFOs have been sighted performing a gymnast's repertoire of
>>aerial maneuvers. The Web site www.ufopage.com lists 33
>>documented sightings since 1995.

>>Last Thursday New Hampshire may have been visited again.

>>At 10:04 p.m. Fremont Police Officer H.D. Wood was dispatched to
>>Main Street to investigate a report of two objects hovering
>>silently in the air. The objects were described as "bright and
>>full of lights," according to the police report.

><snip>

>Hello all:

>I'm not about to count the words in this newspaper article, lets >just say its several paragraphs at least.

>One simple question: For all the local color, did any of the >newsmen, witnesses, cops or whoever say a single word about the >_shapes_ of the objects?

>I would ask for apparent shapes, first thing, but that's just >silly old me.

A fellow after my own heart (except I drink more bourbon than beer).

Yes, why do reporters never ask the critical questions that would help to determine whether the object was likely to be something prosaic, or something anomalous? Shape, any visible surface or structural features, acceleration, flight pattern and motions (straight line, oscillatory, erratic), light patterns (glow, pulsation, blinking), etc.

The devil is in the details, not in the fact that a witness

thinks he saw something unusual unless he can articulate why he thinks so.

- Dick Hall

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Mothman Prophecies Movie

From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark</u>@frontiernet.net> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 12:08:18 -0600 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 15:45:47 -0500 Subject: Mothman Prophecies Movie

Listfolk,

Helene and I saw The Mothman Prophecies movie last night and loved it. There are very few great Fortean films, but this is surely one of them. It's got everything - genuine creepiness, a thrilling, suspenseful storyline, intelligence, and all sorts of elements ufologists and Forteans will recognize. Director Mark Pellington is to be commended for resisting the temptation to turn John Keel's book into yet another dopey creature or science-fiction movie.

I wonder how many of you who've seen the movie caught the deep-inside-the-ufological-beltway use of the name "Gordon Smallwood" for the Will Patton character (playing someone loosely based on contactee Woody Derenberger).

Jerry Clark

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Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols

From: **Jim Mortellaro** <<u>Jsmortell@aol.com</u>> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 13:47:01 EST Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 15:51:50 -0500 Subject: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols

Request For Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols

Dear List, Errol,

The project previously listed and discussed is at the very beginning stages. I am therefore asking all of you to please read this entire post, and lend us a helping hand.

First, a little background. This is a beginning, and I am not a researcher except of my own experiences. I am depending on the experts at our medical group to define the study. They too, are not researchers of this phenomena.

There is however, another important issue here, about which I was not aware, and was not told by my internist recently.

This is a large medical group. So large and so popular (because of the caliber of physicians) that they have an arrangement with one of the best hospitals hereabouts. The arrangement is complete affiliation. The hospital has all the latest equipment and is just below the level of the Westchester County Medical Center, in case anyone is interested. That's a pretty high level folks. We do not have a helipad, though... chame, chame, chame!

As a result of the group's size and success at treatment, most of the patients are long term; my internist has been trying to make me healthy for 35 years. It's a job. He's literally saved my wife's life on two occasions. With such long term patients being attended by their internists for so long, a great deal of personal data is transferred to the internist. Some of it _very_ personal, and which would not ordinarily be discussed with 'just a doctor.'

He called to tell me that there are many like me, who've confided in their internists or other doctors at the group. As a result, their interest in this conundrum was boosted up a few notches. I suppose that I threw them over the fence. And as a further result, the number of perceived abductees is larger than I dreamed. The fact is that no further volunteers are needed. And even with those few who wished to take part in the project, are not needed but will be used. There will be no 'non-abductees' in this project, except those whom the group selects. And these will have the same or similar 'complaints' as the abductees, but with no history of abduction, sightings of UFOs and etc.

Last, and most important, we seek the assistance, by way of suggestions from you, the much maligned researchers, as to any ideas you may have which may assist in making this project satisfactory to as many as possible. We even look for protocols which might be useful. Anything. _Anything!_ And this request is from the group. I have set up a special email address for such responses, or simply use UpDates, that is, if the information is of interest to all. You decide.

By the way, it was not me who maligned researchers, it was Gesundt. And he was in his cups.

Please help us... on or off-List... doesn't matter. But we need

your help. Those who write off-List will receive my private telephone number, at my discretion, if it becomes necessary to speak by landline. Or, I will call you. But for crimey sake, don't just sit there like lumps on a log, help us out.

The worst thing which could happen is for some of you to bitch and moan that the project was not 'done right'. Well, now you have the opportunity to contribute to the study and make sure it's as right as it can be.

I am disappointed that the only response was prematurely ejaculated and that not one of you said squat. Now for my petulant and childish comment:

If this project is so uninteresting, or for any other reasons, not something which is exciting to this List, then I shall not post anything about it here. Not out of spite, but out of a complete and total frustration with you guys. And then, watch out, because out comes Gesundt in all his drunken fury. I am serious about the first comment. Take part or do as you've done thus far, keep quite. Is it fear or disinterest? Or is it that you agree with the comments made thus far? Your response, or lack of it, will help me decide a very great deal. A very great deal. Don't disappoint us or you. Do something.

Jim

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Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Salvaille

From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@rocler.qc.ca></u>
Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 14:57:57 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 15:52:58 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Salvaille

>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 16:26:41 -0600

>>From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99@</u>hotmail.com>
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net
>>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 19:12:25 +0000

>>>From: Greg Sandow <greg@gregsandow.com>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto"<ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>>>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 12:44:40 -0500

>>>From: Michelle Guerin <<u>NYMush@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 18:34:09 EST
>>>Subject: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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Hello Alfred and all.

Well, don't keep us waiting. What are those three validated instruments?

Best,

Serge

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Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk>
Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 21:21:30 +0000
Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 17:03:42 -0500
Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Rimmer

>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 19:44:46 -0600
>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark@frontiernet.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark
>>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 10:25:16 -0600

>>From: Chris Rutkowski <<u>rutkows</u>@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 14:35:10 CST
>>>Subject: Subject: Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology

><snip>

>>I think John Keel has contributed his share of controversy and >>nonsense to this subject, probably more so than many. This is >>really a case of the pot's calling the kettle black.

><snip>

>Jerry, Chris, et al

>I think someone should post the first sentence or two or graf of >The Mothman Prophecies here. I'd do it myself, but my copy is >presently in storage and/or passage.

Here we go:

"Fingers of lighting tore holes in the black skies as an angry cloudburst drenched the surrealistic landscape. It was 3 am on a cold wet morning in late November 1967, and the little houses scattered along the dirt road winding through the hills of West Virginia were all dark. Some seemed unoccupied and in the final stages of decay. Others were unpainted, neglected, forlorn...

"Along the road came a stranger in a land were strangers were rare and suspect. He walked up to the door of a crumbling farmhouse and hammered. After a long moment a light blinked on and a young woman appeared, drawing a cheap mail-order bathrobe around her. She opened the door a crack and her sleep-swollen face winced with fear as she stared at the apparition on her doorstep ..."

>But talk about your purple UFO prose!

But how about this for purple prose - can you guess who wrote it?

"...John A. Keel, a veteran critic of ETH whose work we have long admired... Keel has probably spent more time in the field than any other private researcher. This fact has afforded him the opportunity to view the UFO mystery from the inside, and not from the distorted perspective of most UFO literature, written usually to enhance belief in interplanetary visitors, which blithely ignores the evidence inconsiderate enough not to fit Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Rimmer

the author's preconceptions."

--John Rimmer Magonia Magazine www.magonia.demon.co.uk

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Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 15:42:18 -0600 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 17:06:13 -0500 Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Lehmberg

>From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@rocler.qc.ca></u> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> >Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? >Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 14:57:57 -0500

>>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 16:26:41 -0600

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><snip>

>Hello Alfred and all.

>Well, don't keep us waiting. What are those three validated >instruments?

They're people, Serge (...and I'd like mine with a twist? <g>.) Quality people (qualitates mit pradikat!), people who have educated themselves, people who have demonstrated a sincerity, people who show some talent for rationality, good sense, and observation. These people are cogent, cognitive, experienced and open. They are serious, sound, sentient, and suspicious with good reason. They are near legion. They are also the exact same 'kind' of people that Hynek alluded too. I know three I have some confidence in (four counting myself <g>), and many more that don't make my personal cut. You very likely know some yourself... People, Serge. All there are. Here _or_ there.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com ~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by

scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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SDI - Tonight's Line-up

From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 17:24:43 -0500
Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 17:24:43 -0500
Subject: SDI - Tonight's Line-up

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Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Coleman

From: Loren Coleman <<u>lcolema1@maine.rr.com></u> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 17:24:13 -0500 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 17:49:06 -0500 Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Coleman

>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 21:21:30 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer</u>@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology

<snip>

>But how about this for purple prose - can you guess who wrote >it?

Sounds like Jerome Clark, to me.

How about this one? I wasn't going for prose but to just capture the true nature of the man, in my newest:

"'Ufology is just another name for demonology,=B2 John Keel told me, a week before the September 11th attack on the World Trade Center, which occurred just a couple of miles from where he lives.'"

Loren Coleman http://www.lorencoleman.com

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Mothman Prophecies Heavy On Horror, Chills

From: UFO UpDates - Toronto ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 19:16:55 -0500Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 19:16:55 -0500Subject: Mothman Prophecies Heavy On Horror, Chills

Source: The Scarborough Mirror - Toronto

Sunday, January 27, 2002

Film Review by Stuart Green

Mothman Prophecies Heavy On Horror, Chills

Its not easy to make a monster movie that never shows the monster. It takes a certain skill on the director's part to make us believe there is this menacing being or beast or entity that's threatening and tormenting our protagonists without relying on special effects and pup pets to give the monster form.

But director Mark Pellington has done just that with the effective and chilling supernatural thriller 'The Mothman Prophecies'.

Based on actual events in West Virginia more than 30 years ago, the film is the eeriest, smartest and most unpredictable tale of other-worldly happenings since 'The Sixth Sense', with the added impact of having its roots in real life happenings.

'The Mothman Prophecies' crosses 'X-Files'-like paranormal investigation and the compelling story of a man trying to get over the death of his wife some two years earlier.

Richard Gere stars as the grieving widower, a journalist named John Klein, who gets lost on his way to an interview and ends up in Point Pleasant, W.Va., some 600 miles from his intended destination with no recollection of how he got there.

But he, quickly discovers that being lost and without a functioning automobile is the least of his troubles. It seems there have been all sorts of strange goings on in the town that local police are at a loss to explain.

And the more he hears about those goings on, the closer to home they hit. Apparently dozens of townsfolk have been reporting seeing a strange moth or bird-like creature and hearing odd squeals emanating from their telephone receivers.

Klein is particularly struck by the Mothman sightings as his wife claimed to have had the same vision shortly before she died.

He quickly teams up with a local cop (Laura Linney) and puts his investigative journal ism skills to use as he attempts to discover the reality behind the fantastic stories.

The investigation leads him to a local mystery man and a Chicago author who reveal the sightings are premonitions of a tragic event that Klein is deter mined to prevent.

Based on John A. Keel's 1975 book of the same name, 'The Mothman

Prophecies' is part thriller, part love story and part urban legend.

But as realized by Pellington (director of the equally powerful crime thriller 'Arlington Road'), it's almost all horror. The former music video maverick turned feature film director has obviously. spent a great deal of time watching movies like 'The Exorcist' and 'Carrie' or anything by Alfred Hitchcock that effectively use lighting, sets and music to evoke terror. We only ever catch brief glimpses of the Mothman and even those glimpses are not definitive in portraying the creature.

Gore and Linney as the hapless duo trying to get to the bottom of the mystery are great as a Mulder and Scully team; he a believer, she a skeptic. But it's Will Patton as a local who is the conduit between the real and supernatural worlds who gives the film's most dynamic performance. He's angry, confused and scared to death of what's going on around him and it shows.

Pellington uses him wisely to punctuate an already well-crafted movie.

'The Mothman Prophecies' is both creepy and captivating... and jump-out-of-your seat scary as hell too.

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Re: SDI - Tonight's Line-up - Hatch

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 14:29:25 -0800 Fwd Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 18:09:32 -0500 Subject: Re: SDI - Tonight's Line-up - Hatch

>Readers might like to take a look at the 'Strange Days...Indeed'
>line-up for tonight:

>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/sdi/program/

>ebk

Dear EBK:

I hope I'm not on the roster.

I'm way too incapacitated (due to overwork) to get on the radio without a spell checker.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols -

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 19:26:59 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 02:38:32 -0500
Subject: Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols -

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 13:47:01 EST
>Subject: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

>Request For Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols

>Dear List, Errol,

>The project previously listed and discussed is at the very >beginning stages. I am therefore asking all of you to please >read this entire post, and lend us a helping hand.

<snip>

The E-Mail address for this project has been set up.

It is:

StudyProjectA@aol.com

It's now or never ... (Elvis)

Jim (Mortellaro)

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From: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 14:56:09 -0500
Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 14:56:09 -0500
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Please read the following - it will help us both.

Errol Bruce-Knapp,

Moderator, UFO UpDates

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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: UFO UpDate: Grays are Grey Area

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Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 19:47:12 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:15:07 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Mortellaro

>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 15:42:18 -0600

>>From: Serge Salvaille <<u>sergesa@</u>rocler.qc.ca>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
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>>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 14:57:57 -0500

>>>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees?
>>>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 16:26:41 -0600

>><snip>

>>>Hynek likened it to a spectrograph on page 21 of his 'The UFO >>>Experience'. One would not use a spectrograph that has not been >>validated to observe a distant galaxy and then trust the results >>of that observation. The unvalidated spectrometer might just be >>>capable of creating entertaining but inaccurate smears of >>>separated light... but a validated instrument would be trusted >>without question because its calibration has been assured. Do we >>have instruments to trust? I think we must. Way out on the >>>periphery of this thing, I feel I know three.

>><snip>

>>Hello Alfred and all.

>>Well, don't keep us waiting. What are those three validated
>>instruments?

>They're people, Serge (...and I'd like mine with a twist? <g>.)
>Quality people (qualitates mit pradikat!), people who have
>educated themselves, people who have demonstrated a sincerity,
>people who show some talent for rationality, good sense, and
>observation. These people are cogent, cognitive, experienced
>and open. They are serious, sound, sentient, and suspicious
>with good reason. They are near legion. They are also the
>exact same 'kind' of people that Hynek alluded too. I know
>three I have some confidence in (four counting myself <g>), and
>many more that don't make my personal cut. You very likely know
>some yourself... People, Serge. All there are. Here _or_

Dear Al, Serge, List and Errol,

Indeed - in spades. It's all we have in'it? The word of people who are either self educated, formally educated, sane and sound of spirit as well as mind. The kind of people who are sincere, who've likely been psychoanalyzed and found to be credible, that is, found not to have mental illness(es). The kind of people who come forward, after a near lifetime of living in the closet. Many cannot. If they did, they would likely not be able to put bread on the table.

After serving the Hi Tech industry as a consultant for more than 25 years, and semiretiring, the word got out about my experiences. Wanna know how many clients I had before coming out, Serge? Fifteen ... that's 15. Wanna know how many kept me on after word got out? Two. Cardiac Pacemaker and one other who shall remain nameless as a result of nondisclosure. And I told them as soon as the bovine excrement hit the big windmill. They stuck with me. Two. I lost a ton of income. Thank God I prepared for such an eventuality.

Why do I mention this? Simply because it is my sincere opinion that you have _no idea_ how many people are in that closet. I have an inkling. And it is a big, very big number.

Cogito, ergo (I think it goes ... Zoom!)

Love,

Jim

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 21:31:50 -0400 Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:18:48 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Friedman

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 01:54:30 EST
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 23:02:08 EST
>>Subject: Mogul Shredded [was: Roswell Threads]
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>Hi David,

>An excellent post that was well done!! I eagerly await the
>response from the skeptics using non-magical thinking....
>However I suspect that they will use magical thinking and try
>and sell us on the fact that it is not.

>I always thought the Mogul theory was deflated to begin with!

I completely agree that David's analysis is right on and very well done. However, I must again reiterate other facts that make it totally incorrect to suggest that this one balloon was what Brazel found, and was observed in situ by Marcel and Cavitt, and had something to do with the Mogul Program.

A. Many Evening Newspapers on July 8, 1947 (from Chicago West) noted that the material was found by Brazel "sometime last week". That alone rules out Mogul Balloon wreckage since, as has been noted, it would have been very badly deteriorated if it had been out there since mid June.

B. The July 9 RDR article about Brazel, which clearly reflects his having been reprogrammed. as indicated by the Proctors, the people in Corona with whom he discussed his find on July 5, his other neighbors, his son, claims that the wreckage covered an area 250 yards in diameter. One balloon won't do it.

C. Marcel when I first spoke to him in 1978 and then interviewed him for 'UFOs Are Real' in 1979 - both long before Roswell became a household name, described a debris field perhaps 3/4 mile long and a few hundred feet across. Clearly more than one balloon, despite Cavitt's sudden memory recall of it just being one balloon covering 20feet square and easily fitting into one vehicle.. which it would have if it was only one balloon.

D. If Brazel had only found one balloon and radar target, he would, if he bothered with it at all, not finding any "return to" tag and seeing nothing special about it, have brought it into Roswell. It was a difficult trip. There would have been no reason for Marcel and Cavitt in their separate vehicles to follow Brazel the long hard way back to the ranch. There would have been nothing there. Nothing to see, no reason to stay over night. Bill Brazel would have not found anything more, as he did, on horseback later on.

E. How does one weather balloon and radar target provide thin very strong memory metal, I-beams having the weight of balsa wood but impossible to break, cut, or burn, with strange symbols.

Radar targets were very easy to break up. They would not have excited the sheriff, nor Marcel, nor Blanchard, not even Cavitt... nor Jesse Jr.

F. Lt. General Twining was head of AMC whose people at Alamogordo had access to many balloons and who launched the cover story balloons at Alamogordo for the presson July 9. Twining had already been tasked to look into flying discs. He arrived in NM on July 7. The fix was in.

G. In view of the above facts coupled with David's oustanding analysis, what was in Ramey's office was not what was discovered on the Foster Ranch by Mac Brazel and observed out there by Marcel and Cavitt. Bait and switch worked very well.

Pretty soon somebody will venture the notion that Marcel never was out at the ranch and and he and the sherrif's family and everybody else, lied about seeing anything, bringing anything back etc etc ad nauseum. After all he was just a flunky who happened to be the intelligence officer for the only Atomic Bombing group in the world. In addition, he was obsviously psychic and knew that if he told me a totally made up story he would become famous.

Balderdash.

Stan Friedman

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Telepathic Football Threatens Chilean Teens

From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <<u>ufomiami@prodigy.net></u> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 23:13:15 -0500 Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:22:18 -0500 Subject: Telepathic Football Threatens Chilean Teens

VILLA SAN RAFAEL, Chile (Wireless Flash) -- Forget Bigfoot or the Mothman. The newest paranormal creature is a four-legged football. Believe it or not, a creature matching that exact description has been sighted threatening teenagers in Villa San Rafael, Chile.

Researchers at the Calama UFO Center in Chile claim the mysterious menace has wings, a face like a large bulldog and is "shaped like a rugby football with legs."

Paranormal researcher Dr. Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo isn't sure if the creature is one of those goat-sucking chupacabras, but admits both animals telepathically communicate with humans.

The winged football is just one of hundreds of strange creatures that have been terrorizing Chile since 1999 and Dr. Sanchez-Ocejo suspects the mysterious beings are entering Chile through a dimensional doorway.

See story photos and sketch at:

http://www.geocities.com/ufomiami.geo/CREATURE.html

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New Zealand Returns

From: Bruce Maccabee <<u>brumac@compuserve.com></u> Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 23:59:15 -0500 Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:34:39 -0500 Subject: New Zealand Returns

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These are quite possibly the most documented civilian sightings in history. And my claim is simple:

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Re:

From: Bruce Maccabee

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Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 23:59:15 -0500

Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:39:37 -0500

Subject: Re:

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Re: Roswell Threads Pt I - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 02:39:43 EST
Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:39:13 -0500
Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I - Rudiak

Sorry about the extreme length of this response, but lots of important points are touched upon. It's been broken into two parts.

Part I:

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 19 Jan 2002 01:26:08 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com></u>
>>>Date: Fri, 18 Jan 2002 11:37:09 -700
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads - Hutchinson

>>>Brazel told the truth. He was used to finding piebald (painted) >>>weather balloons

>>How do you know that's what he had found?

>In his interview with the RDR, he mentioned that he had found on >two other occasions, "weather observation balloons". His use of >the term "observation" indicates that he had at least a passing >knowledge of the typical piebald balloon used by meteorologists->knowledge gained, no doubt, when he turned in the balloons for >the \$5 reward.

I still don't understand how you managed to deduce from this that he had previously found "painted" balloons (are you psychic?) and how these were somehow so highly different from the balloon he said he found, that he ended up disclaiming at the end of his interview that "what he found this time did not in _any way_ resemble either of these" other two weather balloons.

Besides, according to Brazel's daughter, Bessie Schreiber, they had previously found weather balloons with reward tags, suggesting these were radiosonde's, not bare piebald balloons.

>>>- not unpainted, 'smoky grey' neoprene high >>>altitude balloons. Standard weather balloon systems did not use >>>Rawins. They were tracked visually, and sent back data via a >>transponder. Finally, they were tagged for a \$5 return. If you >>consider what the wreckage of a portion of flight 4 looked like, >>especially with a shredded Rawin thrown in, compared to a >>brightly painted weather balloon, then we can understand why the >>true identity was not obvious to either Brazel or Marcel.

I didn't comment on this before, but if the balloons carried a "transponder", these were radiosondes. They were not tracked visually (except maybe initially) but by radio direction receivers. That way they could also determine wind direction and speed at various altitudes when the balloons were no longer visible. One purpose of using parachutes to lower the instruments after the balloons popped or deflated and also attaching reward tags, was so that the instruments would be returned for reuse.

The balloons used to loft the radiosonde instrument package were not typically "painted" or colored, since they weren't tracked visually. They were the same non-pigmented, "milky white" 350 gram neoprene meteorological balloons also used by the early Moguls. Hence we would not expect any physical difference in the appearance of the balloons Brazel previously found vs. what he claims he found in the Roswell incident, not that this makes a whole lot of difference. A balloon is still obviously going to be a balloon.

>>So you are saying a kid who has previously only seen red and >>green balloons wouldn't recognize a balloon if it were some >>other color? > >It was not just the color. First of all, the typical piebald >weather balloon was a single envelope system. When it came down >to earth, it would land more-or-less intact.

This is just gibberish. What the hell is a "single envelope system?" The neoprene balloons were exactly the same on typical radiosondes as those used on the early Moguls. And apparently Brazel had previously found radiosondes, since his daughter said the balloons carried reward tags.

Whether neoprene weather balloons came down intact or not seems to be largely a matter of chance. They degraded rapidly in sunlight, became very brittle in the extreme cold at high altitude, and usually popped or fragmented. Some slowly deflated and did come down more or less intact.

>The lower part of >the NYU train of 30-odd balloons, reflectors and payload, OTOH, >was intangled in rough terrain, shredding some of the balloons >and Rawins. After a Rawin or two and the ballast had broken off, >the rest of the train flew off.

I have dealt with this scenario in my new thread, "Mogul shredded." The scenario Bruce presents, when analyzed _logically_ and in detail, cannot possibly account for what was actually displayed in Fort Worth or what witnesses described from the field. See new post for excruciating details.

>The result was small pieces of a balloon material Mac had not >encountered before - rather than a single, reasonably intact >envelope. The Rawin(s) were also beat up- ripped and broken. >This is not what he had found twice before.

Except there were no small pieces of balloon in the Fort Worth photos, just an intact balloon. Furthermore Bruce's scenario calls for evidence of more than one shredded Rawin in the photos. But one Rawin accounts for _everything_ in the photos. It all adds up to exactly one Rawin. It is impossible to explain how exactly one shredded Rawin could be left behind while the other Rawins escaped completely unscathed. See "Mogul shredded" for discussion.

>>That seems to be what you are saying. Two grown men >>couldn't tell they had found a balloon. Blanchard at the base >>couldn't recognize a balloon either, nor I imagine other people >>there who probably saw the debris.

>I keep in mind that the key to the whole incident was trying to >solve the mystery of the 'Flying Disks'. Like the Circleville >farmer, Marcel thought that the debris was the solution. The >question was not, then, "is this balloon material" but rather is >this what people have been seeing, and reporting, as a 'Flying >Disk'.

Except Marcel and others, like Rickett in his office, and Gen. Exon, made statements to the effect that the material was "not of this Earth." Marcel's son also recounted how his father woke them up in the middle of the night because he was excited about the flying saucer that had been found. It's hard to imagine a grown man waking his family to show them obvious tinfoil, paper, Scotch tape, balsa wood, and rubber balloons, unless, of course, you are in Debunker Denial.

>To answer a bit more literally - what Marcel brought in was some >shredded fragments of a balloon ("the biggest was about the size >of a basketball" - Bessie Brazel Schreiber)

But these "shredded fragments of a balloon" aren't in the Fort Worth photos.

>- not a 'complete'
>balloon.

Then why do the photos seem to show a complete, relatively intact singular balloon?

>It was also liberally mixed with the remains of the >Rawin. Unless you knew precisely what this came from, it would >be hard for Marcel- or anyone else - to immediately conclude >that the debris came from two separate items.

I'm sorry, but this is so incredibly stupid, it's laughable.

>>Incidentally, Marcel was quite familiar with electronics, being >>a radio ham. So if there had been a radiosonde in the debris, he >>probably would have recognized it.

>Possibly - this, or the ballast, could be the mysterious 'black >box' that Cavitt is reputed to have taken back with him.

The ballast should have been cut loose on descent and dropped many miles away, according to Mogul engineering diagrams. The Air Force and Charles Moore of Mogul tried to ascribe the "black box" to the black radiosonde battery packs. One trouble with this is Marcel, the old radio ham, would certainly have recognized it as such from the wires emerging from the pack or electrical contacts on the surface of any battery pack. See "Mogul shredded."

>>He had also taken a
>>month-long radar intelligence course at the end of the war and
>>one of his job titles was radar-intelligence officer. He would
>>no doubt be familiar with the foil/paper chaff used in radar
>>jamming, since part of his course involved radar
>>countermeasures.

>Immaterial -

Amazing how you blithely dismiss this point with the wave of your hand as "immaterial." Even if Marcel knew nothing of radar targets, he could have reasoned by analogy with what he did know. The obvious similarity between the material used to make radar chaff (paper/foil) and radar targets (paper/foil) could logically lead to the conclusion that he was dealing with another type of radar device. Paper/foil was also used in common civilian items like chewing gum and fiberglass insulation. Certainly, he would not jump to the conclusion that it was something unearthly. Neither would Col. Blanchard for that matter.

>No matter what he found, had it been an alien ship, >could have had an earthly analog. Again - what Marcel found was, >in his mind, the solution to the 'Flying Disk' question.

This is so garbled, I don't know what's being said here. Marcel thought they had found a flying saucer of unearthly origin because the _physical properties_ of the material did not match anything made by man, not because he had allegedly never seen a radar target or weather balloon before. Marcel was not the only person to describe such properties either.

I would like to reemphasize this point. If there had been nothing to back up Marcel's story, it would have been dismissed long ago as the ravings of a single loony. Roswell is _not_ just the story of Jesse Marcel. There are a lot of witnesses and documentation backing up Marcel's story (see, e.g., "Mogul shredded" for how a computer analysis of the Fort Worth photos clearly supports Marcel's story of a balloon and target being substituted by Ramey to get the press off their backs).

>>So here's the scenario you seem to be trying to paint. Marcel
>>comes across some obvious balloon material, but supposedly can't
>>recognize it because it is grey. He is also completely unable to
>>recognize aluminum foil laminated to paper, even though it's the
>>same stuff used in the radar chaff, or to wrap chewing gum for
>>that matter. He also apparently couldn't recognize balsa wood
>>and Scotch tape, two more "exotic" materials used to make the
>>Rawins.

>>From this he jumps to the conclusion that he must have found

>>a flying saucer.

>Yep.

The standard debunking line. Debunkers are such a gullible bunch, going through incredible, contortions of logic to support their religious beliefs.

There are so many things so patently absurd with this theory it would take too long to cover them all. Let's just mention three. First, others backed up Marcel's descriptions of anomalous debris, including a general (Exon), who likewise said this was the crash of a spacecraft. How could so many people, some not even knowing one another, be so wrong in exactly the same way?

Second, Cavitt was with Marcel and claims to have instantly recognized the debris as coming from a weather balloon. Seeing that his friend Marcel was obviously going gah gah over tinfoil, paper, balsa, and rubber balloons and jumping to the conclusion this was an unearthly flying saucer, why didn't Cavitt shake Marcel real hard and say, "Jesse, it's just a goddamn weather balloon, for crying out loud!" And why didn't Cavitt brief Col. Blanchard of same when he got back to the base? Why would Cavitt remain mute?

Third, even if we assume Marcel went into a fugue state and kept pushing that this was a real flying saucer leading to the subsequent melt-down and public embarrassment of his superiors, why do we see absolutely <u>no</u> evidence of this in Marcel's subsequent service record? He would have been branded a fool, an incompetent, unreliable, somebody who couldn't think straight, and this surely would have shown up in some fashion in his subsequent service evaluations and assignments. But no, quite the opposite. See below for more details.

>It was not that he couldn't recognize, or at least, make a >guess, on the identity of an individual piece taken out of the >context, but that as a whole, he had 'solved' the 'Flying Disk' >puzzle. And despite your treatise on Rawins in the Southwest, he >obviously did not recognize what he had as a radar target.

>>Somehow he convinces base commander Blanchard of the same thing,
>>and Blanchard, for unimaginable reasons, issues the press
>>release.

>What if our intrepid Major, having 'solved' the puzzle, bypasses >Blanchard and gets Haut to write and release the news on his >(Marcel's) authority?

Classic insubordination, a court-martial offense. This would be entirely outside of standard protocol for the issuing of major press releases, all of which were cleared through Blanchard's office. That would have been it for both Marcel and Haut right there.

>No version of the release mentions >Blanchard, but it does identify Marcel.

So? It also mentions the Sheriff and rancher being involved as principles in the case. Did they also have a hand in writing the release?

Furthermore it is _false_ that Marcel was identified in all reported versions of the press release. Marcel was not identified by United Press, whose telexes and stories spoke initially only of the intelligence office, "a major" in the office, and multiple "intelligence officers" being involved.

The press various release versions also mention the "flying disk" being flown to "higher headquarters" by B-29. How did Marcel manage that without authorization from above? Did he also commandeer a plane or convince still others to go along with his self-promoting, egotistical scheme? Marcel must have been a criminal mastermind.

Finally Marcel was never blamed by anybody for the press release. United Press always referred to it as Col. Blanchard's release and said it was Blanchard who used the term "flying disk." (Apparently the evil Marcel had also hoodwinked Blanchard with his fantasies that rubber, tinfoil, etc. came from a real flying disk.) In contrast, after Ramey began identifying the object as a weather balloon and radar target, Associated Press began blaming Haut for the press release, claiming rather absurdly that he had seen the object, misidentified it, and issued the release on his own initiative. It was never suggested in any press story that Marcel had any hand in the release.

>He also indicated to >Moore (you mention this below), that Haut had alrady leaked the >story to the press anuway.

That was the message put out by AP -- Haut was responsible, and maybe Marcel thought 30 years later that that is how the story leaked. In another interview later on, he said he had been informed otherwise (perhaps by interviewers) and thought that maybe something else had happened.

Your insinuation here is that Marcel leaked the story to Haut, but Marcel's actual statement was one of extreme annoyance over the story leaking out and reporters showing up at his house and asking his wife questions.

Marcel, incidentally, received three commendations for Operation Crossroads, the Bikini A-bomb tests the year before, all of them mentioning his key role in setting up security for the project. (The famous Admiral Blandy, who headed up the operation, issued his commendation _after_ Roswell. Another commendation came from Gen. Ramey, you know, _the_ Gen. Ramey.) Does this sound like a man who would leak a story to the base PIO for self-glory?

If this had happened, Marcel's ass would have been fried but good.

>>Cavitt, who was with Marcel and claims he realized it
>>was a weather balloon all along, can't be bothered to ever tell
>>Marcel this, or Blanchard either. This doesn't sound like an
>>elite AF base charged with flying A-bombs -- it sounds like F
>>Troop.

Point ignored by Bruce, but a very obvious and important point.

>>The press release causes a press feeding frenzy that not only
>>descended on Roswell, but Gen. Ramey and the Eighth AF in Fort
>>Worth, and into the upper reaches of the Pentagon, including
>>acting Chief of Staff Vandenberg. There were going to be some
>>awfully angry generals demanding answers and some scalps for
>>such a colossal and embarrassing foul-up.

>Well - it sure did catch the generals by surprise,

Did it? Or did people like Gen. Ramey just feign surprise? Actually, AP reported that Blanchard had communicated the find to Ramey, as would be expected, and Ramey ordered the 'disk' flown to Fort Worth _before_ the release. So Ramey knew about the 'disk' all along.

Surely Blanchard would also inform his superior that he intended to put out a press release, and again following the chain of command, seek approval from Ramey for doing this.

>when they >learned of the 'disk' from enquiring reporters.

None of this should have caught Ramey by surprise, and he certainly did not learn of it from reporters.

>They were
>understandably curious. But it is evident that Marcel (and C/O
>Blanchard) was not punished for his enthusiasm.

This is another important point you so blithely brush off as if it were inconsequential.

>>But absolutely nothing happened afterwards. There was no
>>investigation. There were no reports written explaining what had
>>happened.

>Why would there be? Ramey had investigated and discovered the >simple misidentification. Press was notified, superiors got a >good chuckle, case closed. It was a mere blip on the screen for >military people.

This is utter nonsense and nothing but spin. I'm sure Gen. Vandenberg, for one, would have been furious. The newspapers described how the Pentagon was inundated with calls well into the night. Vandenberg himself had to interrupt his busy schedule to handle the situation, and newspapers reported him going to the Pentagon AAF press room to take charge and place calls to Roswell and Fort Worth.

Ramey should also have been mad as hell. His routine and his command got thrown into turmoil as well. Having a monumental public screw-up like that at one of his elite subcommands was going to make him look bad, and people were going to be held to account.

But with typical DebunkerLand magical thinking, the generals were all jovial and nice guys. People could screw-up big-time and even be insubordinate, and all was immediately forgiven. There were no investigations, no reports written, and nobody got called on the carpet.

Is this the same outfit that beat the Nazis 2 years before?

>>Marcel got recommissioned and year later was still on >>the job as head of intelligence at Roswell. Both the SAC and the >>Pentagon wanted him for higher intelligence work. The SAC wrote >>the Pentagon they already had him in mind for a "key" position. >>The SAC briefly made him chief of some sort of foreign air >>intelligence division. This is a man who supposedly couldn't >>recognize rubber balloons, chewing gum wrapper material, Scotch >>tape, and wood used to make kid's kites.

Another important point brushed off.

>>As this was happening, senior officers were writing reviews of >>Marcel. Blanchard's review the following spring and that summer >>were the best of Marcel's career to that point. He called him >>"highly dependable" and gave him superior ratings on his >>ability to reach logical decisions. Does this sound like >>somebody who couldn't identify a balloon as a balloon?

>Forgive me if this is not exactly the terminology used, but: >Marcel was also ranked #3 out three command officers, and it was >noted that he sometimes tended to let his imagination get the >better of him - something to that effect. (I lost my copy of his >fitness report in last year's hard drive crash).

I will deal with the _actual_ statement and the _rest of the evaluation_ below, because this is not what it says. The statement and evaluation certainly do _not_ indicate that Marcel "tended to let his imagination get the better of him." Again, quite the opposite.

I posted Marcel's evaluations to the Net several years ago, but the Web site is down, and I will be reposting them soon to my own Website.

First point: Blanchard rated Marcel third out of four officers of similar rank also rated by Blanchard. The criterion was "future overall usefulness to the Army."

This doesn't tell us much unless you know who the other officers were and what criteria Blanchard used to rate their "future overall usefulness."

E.g., Marcel was a WWII draftee. Most other higher-ranking officers at Roswell were career military officers and West Point graduates. The West Point graduates will automatically get a leg up in promotion over the draftees.

Second, this was the Air Force and Blanchard was a highly decorated WWII bomber pilot. The Air Force automatically favors the "fly-boys" over the non-pilots. Marcel lacked a pilot's rating, so officers with pilot's ratings were going to be favored over the non-rated officers. Ramey alluded to this a few months later. He called Marcel command officer material, but also indicated he wouldn't make general because he lacked a pilot's rating. This didn't mean he thought less of him, just that this was a fact of life in the Air Force. Fliers were preferred over non-fliers. Third, Roswell was considered an elite base, and everybody was handpicked, including Marcel, because of their primary mission (A-bomber base). Marcel faced unusually stiff competition. It is my impression (though perhaps wrong) that an unusually high proportion of Roswell career officers eventually reached the upper ranks of command. (Perhaps someone like Kevin Randle or Stan Friedman has some statistics on this.)

Blanchard, e.g., became a full general and was destined to be the next AF Chief of Staff in 1967 before being cut down by a heart attack just months before. Blanchard's successor at Roswell was Col. John Ryan, who did become AF C/S after Blanchard died. He also became Chairman of the Joint Chiefs. (Ryan, incidentally, was another of those officers who didn't think Marcel was a dufus. A year later, as Ryan was taking over and Marcel was being transferred to Washington for higher intelligence, Ryan wrote that Marcel's career had been "most outstanding and most exemplary."

>BTW - I was not a model soldier in my three year military career >- no actual crimes were committed, but I definitely was not a >candidate for a recruitment poster. But you sure would not have >known that from my fitness reports! Almost all "Outstanding".

So you are saying that if any officer is called "outstanding," this proves that they aren't really "outstanding" because nobody caught on to your "shortcomings?"

On the other hand, according to you, Marcel's "shortcomings" were fully exposed by the Roswell incident. He was "impulsive" and let his imagination run away with him. And he was insubordinate (allegedly got Haut to issue an important press release without authorization from Blanchard or any higher-ups).

After observing this behavior in Marcel, what does Blanchard do? He boosts his rating of Marcel in his next evaluation. He and Dubose recommend him for promotion, and Dubose recommends him for command officer training.

>>Col. Dubose who indorsed Blanchard's first evaluation, >>recommended him for Air Command and Staff School. Both Blanchard >>and Dubose had earlier recommended his promotion to Lt. Col. in >>the AF Reserve.

>I believe it is more correct that they endorsed Marcel's request >for the promotion in the AF Reserve.

Hair splitting from Bruce Hutchinson. Both wrote simply "recommend approval" to Marcel's application. If he was really the screw-up Hutchinson tries to portray, why would they "endorse" or "recommend" promotion to the rank of Lt. Colonel? That's the question he is evading. It doesn't fit his cartoon portrait of Marcel.

Also notice how he dodges the point about Dubose recommending Marcel for Air Command and Staff School in Marcel's next evaluation. This is not something Marcel applied for. Why would Dubose recommend a screw-up for command officer training?

This was followed four months later by Ramey's personal comments that he thought Marcel command officer material based on the "calibre and nature" of his "past performance and progress."

These guys seem to have forgotten that, according to Bruce Hutchinson, Marcel, screwed up a simple balloon ID, was "impulsive" (see below) and insubordinate, having gone outside of channels and put up the base PIO to issuing an unauthorized press release, disrupted the Pentagon right up to the top responding to the press furor following the press release, and after all that, all was forgiven, they recommend promotion, command officer training, make him chief of an air intelligence division, etc., etc. The military sure has a sense of humor.

>>So all the officers who would have known whether Marcel had >>screwed up are instead praising him. Ramey's statements are >>especially telling here.

>Marcel's 'screw up' was evidently not viewed as detrimental to >his career. But then, why should it?

Maybe because it would suggest he was a fool and also rashly jumped to illogical conclusions, neither very good qualities for an intelligence officer. But his evaluations say otherwise. See below.

>The Incident was >evidentially viewed as the efforts of a 'go-getum' officer >trying to solve the Flying Disk puzzle that had swept the nation >over the past two weeks. In any event, it is obvious that the >Incident had no lasting effect on the military. So why should >they punish anyone for the gaff?

Well for starters, according to you, he went outside of channels and convinced Walter Haut to issue the press release without authorization from higher up. That's not a simple screw-up; that's insubordination and a court-martial offense.

Believe me, if any of this cartoonish portrayal of Marcel was true, there would have been no endorsement for promotion, no recommendations for command officer training, no upgrading of his evaluations, no statements from Ramey a year later that he was "outstanding," command officer material, and he had nobody to replace him, etc., etc.

Even if they decided not to court-martial Marcel (and Haut) for insubordination and keep things quiet, you can bet your tootsies they would have removed him as head of intelligence at Roswell and then quietly let him go when his commission ran out the following spring.

>>It should also be pointed out that Marcel wasn't alone in
>>thinking the material was anomalous. E.g., Bill Brazel Jr.
>>reported independently the exact same physical properties as
>>Marcel for the debris fragments he found afterwards. Bill
>>Rickett, one of the CIC men in Marcel's office, spoke of the
>>thin metal material he was unable to bend. Gen. Arthur Exon said
>>he was informed of the physical properties of the material while
>>he was at Wright Field. Some of the descriptions matched those
>>of Marcel. Obviously, they wouldn't be testing an aluminum foil
>>radar target at the Wright Field labs.

>>These were just a few of the witnesses to the anomalous debris. >>But like a typical Roswell debunker, you make it sound like this >>was only Marcel's story.

>Nope - but the tales of the other Witnesses, particularly people >like Bill Brazel, Marcel Jr,, and Bessie are interesting because >the core of their stories describe debris that matches Mac >Brazel's descriptions, and the stuff on Gen Ramey's floor.

Only if you gloss over the actual details of what the totality of witnesses described and ignore the obvious discrepancies between the photos and these descriptions.

>>>Brazel initially dismissed his find as junk.

>>Says who?

>Bessie.

Countered by Floyd and Loretta Proctor, actual adults at the time, not a child, who said Brazel was totally mystified by what he had found and already mentioning physical properties totally inconsistent with a fragile radar target and balloon material. He couldn't cut anything with a knife. Nothing would burn. (Loretta Proctor has also stated Bessie wasn't at the ranch at the time and got her story "all mixed up.")

Frank Joyce in Roswell also has long said he spoke to Brazel by phone when Brazel first arrived in Roswell. Brazel, according to Joyce, was in a highly emotional state, for one thing being extremely upset over the huge quantity of debris that needed to be cleaned up.

Marcel likewise indicated that he and Cavitt only collected a fraction of it. In 1947, AP quoted Marcel as saying the debris "was scattered over a square mile."

Then we get to Mack Brazel's interview. In it, he states that he had already gathered everything up into only two small bundles before going to Roswell. If that was the case, why didn't he

just bring those with him to Roswell when he reported it? Instead, Roswell's two top intel officers have to go back with him to collect it.

Now honestly, look at the photos and tell me if that isn't something that he couldn't have gathered up in five minutes. Why would Marcel describe it as being scattered over a square mile?

Then Brazel says that that was the last he heard of it until the story broke. Have you ever asked yourself how he could have heard about it in the middle of nowhere with no radio and no phone? Did he have a satellite dish?

Then after hearing about it, the normally taciturn Brazel __immediatedly__jumps in his truck and heads into Roswell to set the record straight (why would he do this?), arriving just in time hours later for his interview that evening.

And all this, because he allegedly only found a few scraps of "junk" shown in the Fort Worth photos.

End Part I

David Rudiak

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>>Well UP quoted Wilcox as claiming Brazel thought it might be a
>>"weather meter." But Brazel contradicted this statement by
>>Wilcox in his interview later that evening. According to the
>>Roswell Daily Record story, Brazel said that "'whispered kinda
>>confidential like'" to Wilcox "that he might have found a flying
>>disk." No "weather meter" here.

>Of course not. Brazel was telling Wilcox about this stuff he had >found that might get him the rewards.

If he was so eager to collect that reward, why didn't he bring those two small bundles with him to show what he had found? That would have been the logical thing to do.

Furthermore, under Ramey's orders, Marcel told a story of Brazel's find, which you will find detailed in numerous AP stories. Brazel had first gathered up the material and thrown it under some brush. Brazel first heard of the saucers in Corona on Saturday night, and then immediately rushed back to "dig up" the material first thing Sunday (I'm not making this up). According to Brazel this was 8 miles from his ranch house, so some effort would have been involved in retrieving this.

Then after "rushing back" to recover his find some distance from his ranch house, what does Brazel do? Does he immediately go to Roswell. No, he waits another day, according to the story. More astoundingly, he fails to take those bundles with him to show what he has found after rushing back and going out of his way to get them.

How believable is this fable?

>>More tellingly, at the very end of the interview, he
>>categorically denied that it was a weather balloon. "Brazel said
>>that he had previously found two weather observation balloons on
>>the ranch, but that what he found this time did not in any way
>>resemble either of these. 'I am sure that what I found was not
>>any weather observation balloon.'"

>And he was right.

No, all that was shown in Fort Worth was a single Rawin and a single balloon, which was identified by weather officer Newton as a standard Rawin weather observation balloon. Thus what was shown _was_ an observation balloon.

>>So if he never though it was any sort of weather balloon, why
>>would he tell Wilcox he thought it might be a "weather meter"?
>>And why would he instead, when interviewed, claim he had told
>>Wilcox that he thought he had found a flying disk?

>[fiction]

>"Say Sheriff - I might have found what those folks in the papers
>have been looking for - you know, a Flying Disk? Never seen
>anything like this before,

Sorry, but a rubber balloon is a rubber balloon is a rubber balloon. And why didn't he simply bring in the retrieved bundles and show what he had found?

>and it sure had been flying before it >crashed at the ranch. Kinda looks a little like a weather meter, >but you never know."

>[end fiction]

>>Immediately above, you claim Brazel thought it meteorological.
>>Now your claiming he turned it in as a flying disk. Make up your
>>mind.

>See above.

Right, it truly is fiction. Makes no sense. Brazel _explicitly_ disavowed ever thinking it was a weather device in the Daily Record article. Yet the Sheriff claimed Brazel came in saying he thought it might be a "weather meter."

Sheriff Wilcox, when pushed for a more detailed description by somebody from AP, declined to answer, saying he was "working with those fellows at the base." AP reporter Jason Kellahin likewise said Wilcox (whom he knew well) wouldn't discuss the matter with him because the military had told him not to talk about it. Wilcox's family tell us he was coerced. Anything Wilcox was quoted as saying, such as Brazel claiming to have found a "weather meter" should be treated with extreme caution, since he was obviously not acting as an independent agent at that point.

Why wouldn't Wilcox discuss anything further if this was just "junk" and Brazel allegedly thought it might be a "weather meter?"

<snip>

>As I mentioned above, the most likely scenario has the Mogul >train drifting down with many of the balloons still intact. Once >the ballast and a Rawin or two was torn off, the remaining >balloons, and Rawin(s), ascended again and flew off. Brazel >certainly did not find a complete NYU train, just a portion of >it.

See my new thread, "Mogul shredded," for a detailed discussion as to why this scenario is preposterous.

<snip>

>I find it curious that Shandara, who was working to prove the >UFO hypothesis, gets such short shrift from you and Kevin. I >wonder what your opinions would be of his account if he had >published the exact opposite - without supporting tapes. But >here we have a fellow that is working hard to get a different >answer from Col DuBose, and got the "wrong" answer. It is to his >credit that he published his notes anyway, even if it was >detrimental to his case.

His and Moore's "cause" at the time was to prove that this was the real Roswell debris. Lo and behold, Shandera claims Dubose confirms in his interview that this was the real debris from Roswell, in contradiction to every other interview Dubose ever did. What a coincidence!

Furthermore, Dubose's alleged interview statements are not presented as paraphrases or summaries from notes. They given as a very lengthy and detailed transcript, as if it was taken from a tape of the interview. But Shandera can't or won't produce a tape, and likewise for any notes. Under the circumstances, one is left with the distinct impression that the transcript and Dubose's alleged statements were largely confabulated by Shandera. Why else would he refuse to present the documentation?

>And despite your research that shows the Southwest was lousy

>with Rawins, nothing you have turned up indicates that Marcel >had knowledge of them. When he found the stuff, he was intrigued >and curious "he tried to make a kite".

Nothing you have turned up indicates he wasn't. Can you explain to us how you know for a fact that Marcel didn't know about radar targets or even ordinary rubber weather balloons? Is this another of those amazing debunker psychic abilities where they hold seances with he dead or use remote viewing to follow people around in the past every moment of their lives to determine what they did or did not know?

I have already pointed out that one of Marcel's MOS's was radar intelligence officer and was probably familiar with the same foil/paper material used to make radar chaff, as were many other WWII AF personnel. Dubose, e.g., in Fort Worth, noted they the similarity to foil radar chaff and also to devices they used on life rafts to facilitate air-sea rescue work. Finding similar foil paper even on an unfamiliar device might logically lead to the conclusion that it was some sort of radar device.

The Rawins were also used at Operation Crossroads, where Marcel was primary briefing officer. He might have been aware of them from there.

Besides this misses the major point. All anybody had to know was that these were ordinary materials, recognizable to the average 5 year old: rubber balloons, Scotch tape, tinfoil, paper, and balsa wood used to make kites. No average person, much less a trained intelligence officer, would ever jump to the conclusion that this was anything like the reported flying saucers flying at supersonic speeds.

>>Now how could all this be (including Kirton's overly early
>>"final" identification and announcement of the special flight
>>cancellation) unless the whole thing was a set-up from the
>>beginning?

>Press release hits papers - Ramey notified. Ramey talks to his
>staff, and Blanchard (and/or Marcel, Cavitt, etc) via phone.
>Descriptions are made, and a consensus is arrived at that it
>looks like a wrecked radar target. Marcel and debris are ordered
>to Ft Worth to confirm tentative identification, and to give
>better credence to all future press releases.

>While Ramey waits, phones are ringing off the hook. Ramey, >Kirton, and possibly others take a few of the calls and calm >some semi-hysterical reporters with the tentative >identification.

>Sure the above is speculation, but it fits how intelligent men >would have handled such a situation, fits the available >evidence,

Nice try, but displays your usual disregard of details. There would be no time for this _after_ the release hit the wires. From the moment the story became public to when Newton's official ID went out was only three hours. Photos were being taken within two hours, and Ramey was claiming the debris was already in his office barely an hour later.

So unless the 8th AAF had one of those supersonic saucers at their disposal all prepped and ready to go, your scenario is not only impossible, it's ridiculous.

And if such a hypothetical discussion and identification had been made _well before_ the release hit the wire (to provide the necessary time for everything to have occurred), then you can bet your tootsies, there would have been immediate calls to the Roswell news outlets and the release pulled.

>and is supported by later missives from Twining and >Schulgen, who knew that the U.S. did not have any crashed alien >ships.

Why would there be any mention of "crashed alien ships" in documents classified at a lower level than "Top Secret"? Besides Schulgen never brought this up in his "missives." This seems to be another of your usual inventions of "facts."

>>Furthermore, they didn't just call it a weather balloon. They >>specifically identified it as a radar target and also used the

>>term Rawin device back in 1947. Newton did and so did Kirton >>earlier on.

>The majority of the papers carried the 'official' weather >balloon story - no mention of targets. That was the "cover story" >that DuBose was referring to.

Absolutely false! Where do you get such notions? Virtually every news story of July 9 carried the official radar target identification by Newton often coupled with a repeat of the identification by Ramey.

E.g., roughly two-thirds of the nation's newspapers carried one of several AP versions of the event, with the following identification by Newton: "Warrant Officer Irving Newton of Medford, Wis., a forecaster at the base weather station, said the object was a ray wind [sic] target used to determine the direction and velocity of winds at high altitudes."

And the United Press story (add about another 20% of the nation's newspapers) wrote: "Brigadier General Roger B. Ramey... said... that he believed the object was the "remnant of a weather balloon and a radar reflector," and was "nothing to be excited about."

This was followed immediately by: "Later, Warrant Officer Irving Newton... examined the object and said definitely that it was nothing but a badly smashed target used to determine the direction and velocity of high altitude winds."

>>>>That contradicts what Marcel initially told Moore and Pratt. >>>>Jessies' first version was that the pictures of him were the >>>>'real' stuff. It was only later that he changed his story.

>>Marcel never said anything like this to Bob Pratt. The subject
>>never came up in Pratt's interview. Where did you get this false
>>tidbit?

>An error on my part.

Apology accepted. But its also exactly like your gaffe about Schulgen above or the papers not carrying a Rawin identification. Also, unfortunately, errors like that about Marcel are commonplace amongst debunkers. Then they get repeated by other debunkers, all wanting to believe the worst possible about Marcel. Nobody seems to do any independent investigation or thinking. They just repeat what they hear from others, whether there is any truth to it or not. A highly distorted portrait of him then emerges. Below you will see Hutchinson, e.g., misrepresent Marcel's service evaluation by Blanchard and also label Marcel as "impulsive."

>>>Well, Marcel - in person - repeated this initial statement in the >>>movie 'UFOs are Real'.

>>Well, if you can speculate, I can speculate too. Suppose=85.

>Ummmm, so you are saying we have a 'confused' Marcel here? >Confused about what? And just how much of the story he told >Moore reflected this confusion?

No more than any other normal human being recalling something from 30 years before. For a highly unusual and emotional event (e.g. Sept. 11, Kennedy assassination, etc.), people generally remember the overall event fairly accurately but have trouble with some of the details. Typically times and orders of events can get confused. Thus Marcel saying in "The Roswell Incident" he arrived back at the base in the early evening and the press release already having gone out.

Incidentally, recently I have been looking rather intensively at the various Fort Worth photos. Based on the positions of the chairs to the rear of the room and the position of some debris displayed on the floor, Marcel's two known photos are clearly most similar to the one of Irving Newton, who was photographed last and by another photographer.

What this suggests to me is that the two photos of Marcel were taken after, not before, the four of Ramey and Ramey/Dubose.

The point? Marcel recalled, according to Moore, being

photographed with the "real" debris, this then being removed and replaced with the shill weather balloon and radar target. Marcel then recalled Ramey and Dubose being photographed with the balloon.

However, if the photos of Marcel with the balloon were actually taken _after_ those of Ramey/Dubose, then _maybe_ my theory of earlier, internal, nonpublic photos has some support.

30 years later, Marcel remembers only the earlier photos or maybe compresses the two photo sessions into one (a typical memory error, confusing two similar and closely-spaced events as one).

As to whether Marcel could still confuse finding a balloon with a flying saucer 30 years later -- no way. One also has to explain in a _plausible_ way how the same "confusion" over anomalous physical properties somehow extended to independent witnesses. Case in point, Bill Brazel, interviewed at about the same time by Moore, living a thousand miles away, never knowing Marcel or meeting him, giving virtually identical physical descriptions to the debris, the debris field, and the preceding explosion that caused it. I find it virtually impossible to explain such remarkable similarity of stories to confused memory processes. Memory confusion should create radically different stories, not essentially the same one.

>>On the other hand, most of what Marcel recounted in his
>>interviews tracked quite well with what can be determined from
>>his military file, news articles of the day, and interviews with
>>other witnesses. Marcel's story has a lot of corroborating
>>evidence.

>Most? Pilot? Air Ace with 5 kills? Degree from Georgetown?

Yes indeed most. Most of Marcel's so-called "lies" are flagrant misrepresentations of Marcel's record and words, originally started by Robert Todd, but continuing into the present, including by you in your misrepresentation of his evaluation by Blanchard.

As to the "pilot", "5 kills" and degree from Georgetown, all this stems from one hasty, incompletely transcribed interview by Bob Pratt, assumption of 100% accuracy in that existing transcription (Ever done a transcription from tape? Words get garbled and are difficult to interpret, inflections can get lost in print, and inappropriate punctuation can get added, all of which can alter the intended meaning), and finally debunker propaganda spin.

I can't get into this in great detail, but very briefly:

"Pilot": Marcel _never_ claimed to be an Air Force pilot, only an intelligence officer. His record confirms he flew on _combat_ bombing missions over a ten month period, coincident with the two air medals he received and his bronze star. All he ever said about this was that he "WAS" the bomb wing intelligence officer (fact) and flew at times "AS" (not that he "was") a pilot on the bombing missions (for non-rated personnel to occasionally fly co-pilot is a lot more common than debunkers will acknowledge --Eisenhower did it when stationed in the Philippines with MacArthur, to cite but one example, and later earned a pilot's rating).

"Air Ace with 5 kills:" Except for Pratt's interview, nobody can recall Marcel ever making the claim that he received "five air medals because I shot down five enemy aircraft in combat." Marcel's son, e.g., remembers him claiming to have shot down only one. Marcel's record shows two air medals, during his combat bombing missions under fire (as stated in the wording of the air medals), so his claim of taking over the waist gun from a dead gunner and shooting down one Japanese plane is not out of the question. Air medals can be issued for singular acts of merit (though Robert Todd _falsely_ claimed they were issued only for lengthy air service.) Kevin Randle has also pointed out from personal experience that his record only shows him receiving 2 air medals, though in reality he received many more than this. Finally, virtually in the same breath as the air medals, Marcel barely mentioned his bronze star, a higher award. He certainly didn't inflate the reason for receiving it either, such as taking out a machine gun nest. All he said was that he

got it for re-teaching green personnel direct from the States on how to fly combat. Finally he mentioned only two of his three commendations for Operation Crossroads and the "boasting" Marcel somehow neglected to mention who he got them from, namely Gen.'s Ramey and Kepner, and Admiral Blandy who headed the whole thing up, was a very famous WWII Admiral and post-war commander of the Pacific and Atlantic Fleets. You would think a "mythomaniac" like Marcel trying to inflate his record would at least drop a few names and invent a more heroic reason for getting the Bronze Star, in conjunction with the alleged, one-time claim of shooting down 5 Japanese planes. Conclusion: Who knows? Perhaps it was a one-time boast, but given the lack of boasting by Marcel about the rest of his medals, I think it more likely was a Pratt transcription error. E.g., Marcel tended not to elaborate and spoke in a clipped fashion, often leaving out words. Perhaps what he really said was "I have five air medals... shot down enemy aircraft in combat," and Pratt filled in what he thought were the blanks and transcribed it as "I have five air medals (because I) shot down (five) enemy aircraft in combat." Karl Pflock did the same thing to the Pratt interview, filling in blanks as to what he thought Marcel meant when he dropped words (even filling in Pratt's incompletely transcribed questions), the danger being this can unintentionally alter the meaning.

"Degree from Georgetown:" This is the only interview where the subject of Marcel's education came up. Pratt's transcript has an unusual amount of garbling here, the original transcript reading:

...degree in nuclear physics (bachelors) at completed work at GW Univ in Wash. attended (LSU, Houston, U of Wis, NY Univ, Ohio, docotr pool? and GW...)"

This doesn't even look like direct quoting anymore, but something assembled from notes. It was obvious Pratt was having difficulty understanding what was being said and it comes off as ambiguous in part. Did Marcel say he got a degree from GWU or just that he completed work there? Did he actually say he physically "attended" the universities Pratt listed in parentheses? Historically, Marcel was stationed in Washington only a few blocks from GWU from 1949 to 1950 when he was with the Special Weapons Project. From my own investigations, GWU says they have no record of him attending classes or having a degree. But on the other hand, his record lists him as an "Assistant for Atomic Energy" during this period, according to his job description was the primary briefing officer and responsible for writing reports for upper brass on all changes in intelligence, and needed to know some nuclear physics to do his job, since the project's purpose was to determine if the Soviets had a bomb, and this involved, among other things, monitoring of isotopes from atmospheric fallout. I also found out from one of the GWU professors there, that GWU nuclear physicist George Gamow taught off-campus seminars and made special arrangements for Washington-based military personnel to take classwork off-campus, and a number earned degrees that way. Gamow's nuclear physics class was also a night course (got that from a course catalog), and Marcel could have walked over there in 5 minutes after work, maybe just audited it to learn more to do his job better. A possible connection between Gamow and Marcel may also extend back to Operation Crossroads, which both attended, where Marcel also served as primary intelligence briefing officer for the operation (Ramey commented as to the perfection of the briefings). His commendations noted his compilation and dissemination of many complex intelligence reports. This obviously doesn't prove Marcel's education claims, but does show he was highly intelligent and no dummy, including in matters pertaining to nuclear energy. Given just his service background, he probably knew a lot more than the average AF intelligence officer about it.

>Final point - Maj. Marcel was not a stupid person. He was >reasonably intelligent, and a competent officer.

Typical backhanded compliment, but reasonably accurate. Indeed he was not a stupid person. Most who knew him considered him highly intelligent. Even Cavitt spontaneously mentioned this in his A.F. interview. And here's a sample comment from his evaluator when he was with the Special Weapons Project. He wrote, "He is a very intelligent officer and has a very wide range of capabilities. He has had experience in the intelligence field in almost all its aspects from the lowest to the highest limits. He has an excellent technical background [where did he get it?], is a first class cartographer, draftsman, illustrator, and presentation man."

>He was also impulsive, and had a good imagination.

As seems to be your habit, you are just making this up. On the contrary, his service evaluations indicate a very sober, logical, and methodical person not given to being "impulsive." To cite but a few examples: On Blanchard's evaluation of Marcel the next spring, his personal comments describe Marcel as "A quiet, mature field grade officer. Exceptionally well qualified in his duty assignments," and "superior moral qualities." (And on his next evaluation a few months later, Blanchard said Marcel was "highly dependable", "serious minded", "very highly qualified" and "highly recommended for intelligence work at higher levels")

Under numerical ratings, he was rated "excellent" in being "responsible in an emergency calling for initiative, coolness, forceful leadership," and "plan all aspects of a military situation, using judgment, initiative, and coolness."

He was also rated "excellent" in another section on the characteristic "degree to which he is able to meet situations without bias and without emotional upset." And he was rated "superior" under "degree to which he is able to discriminate & evaluate and arrive at logical conclusions." (Which presumably would clearly apply to being able to determine that rubber, balsa, tinfoil, etc., did not add up to an alien space ship.)

Under a checklist of personal characteristics, Blanchard listed the following most descriptive of Marcel: "No one ever doubts his ability," "Follows closely directions of higher echelons", "cool under all circumstances", "businesslike", "has a quiet, dignified bearing", "reserved", "a quiet, unassuming officer."

Under characteristics _least_ fitting Marcel, Blanchard marked "hot-tempered", "loses his head, gets excited", "immature", and "fails to use good judgment."

Can you tell me where this indicates Marcel was "impulsive"? Is this another example of your debunker psychic abilities? On the contrary, Blanchard paints a portrait of someone who was quiet, mature, serious, businesslike, cool under pressure, logical, stayed within military channels, highly qualified, highly dependable, and had excellent judgment.

Again, please tell us how you determined Marcel was "impulsive" and "had a good imagination?" Since you didn't personally know the man, it is obviously based on nothing more than your personal belief that he had to have misidentified a balloon and target, therefore he had to have been impulsive with an overactive imagination.

In other words, like a typical knee-jerk Marcel debunker, your psychological portrait of him is based not on actual knowledge or fact, but on your own personal impulsive conclusion and imagination of what must have happened and what Marcel must have been like.

>He simply was taken up >with the press reports of all these Flying Disks, and then >suddenly the possessor of some strange debris that he did not >recognize. He thought he had solved the mystery, and proceeded >with that assumption.

No matter how you try to spin things, nothing about a rubber balloon or balsa/tinfoil radar kite was "strange." All of it was material kids would recognize. Also it doesn't exactly jibe with Blanchard's actual superior rating of Marcel's ability to arrive at logical conclusions, does it?

Now let's address the one slightly negative comment in Blanchard's spring 1948 evaluation, since debunkers like Bruce claim this demonstrates that Marcel "imagined" things. Blanchard wrote, "his only known weakness is an inclination to magnify problems he is confronted with."

To the debunkers, who with their remarkable psychic abilities

know all about Marcel, Blanchard is specifically referring to the Roswell incident. But if that were the case, why does Blanchard elsewhere in the evaluation note Marcel's maturity, coolness, businesslike demeanor, logical conclusions, good judgment, etc.? That is totally inconsistent with Marcel being "impulsive" with an overactive imagination, being swept away by flying saucer hysteria and "magnifying" "strange debris" like rubber, balsa, paper, tinfoil, and Scotch tape into a "not of this Earth" flying saucer.

If you want to get an accurate portrayal of what Blanchard probably was describing, then you should place the comment in the context of the _entire_ evaluation. Not only that, you should look at other comments about Marcel's personality in evaluations from others preceding and following this. Otherwise you are guilty of being exactly what you accuse Marcel of being, namely impulsive in your judgment and letting your over-active imagination of what you think Marcel must be like to impose a narrow-minded interpretation of this one very brief comment from Blanchard. It's your equivalent (and those of other debunkers taking the same dishonest tact) of finding a balloon and inflating it into a flying saucer.

What I think Blanchard meant, based on other of Marcel's evaluations, was Marcel paying too much attention to petty details and trying to get things perfect. Marcel, in fact, got dissed on this very characteristic in a previous evaluation just before the Roswell incident (June 30, 1947) by Deputy Base Commander Jennings. Jennings wrote, "A loyal, extremely diligent officer, rather lacking in imagination and initiative. He is definitely a 'plugger' and makes harder work of all his assignments than is necessary."

Marcel was obviously not Jennings kind of officer and these are far and away the most negative comments in Marcel's file. Interestingly, I know a local TV correspondent, a former Air Force OSI officer incidentally, just lift the one section "rather lacking in imagination in initiative," plaster it on the TV screen in a debunking series on Roswell, again totally devoid of context of the rest of Marcel's evaluations, and just let it hang there. The obvious insinuation was Marcel created the Roswell incident to prove that he wasn't unimaginative and lacking in initiative.

Of course, if that's what had really happened, they would have hung Marcel by his you-know-whats, but let's not go there.

(That's what's great about armchair psychobabble evaluations of other people. You can twist and mold them into any grotesque caricature of a person you want, just like some crooked DA trying to railroad somebody into prison.)

You see statements about Marcel's diligence, extreme hard work, high work standards, and perfectionist tendencies all through his career. Generally it was rated as a positive. E.g., Gen. Ramey spoke of the "perfection" of Marcel's staff briefings during Operation Crossroads in his commendation to Marcel. But not everybody saw it that way, at least not all the time.

Based on Blanchard's follow-up comments in another evaluation a few months later, Blanchard thought Marcel's hard work and high standards that he set for himself and those under him was generally a plus. But apparently Blanchard also thought Marcel overdid it at times and didn't know when enough was enough. Hence I think the earlier statement about "an inclination to magnify problems," just like Jennings had noted still earlier about "making harder work of his assignments than necessary."

If this was indeed Marcel's "only known weakness", then we should all be so perfect.

David Rudiak

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Re: SDI - Tonight's Line-up - Kelly

From: Christopher Kelly <tophar@iprimus.com.au>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 19:23:47 +1100
Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:54:36 -0500
Subject: Re: SDI - Tonight's Line-up - Kelly

From: UFO UpDates - Toronto" <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers -Sent: Sunday, January 27, 2002 9:24 AM Subject: UFO UpDate: SDI - Tonight's Line-up

>Readers might like to take a look at the 'Strange Days...Indeed'
>line-up for tonight:

>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/sdi/program/

>ebk

Thx to Errol for posting this reminder. It was a good show, really glad I didn't miss it. There was even some strange things what went on with the phones, very strange things, indeed.

Stan Friedman's interview was also good, he has as with others really started to bring down the 'curtain of laughter' that has dogged UFO researchers for so many years. Even my Father no longer calls me a nut case after having watched many of the Videos out now by Mr Friedman and others. My congratulations to these pioneers of UFO research it sure hasn't be easy for them over the years and I bet on more than one occasion they felt like throwing the whole thing in and doing something else with much less ridicule. I for one am glad they didn't chuck it in.

The subject of Mothman was also very interesting, there is a similar being[?] - for want of a better word - mentioned by Australia's indigenous people but I'm not totally sure of the title given to this being so I will reframe of naming it until I'm sure what they call it.

Chris (tophar)

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Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 03:23:28 -0600
Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:57:16 -0500
Subject: Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols - Lehmberg

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 13:47:01 EST
>Subject: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

>Request For Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols

>Dear List, Errol,

>The project previously listed and discussed is at the very >beginning stages. I am therefore asking all of you to please >read this entire post, and lend us a helping hand.

>First, a little background. This is a beginning, and I am not a >researcher except of my own experiences. I am depending on the >experts at our medical group to define the study. They too, are >not researchers of this phenomena.

>There is however, another important issue here, about which I >was not aware, and was not told by my internist recently.

>This is a large medical group. So large and so popular (because >of the caliber of physicians) that they have an arrangement with >one of the best hospitals hereabouts. The arrangement is >complete affiliation. The hospital has all the latest equipment >and is just below the level of the Westchester County Medical >Center, in case anyone is interested. That's a pretty high level >folks. We do not have a helipad, though... chame, chame!

>As a result of the group's size and success at treatment, most >of the patients are long term; my internist has been trying to >make me healthy for 35 years. It's a job. He's literally saved >my wife's life on two occasions. With such long term patients >being attended by their internists for so long, a great deal of >personal data is transferred to the internist. Some of it _very_ >personal, and which would not ordinarily be discussed with 'just >a doctor.'

>He called to tell me that there are many like me, who've >confided in their internists or other doctors at the group. As a >result, their interest in this conundrum was boosted up a few >notches. I suppose that I threw them over the fence. And as a >further result, the number of perceived abductees is larger than >I dreamed. The fact is that no further volunteers are needed. >And even with those few who wished to take part in the project, >are not needed but will be used. There will be no >'non-abductees' in this project, except those whom the group >selects. And these will have the same or similar 'complaints' as >the abductees, but with no history of abduction, sightings of >UFOs and etc.

>Last, and most important, we seek the assistance, by way of >suggestions from you, the much maligned researchers, as to any >ideas you may have which may assist in making this project >satisfactory to as many as possible. We even look for protocols >which might be useful. Anything. _Anything!_ And this request is >from the group. I have set up a special email address for such >responses, or simply use UpDates, that is, if the information is >of interest to all. You decide. >By the way, it was not me who maligned researchers, it was >Gesundt. And he was in his cups.

>Please help us... on or off-List... doesn't matter. But we need >your help. Those who write off-List will receive my private >telephone number, at my discretion, if it becomes necessary to >speak by landline. Or, I will call you. But for crimey sake, >don't just sit there like lumps on a log, help us out.

>The worst thing which could happen is for some of you to bitch >and moan that the project was not 'done right'. Well, now you >have the opportunity to contribute to the study and make sure >it's as right as it can be.

>I am disappointed that the only response was prematurely >ejaculated and that not one of you said squat. Now for my >petulant and childish comment:

>If this project is so uninteresting, or for any other reasons, >not something which is exciting to this List, then I shall not >post anything about it here. Not out of spite, but out of a >complete and total frustration with you guys. And then, watch >out, because out comes Gesundt in all his drunken fury. I am >serious about the first comment. Take part or do as you've done >thus far, keep quite. Is it fear or disinterest? Or is it that >you agree with the comments made thus far? Your response, or >lack of it, will help me decide a very great deal. A very great >deal. Don't disappoint us or you. Do something.

An interested lurker asked me to pass this along, Jimbo... seems like good stuff to me.

The first order of business would be to make the proposed study as "bullet-proof" as possible on the front end. (Before it begins)

a. You need to establish the credentials and objectivity of the people that are to conduct the study. It means getting the doctors and the institution to allow their names and credentials to be published and checked out by independent researchers.

b. Criteria for the selection of 'subjects' needs to be established and agreed upon by those conducting the study. That means the development of a 'diagnostic tool' that is to be applied uniformly on all prospective subjects/applicants.

c. Once the research personel and the subjects have been selected, legal contracts and releases need to be signed by all concerned. This is necessary in order to protect both the researchers and the subjects.

d. A clearly stated objective needs to be formulated and a practical methodology appropriate to the study's objective need to be agreed upon.

e. Any results obtained should be published in a peer review journal or 'White Paper' so that the findings can be studied and confirmed (or denied) by independent experts. The study should bear the name of institution and the (in this case doctors) researchers who conducted it.

If the 'doctors' are not willing to publish under their own names then the whole study is nullified and a 'moot pooty.'

An opinion: the "abductee" should not have any say-so in regard to the choosing of either; the objective of the study, the researchers, the subjects or the methodology. Any such involvement by someone who has a vested (real or perceived) special interest in the results, would taint, if not invalidate, the effort before it begins.

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~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his HostPros URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by scurrilous skepti-bunkies.

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Cydonian Imperative: 01-27-02 Cliff & Face

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot@yahoo.com></u> Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 01:29:38 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:58:51 -0500 Subject: Cydonian Imperative: 01-27-02 Cliff & Face

The Cydonian Imperative 01-27-02

Compelling Similarities Between the Cliff and the Face

by Mac Tonnies

See: http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html

[image]

The Cydonia region, showing "City," "Face" and "Cliff" in context.

The enigmatic formation known as the "Cliff" exhibits similarities to the better-known Face, located directly to the west. In the image below, the upper section of the Cliff mesa is shown, revealing a feature not unlike the "headdress" noted on the Face. Perhaps more interestingly, there are two lines joined at precisely ninety-degrees (left of image), recalling the right angles that define the Face's framing mesa. Also visible is a descending trench not unlike the columnated crevasse located on the Face's upper eastern half. This feature intersects an unusual elliptical formation.

[image]

The upper portion of the Cliff reveals a gross resemblance to the Face's framing mesa. Note conspicuous right angle and other possible structural elements.

[image]

This columnated trench found on the Face's "headdress" recalls a similar formation atop the Cliff. Shape-from-shading image courtesy Chris Joseph.

[image]

This bright triangular feature is located on the west side of the Cliff mesa's vertical axis.

As described elsewhere on this site, the Cliff is exceptionally hard to explain in geological terms. Consisting of a narrow mesa and a ruler-straight upper defile paralleling the mesa's vertical axis, the Cliff is situated next to the rim of a "splash"-style impact crater. If the Cliff existed prior to the impact, the blast of mud would have destroyed it. But remarkably, the upper defile is perhaps one of the most well-preserved features in the Cydonia region. (Close inspection shows that the defile is composed of regular segments, giving it a distinctly structural appearance. See image below.)

[image]

The remarkably straight, apparently segmented defile on top of the Cliff mesa appears to be composed of two planes joined in a triangle. The west-facing plane is noticeably wider than its eastern counterpart.

The Cliff is a large formation, spanning nearly twice the length of the Face. It seems far-fetched to assume that it was built without purpose. And given its matching orientation and proximity to the Face, it's not unreasonable to assume a specific architectural connection between the two features. In "The Monuments of Mars," Richard Hoagland suggests that the Cliff was built as an "artificial horizon," from which inhabitants of the "City" could observe stellar alignments unimpeded by the rim of the "splash" crater. Given that the Cliff could not have formed after the impact, the Cliff's location and morphology are compelling evidence that the Cliff was deliberately assembled after the nearby impact.

[image]

The Cliff as seen by Viking.

Unfortunately, data loss from the Mars Global Surveyor orbiter eclipsed a substantial portion of the Cliff. Viking imagery indicates there may be an additional structural anomaly below the central elevated defile. If so, perhaps future high-resolution images will assist in addressing this most unusual feature. Until then, I personally hope the Cliff will be targeted by the Mars Odyssey's Gamma Ray Spectrometer (see article above); if the defile is artificial, its apparent state of preservation argues that it might be composed of materials other than mere rock.

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PRG Update - January 27, 2002

From: Stephen Bassett <<u>ParadigmRG@aol.com</u>> Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 11:54:27 -0500 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 01:41:42 -0500 Subject: PRG Update - January 27, 2002

PRG Paradigm Research Group

Update - January 27, 2002 (Washington, DC metro area item at the bottom)

Sufficient time has passed to assess the domestic, political reality of post-911 America. It is time to resume the pursuit of an end to the government embargo of the truth of an ongoing extraterrestrial presence. More on this in an upcoming X-PPAC update.

Paradigm Clock Reset

On January 16, 2002 PRG reset the Paradigm Clock back one minute to 11:58:00 based primarily on events on and after September 11, 2001.

The explanations for resetting the clock can be viewed at: www.paradigmclock.com/timechangechronicle.html

The complete press release can be seen at:

www.paradigmclock.com/Press Releases/Press releases.html#1-16-02

EXTRA Award

On January 21, 2002 PRG awarded an EXTRA in the research category to The Black Vault [<u>www.theblackvault.com</u>], in order to recognize the extraordinary work and website of John Greenewald, Jr. The EXTRA is accompanied by a \$1000 grant.

View the EXTRA at: www.paradigmclock.com/extraportal.html

The complete press release can be seen at:

www.paradigmclock.com/Press Releases/Press releases.html#1-21-02

'Out There'

Dan Aykroyd's company, Beyond Belief Productions, has ceased production of 'Out There', a half-hour, daily interview program on the paranormal for the SciFi Channel. This was announced one month after the acquisition by Vivendi Universal of entertainment properties of USA Networks, which included the SciFi Channel. About two dozen programs had been completed by that time. For information on the acquisition, please see: http://www.vivendiuniversal.com/vu2/en/news/00000850.cfm

PRG founder, Stephen Bassett, was the first interview taped for "Out There." The focus of the program was the politics of UFOs/ Disclosure. Mr. Aykroyd, one of the most creatively funny men in movies and television, was quite serious about the subject. He and his wife, Donna Dixon Aykroyd, have both had two strong sightings - one in a Concord at 50,000 feet.

On camera Mr. Aykroyd stated that his wife, an American citizen, would donate \$1000 to X-PPAC. He then signed the 2002 Open

Congressional Hearing Petition, as did many of his staff.

The SicFi Channel has indicated it is considering another format utilizing Mr. Aykroyd's talents. Nevertheless, the concept of a serious interview program on the paranormal is overdue to turn up on a major cable network. It is only a matter of time.

PRG Links Section

PRG has just completed a review of over 500 UFO/ET research/ activist websites. There is a design revolution underway with the introduction of Flash to UFO/ET sites (they were meant for each other) and the quality continues to improve. The Paradigm Clock now has the largest links section to front pages of sites in this genre on the internet. Go to: www.paradigmclock.com/links.html

Enterprise Mission / RKO Movie

Richard Hoagland and Paul Davids have completed a deal with RKO Pictures to make a feature film on the Mars/NASA controversy. They will have complete creative control and Paul Davies will direct. PRG is aware of other movie deals in the development stages which address UFO/ET phenomena in a manner which takes into account the research and findings which the government chooses to ignore. This is another indication that entertainment executives are becoming aware of more than just the public's interest in UFO/ET phenomena.

CAUS Website

Peter Gersten has announced the Citizens Agains UFO Secrecy (CAUS), Paranormal News Network (P3N) and the Formal Action Committee for Extraterrestrial Studies (FACETS) websites will close down on January 31, 2002. Key materials from these sites will be archived at a new site about to be launched by another group - the Paranormal and UFO Information Network at: www.pufoin.org

This contraction is happening for essentially one reason: lack of money. PRG continues to be confounded by the failure (refusal) of wealthy Americans to support the political efforts to end the UFO cover-up at a level worthy of the implications of the issue. What modest contributions which have occurred went to the "science" of the phenomena. (Even worse, internet mogul Paul Allen recently gave \$12 million to SETI!!) The political impasse which not only stifles truly comprehensive scientific inquiry and continues to damage the credibility of the America government goes without. This abdication of political power as regards the most important pending political/social/economic transition in human history lies somewhere between tragic and bizarre. If those Americans with both the disposition and financial wherewithal to effectuate political change, knew how little funding it would take to end the UFO/ET truth embargo, they would be shocked. Where is the courage, where is the understanding and what will it take to open their eyes?

Hickman Report

Jim Hickman has been appointed Research Specialist for MUFON Media Operations and is working to complete his second book, "The Alien Menace,"

Upcoming UFO/ET Conferences

The upcoming conference section of the Paradigm Clock has been loaded up. Go to: www.paradigmclock.com/conferences.html

If you have an upcoming conference you would like listed, please contact PRG ASAP.

11th Annual UFO Congress - Laughlin, NV - March 3-9

Stephen Bassett will be attending the 11th Annual UFO Congress in Laughlin, Nevada and welcomes the opportunity to meet there with colleagues and friends to discuss the continuance of the disclosure process in 2002.

First Friday Seminar Series Frederick, MD Speaking Engagement - February 1, 2001

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{PRG}}\xspace/\ensuremath{\mathsf{X}}\xspace$ parties in the Washington,

PRG Update - January 27, 2002

DC metro area are welcome to attend a lecture by Stephen Bassett on February 1, 8 p.m. at the Unity Church in Frederick, MD, One West Ninth Street, Frederick MD 21701.

Topic: Politics of Disclosure: the human race at the crossroads.

For information contact Carole Kirby (301) 496-7056 For directions: http://maps.yahoo.com/py/maps.py?Pyt=Tmap&addr=1+W+9TH+ ST&csz=FREDERICK+MD+21701&Get%AOMap=Get+Map

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"There is almost no limit to what you can accomplish, if you are willing to give away the credit."

"Intellectual passion is found at the intersection of fact and implication."

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Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <<u>ikclark@frontiernet.net></u>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 12:52:34 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 01:43:42 -0500
Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark

>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 21:21:30 +0000
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer</u>@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology

>>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 19:44:46 -0600
>>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark@frontiernet.net></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark
>>>Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2002 10:25:16 -0600

>>>From: Chris Rutkowski <<u>rutkows</u>@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 14:35:10 CST
>>>Subject: Subject: Re: Quote From John Keel About 'Current' Ufology

>But how about this for purple prose - can you guess who wrote >it?

>"...John A. Keel, a veteran critic of ETH whose work we have >long admired... Keel has probably spent more time in the field >than any other private researcher. This fact has afforded him >the opportunity to view the UFO mystery from the inside, and not >from the distorted perspective of most UFO literature, written >usually to enhance belief in interplanetary visitors, which >blithely ignores the evidence inconsiderate enough not to fit >the author's preconceptions."

Without checking, I'd say this looks like something I could have written, and probably did write, 25 to 35 years ago (otherwise, why would you be citing it?). I can go you one better: Loren Coleman and I actually dedicated our book Creatures of the Outer Edge (written in 1975, published in 1978) to Keel. As I have never made a secret (see, most recently, my article in the next issue of Fortean Times), I once thought John was a cool guy with great ideas. Eventually, of course, as my intellect and understanding evolved, I changed my mind.

Speaking of which, John, when was the last time _you_ changed your mind about anything ufological in the past 25 to 35 years? As far as I can tell, your psychosocial obsession has been locked in concrete for as long as I can remember.

Jerry Clark

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THE WATCHDOG - 01-27-02

From: THE WATCHDOG - Royce J Myers III < ufowatchdog@earthlink.net> Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 11:32:56 -0800 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 01:57:41 -0500 Subject: THE WATCHDOG - 01-27-02

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Thanks to the every changing policies and software utilized and implemented by Internet Service Providers, The Watchdog e-updates will no longer be making visits to your e-boxes. Several problems with sending messages to a very large list and numerous other problems with SPAM filters have put a halt to the list - for now. I am hoping to start the list back up again some time in the future, but for now UFOWATCHDOG.COM readers will have to check the site for continued updates and news stories. I apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

The updates will continue to be sent to UFO e-lists.

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UFO Photos Pre 1947

From: Matt Hurley <<u>m.hurley@ntlworld.com</u>> Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 19:55:04 -0000 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 01:59:30 -0500 Subject: UFO Photos Pre 1947

Dear List,

I am now collating photos of UFOs pre 1947.

http://homepage.ntlworld.com/m.hurley/photos.html

If you have any images to add or information on the examples already shown, please email me.

Thanks

Matt Historical Artwork and UFOs

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Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Maccabee

From: Bruce Maccabee <brumac@compuserve.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:24:59 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 02:02:25 -0500
Subject: Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Maccabee

>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark@frontiernet.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Mothman Prophecies Movie
>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 12:08:18 -0600

>Listfolk,

>Helene and I saw The Mothman Prophecies movie last night and >loved it. There are very few great Fortean films, but this is >surely one of them. It's got everything - genuine creepiness, a >thrilling, suspenseful storyline, intelligence, and all sorts of >elements ufologists and Forteans will recognize. Director Mark >Pellington is to be commended for resisting the temptation to >turn John Keel's book into yet another dopey creature or >science-fiction movie.

I didn't love it. It was OK. I thought they overused "hackneyed" visual effects.

In the first half of the movie, at least, in an attempt to manufacture creepiness when there was really nothing that creepy. Also, I thought the movie started very slowly. Got interesting in the last 1/3 or so. The ending scenes were the most dramatic.

But my teenage children thought it was good.

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Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Hebert

From: Amy Hebert <yellowrose129@attbi.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 16:08:46 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 02:05:18 -0500
Subject: Re: 'Bonafide' Abductees? - Hebert

>From: Michelle Guerin <<u>NYMush@aol.com></u>
>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 18:34:09 EST
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: 'Bonafide' Abductees?

>Whom and what determines if an abductee is 'bonafide'? I'm not >trying to be confrontational since I consider myself a cog in >that wheel.

Hi, Michelle:

When I did abduction research, I use to ask that question myself. It reached a point where I decided I, as a researcher, had to have more than just the word of the individual to base my studies on.

As a counselor, it was not important to verify an individual's claims of abduction but as a researcher, it became extremely important. If you are just going to collect stories and offer support to someone who claims to have been abducted, it would be nice to try and verify the individual's claims but obviously not always possible. If you are going to do scientific research about abductions, verification takes priority over the psychological needs for support and understanding on the part of the claimed abductee. Counseling and research are two different functions and may be difficult, if not impossible, to conduct concurrently.

There is really no other way to conduct scientific research involving claims of abduction and hope to achieve valid statistics, data, etc. Without at least some attempt to seek evidence to support the claims of an individual, all you have are... the claims of the individual.

I am not trying to devalue claims of abduction. I am indicating the difference between investigation based mainly on interviews, hypnosis sessions, etc. and more precise, scientific investigation and research.

Unfortunately, most people assume that because abductions are perpetrated by "aliens" and evidence, thus far, has been difficult to obtain, investigations are limited only to hypnosis, interviews and questioning to gather information. Since information of this nature is largely all we have managed to obtain to date, the assumption is that this is the best we can do.

We must do more and require more if researchers hope to gather valid data concerning abduction phenomena. Taking a more objective approach might be the first step toward research and reliable results. Investigations need to be conducted by researchers seeking only to find information and evidence to study rather than seeking information for a book, prove a theory or prove "aliens" and UFO's exist. The objectives need to remain focused on gathering evidence and studying that evidence without bias.

Before we can claim to know who is being abducted, by whom, for

whatever reasons, we must first conduct studies to establish the existence of abduction phenomena and what it is and is not - isolate the variables. Abduction phenomen may be another phenomenon or part of a larger phenomenon being misidentified.

Once objective research has established a more precise definition of what constitutes an abduction, uniform studies conducted by qualified, objective researchers according to specific scientific protocol need to be initiated through a world wide project independent of any government or authorities with vested interests in the research results.

Until objective, scientific studies are conducted by qualified professionals around the world according to specific guidelines without bias, we may never really know what is or is not a "bonafide" abductee.

A. Hebert

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Point Pleasant Area Crashes Leave Five Dead

From: Loren Coleman <lpre>lcolema1@maine.rr.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 18:56:36 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 02:09:50 -0500
Subject: Point Pleasant Area Crashes Leave Five Dead

Source: Sunday News Gazette - Charleston, West Virginia

http://sundaygazettemail.com/news/Other+News/2002012741/

Sunday January 27, 2002

Mason accidents leave five dead

Two auto accidents resulted in five deaths in Mason County on Saturday.

The first accident happened around 7:05 a.m. when two vehicles collided on W.Va. 2 south of Henderson.

The drivers, Michael Lee Wilson, 23, of Point Pleasant, and Dana W. Chapman, 51, of Southside, were killed.

The second wreck occurred at 1:22 p.m. on U.S. 35 about one mile inside the Mason County line from Putnam County. In the second crash, three people from one vehicle were killed and five in two other vehicles were injured.

Angel Halley, 28, of Columbus, Ohio, was driving her vehicle with her two children, Kaitlyn and Jason. All three of them were killed, according to Mason County Deputy J.M. Finnicum.

Brian McDowell of Christiansburg, Ohio, was driving a truck; Chad Webb was riding with McDowell.

Billie Wilson of St. Albans was the driver of the third vehicle. Nick Smith and Alice Terry were in the Wilson vehicle. The conditions of the accident victims were not available Saturday evening.

Deputy Finnicum said he is still investigating the cause of the second accident.

Jeremy Bryant, chief of the Point Pleasant Volunteer Fire Department, responded to both emergencies.

"We extricated people in both accidents," he said.

The large number of fatalities in one day is unusual for a rural county such as Mason.

"And to beat it all, today is my birthday," Bryant said. "I'll never forget it."

The Mason County Sheriff's Department is investigating.

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 17:23:33 -0600 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 02:13:06 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Stacy

>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys@brunnet.net></u>
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Re: SDI - Tonight's Line-up - Mortellaro

From: Jim Mortellaro <Jsmortell@aol.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 19:45:07 EST
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 02:14:49 -0500
Subject: Re: SDI - Tonight's Line-up - Mortellaro

>From: Christopher Kelly <<u>tophar</u>@iprimus.com.au>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: SDI - Tonight's Line-up - Kelly
>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 19:23:47 +1100

>From: UFO UpDates - Toronto" <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>To: - UFO UpDates Subscribers >Sent: Sunday, January 27, 2002 9:24 AM
>Subject: UFO UpDate: SDI - Tonight's Line-up

>>Readers might like to take a look at the 'Strange Days...Indeed'
>>line-up for tonight:

>>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/sdi/program/

>>ebk

>Thx to Errol for posting this reminder. It was a good show, >really glad I didn't miss it. There was even some strange things >what went on with the phones, very strange things, indeed.

>Stan Friedman's interview was also good, he has as with others >really started to bring down the 'curtain of laughter' that has >dogged UFO researchers for so many years. Even my Father no >longer calls me a nut case after having watched many of the >Videos out now by Mr Friedman and others. My congratulations to >these pioneers of UFO research it sure hasn't be easy for them >over the years and I bet on more than one occasion they felt >like throwing the whole thing in and doing something else with >much less ridicule. I for one am glad they didn't chuck it in.

>The subject of Mothman was also very interesting, there is a
>similar being[?] - for want of a better word - mentioned by
>Australia's indigenous people but I'm not totally sure of the
>title given to this being so I will reframe of naming it until
>I'm sure what they call it.

>Chris (tophar)

Dear Chris (Tophar), List and Errol ...

I concur. This may be one of the best shows... at least from my enjoyment standpoint. In spite of the Gremlins in the phone system. Maybe because of them..

And for those who could not abide them, the hell with 'em if they can't take a joke.

Love,

Jim

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9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman

From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <<u>ufomiami@prodigy.net></u> Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 21:36:38 -0500 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 02:19:26 -0500 Subject: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman

9 UFOs Taped By Chilean Channel 13 Cameraman

Sunday January 27, 2002

Felipe Martinez was taping on assignment in Lota, Region VIII of Chile when nine UFOs show up flying in formation at high speed from south to north. The professional said he can not affirm that it was extraterrestrial but he never had shot something so fast and strange before.

Channel 13 checked for airplanes, balloons or meteor shower with negative results.

Note: Chile is having a full scale UFO flap, strange creatures, birds and Chupacabras reports since march 18, 2000.

Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo Miami UFO Center

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Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <dstacy@texas.net>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 20:52:37 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 02:22:59 -0500
Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I - Stacy

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 02:39:43 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>The ballast should have been cut loose on descent and dropped >many miles away, according to Mogul engineering diagrams. The >Air Force and Charles Moore of Mogul tried to ascribe the "black >box" to the black radiosonde battery packs. One trouble with >this is Marcel, the old radio ham, would certainly have >recognized it as such from the wires emerging from the pack or >electrical contacts on the surface of any battery pack. See >"Mogul shredded."

David,

Apart from the fact that the Hutchinson scenario might not have been the way things actually unfolded, how did you acquire your own psychic powers to the extent that you can assert with certainty what Marcel would or wouldn't have recognized, and under what circumstances?

>Amazing how you blithely dismiss this point with the wave of >your hand as "immaterial." Even if Marcel knew nothing of radar >targets, he could have reasoned by analogy with what he did >know. The obvious similarity between the material used to make >radar chaff (paper/foil) and radar targets (paper/foil) could >logically lead to the conclusion that he was dealing with >another type of radar device. Paper/foil was also used in common >civilian items like chewing gum and fiberglass insulation. >Certainly, he would not jump to the conclusion that it was >something unearthly. Neither would Col. Blanchard for that >matter.

And where's your evidence that Col. Blanchard ever came to the conclusion that what was recovered was "unearthly"? That's news to me. This was barely two weeks after the Arnold sighting. The flying disks could have come from any number of places at the time, as far as Blanchard, or, for that matter, Marcel was concerned.

And who made Marcel a materials specialist, anyway? You? He flips out a Zippo and reportedly can't burn it, a pocket knife that reportedly can't cut it, and someone else reportedly wields a sledge hammer that won't dent it -- and everyone consequently concludes it's ergo facto unearthly? Maybe you could show us a picture of a carry-all which included a sledge hammer as standard equipment?

>This is so garbled, I don't know what's being said here. Marcel >thought they had found a flying saucer of unearthly origin >because the _physical properties_ of the material did not match >anything made by man, not because he had allegedly never seen a >radar target or weather balloon before. Marcel was not the only >person to describe such properties either.

Since when was Marcel in a position to dictate that certain low

level on-the-scene tests (cigarette lighter, pocket knife, etc.)
did not "match anything made by man"?

>I would like to reemphasize this point. If there had been >nothing to back up Marcel's story, it would have been dismissed >long ago as the ravings of a single loony. Roswell is _not_ just >the story of Jesse Marcel. There are a lot of witnesses and >documentation backing up Marcel's story (see, e.g., "Mogul >shredded" for how a computer analysis of the Fort Worth photos >clearly supports Marcel's story of a balloon and target being >substituted by Ramey to get the press off their backs).

Let's see...what did you say about some of Hutchinson's stuff? Laughable, stupid? Why don't we apply the same adjectives in the context of your above remarks?

In short, it's laughable and stupid on your part to assert that "a computer analysis of the Fort Worth photos clearly supports Marcel's story of a balloon and target being substituted by Ramey to get the press off their backs."

You could computer analyze those pictures until all the dairy cows in the world came home and it wouldn't shed one ray of light on Marcel's anecdotal claim that material was switched. All a computer analysis of those pictures would show...is a computer analysis of those pictures.

And those pictures show a balloon and rawin device. They don't show _any_ evidence of a switch. Unless you've got a a heckuva lot better computer than I've got.

Clearly supports? No. Laughable and stupid? Yes.

I know... you're going to tell me to go back and re-read Roswell Shredded. And I'm going to say, No, just re-read and respond to the above issue.

In a succinct 500 words or less. Well, we all know that's impossible. But if you could keep it under 10,000 words I think we'd all appreciate it. There will be other days (and posts), after all.

Dennis Stacy

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Black Hawk Down (also a Sony film like TMP) stayed at the top, I think for obvious reasons during these warring times.

Does anyone know what ranking Close Encounters of the Third Kind had on its opening weekend in 1977? Of course, it was a Steven Spielberg film, so the comparison is perhaps not entirely fair. Still, I'm looking for a yardstick.

:-)

Best wishes,

Loren

http://www.lorencoleman.com

for more... Mothman Central http://www.paraview.com/mothman central.htm

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From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 08:43:19 -0400 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 09:51:09 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Friedman

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Nice <snip>ping Dennis!!

You leave out the amount of wreckage, the fact that Brazel could have hauled one balloon and radar target in his pickup to Roswell, and there would have been absolutely no reason for Marcel and Cavitt to go out there, that the discovery date doesn't match MOGUL.

I can guarantee you it was very hot with loads of sunshine on the longest days of the year. C.B. Moore tells us how deteriorated the balloon would have been.

Nobody has indicated the balloon materials had the special properties that have been noted etc., etc., etc....

Another splendid example of 'don't bother me with the facts, my mind is made up'.

Stan Friedman

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Re: Roswell Threads Pt I - Friedman

From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys</u>@brunnet.net> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 08:59:13 -0400 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 09:57:40 -0500 Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I - Friedman

>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 20:52:37 -0600
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 02:39:43 EST
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>>The ballast should have been cut loose on descent and dropped
>>many miles away, according to Mogul engineering diagrams. The
>>Air Force and Charles Moore of Mogul tried to ascribe the "black
>>box" to the black radiosonde battery packs. One trouble with
>>this is Marcel, the old radio ham, would certainly have
>>recognized it as such from the wires emerging from the pack or
>>electrical contacts on the surface of any battery pack. See
>>"Mogul shredded."

>David,

>Apart from the fact that the Hutchinson scenario might not have >been the way things actually unfolded, how did you acquire your >own psychic powers to the extent that you can assert with >certainty what Marcel would or wouldn't have recognized, and >under what circumstances?

>>Amazing how you blithely dismiss this point with the wave of >>your hand as "immaterial." Even if Marcel knew nothing of radar >>targets, he could have reasoned by analogy with what he did >>know. The obvious similarity between the material used to make >>radar chaff (paper/foil) and radar targets (paper/foil) could >>logically lead to the conclusion that he was dealing with >>another type of radar device. Paper/foil was also used in common >>civilian items like chewing gum and fiberglass insulation. >>Certainly, he would not jump to the conclusion that it was >>something unearthly. Neither would Col. Blanchard for that >>matter.

>And where's your evidence that Col. Blanchard ever came to the >conclusion that what was recovered was "unearthly"? That's news >to me. This was barely two weeks after the Arnold sighting. The >flying disks could have come from any number of places at the >time, as far as Blanchard, or, for that matter, Marcel was >concerned.

<snip>

Dennis, why not look at the 1979 interview with Jesse Marcel in my movie 'UFOs Are Real'? Not only did he describe a large area of wreckage, but also a total absence of conventional stuff like wires, vacuum tubes, propellers. Balsa wood is easily broken. The foil-paper stuff from the target was very easily torn.

He never told me that he went out to see a flying saucer or to solve a mystery about flying saucers. His boss directed him to take a CIC man (Cavitt) with him because of the strangeness of the small amount of material Brazel brought to the Sheriff's office as verified by the Sheriff.

RAAF was a natural target for spies. "Who was doing reconaissance?" was an important question in NM.

Neither Blanchard nor Marcel nor the Sheriff was a stupid person.

Judd Roberts noted that weather balloons were launched every day from a block away from his radio station.

Stan Friedman

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Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Hamilton

From: Bill Hamilton <<u>skywatcher22</u>@space.com> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 05:16:56 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 10:00:30 -0500 Subject: Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Hamilton

>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 15:24:59 -0500
>From: Bruce Maccabee <<u>brumac@compuserve.com></u>
>Subject: Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Mothman Prophecies Movie
>>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 12:08:18 -0600

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>But my teenage children thought it was good.

>I'll be surprised if it gets as much interest as Beautiful Mind >or Black Hawk Down, etc.

I liked it. The weird phone calls reminded me of a couple I had over a decade ago. Weird stuff happens, but not repeatably enough to study it. I found little creepiness in this movie. Maybe the initial crash scene was supposed to be creepy, but very little after that. Black Hawk Down was No. 1 again, but Mothman opened in 4th place.

Bill Hamilton

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Re: UFO Photos Pre 1947 - Hamilton

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>To: <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
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Comment:

Nice page. I like the sphere photos. These sphere or orbs showing up around aircraft seem to be happening even recently. These orbs appear luminous, dark, or metallic in daylight skies. Still no answers unless someone thinks these are all balloons or flares.

Bill Hamilton

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Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

From: James Oberg <<u>ioberg</u>@houston.rr.com> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 09:01:26 -0600 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 10:09:24 -0500 Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

>From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <<u>ufomiami@prodigy.net></u> >To: UFO UpDates <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> >Subject: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman >Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 21:36:38 -0500

>9 UFOs Taped By Chilean Channel 13 Cameraman

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Do we have any information on the date and time-of-day of the event?

It's always helpful to check:

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for satellite entries, especially when the description is multiple objects 'in formation'.

Jim Oberg

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Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Clark

From: Jerome Clark <<u>ikclark@frontiernet.net></u>
Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 09:10:50 -0600
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 11:05:28 -0500
Subject: Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Clark

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What is the word hackneyed doing in scare quotes, Bruce? It _is_ a word used in standard English, and you're not quoting anybody as far as I can tell.

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Everyone is entitled to his or her taste in movies, of course, but I disagree with everything Bruce says here. I thought Mothman Prophecies was an extraordinarily well-done film, resisting, not embracing, the hackneyed, and trying to come to grips - in a manner both entertaining and thoughtful - with complex concepts about the ultimate unknowableness of the universe.

If it had been a hackneyed story, all would have been resolved neatly in the end (as, no doubt, evil ETs or Satanic entities), and on the way there, we would have seen Mothman bloodily compiling a big body count. By being neither a horror nor a science-fiction movie, director Mark Pellington gave us something truly original, a piece of popular art that, I hope, all Forteans will appreciate.

Jerry Clark

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Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Kaeser

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Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 10:15:11 -0500
Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 11:42:41 -0500
Subject: Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie - Kaeser

>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 07:22:25 -0500
>Subject: Re: Mothman Prophecies Movie
>From: Loren Coleman <<u>lcolema1</u>@maine.rr.com>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

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>Actually, early box office reports indicate that The Mothman >Prophecies (\$11.8 million) was the fourth most popular film in >the country, with A Beautiful Mind (\$11.7 million) fifth. Of >course, they could flipflop positions. Interestingly, as I >mentioned on Errol's radio program, A Beautiful Mind actually >does have MIBs in it, and The Mothman Prophecies does not.

>Black Hawk Down (also a Sony film like TMP) stayed at the top, I >think for obvious reasons during these warring times.

One reviewer indicated that of the 25 or so who attended a matinee of TMP, none was under 30 years old. This could mean a short life-span for this film on the big screen. Then again, it will have a solid audience for the sale of DVD and VHS copies..... <g>

Steve

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Re: UFO Photos Pre-1947 - Hebert

From: **Amy Hebert** <<u>yellowrose129</u>@attbi.com> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 09:34:27 -0600 Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 11:44:17 -0500 Subject: Re: UFO Photos Pre-1947 - Hebert

>From: Matt Hurley <<u>m.hurley@ntlworld.com></u>
>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 19:55:04 -0000
>Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 01:59:30 -0500
>Subject: UFO Photos Pre 1947

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Dear Mr. Hurley:

After viewing the images you have posted on your web site, I am wondering how you can be sure the anomalies in the photographs are actually UFOs.

Do you have any kind of evidence that indicates the artifacts found in these old photographs are indeed UFO's?

Were there any eye-witness testimonies that indicate UFOs were actually seen when _each_ photograph was taken?

Thank you.

A. Hebert IFO Database <u>http://ifo.s5.com</u>

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Mars Odyssey Ready to Tackle Science Agenda http://www.space.com/missionlaunches/odyssey-update-020121.html

Simulating the Martian Surface at the Bottom of the World http://pigtrail.uark.edu/news/2002/JAN02/BenoitR02.html

Future Mars Rovers to Change Shape, Rappel Cliffs http://www.cnn.com/2002/TECH/space/01/21/mars.rovers/index.html

The Cydonian Imperative: Mars Odyssey Spacecraft to Examine Face http://mactonnies.com/cydonia.html

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>>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Gates
>>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 21:31:50 -0400

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>>I completely agree that David's analysis is right on and very
>>well done. However, I must again reiterate other facts that make
>>it totally incorrect to suggest that this one balloon was what
>>Brazel found, and was observed in situ by Marcel and Cavitt, and
>>had something to do with the Mogul Program.

>>A. Many Evening Newspapers on July 8, 1947 (from Chicago West)
>>noted that the material was found by Brazel "sometime last
>>week". That alone rules out Mogul Balloon wreckage since, as has
>>been noted,it would have been very badly deteriorated if it had
>>been out there since mid June.

>Stan,

>How do you know it would have been very badly deteriorated? If >Brazel had found the stuff the week before, as indicated, might >he not have stored it in a shed, out of sunlight, as the >original press release indicated? Or maybe he wrapped it in >something?

If he had found it the week before, then it already would have been out in the sun for over 3 weeks. Charles Moore of Mogul has demonstrated on a number of occasions how the neoprene balloons deteriorated to a brittle "paper-ash" conditions within 2 to 3 weeks.

>But let's say its now lain outside from mid-June to the >beginning of July. Do you know what the specific weather >conditions were then, whether they consisted of days of full >sunshine, partly cloudy skies, or contiguous days of overcast >skies? I submit that you don't.

And I submit that you are grasping at straws. There are going to be more than a few sunny days in central New Mexico in a months time in June and July.

As a matter of fact, I have checked weather maps for early and middle June and early July. Mostly clear and sunny in the earlier part of June. Thunderstorm activity in central N.M. July 2 and July 4.

>Do you know if it rained on this day or that and wetted the >material, which might have resisted its deterioration? No, you >don't.

You just get so emotional when your pet Mogul explanation gets mortally wounded. Whether or not the debris got rained on isn't

even the primary argument why the Rawin in Ramey's office couldn't come from Mogul. IQBS -- It's the quantity of debris stupid.

>If you are as familiar with weather in the desert Southwest as >you pretend to be, then you know full well that a recorded >thunderstorm in, say, Roswell, says absolutely nothing about the >meteorological conditions five or ten miles away, never mind as >far away as the Foster ranch. Ditto reports of clear, sunny >skies in Roswell.

Quite right. The thunderstorms are in cells. I was in Arizona and New Mexico for 10 days last August and it thunderstormed every day. Most of the cells did miss my location, but I was rained on about 4 or 5 times nonetheless during that period.

However, this is nothing but the usual Stacian tangent. The main issue is that the debris in Ramey's office adds up to exactly one radar target. The other Mogul radar targets somehow left no debris behind when Mack Brazel gathered up _all_ the foil, sticks, etc. into one bundle. How could that possibly happen?

>The fact of the matter is that you don't know what the local >weather was like during the period involved and so can't make >the above argument. At least not as confidently and assertively >as you do.

>In addition, you would need to assess the deterioration exposure >factor, to coin a phrase, of the balloon material in the >pictures taken in Ramey's office and tell us how many days of >exposure or deterioration you think it represents.

I can tell you that the balloon is obviously still pliable from the way it is folded up and relatively intact. But if the balloons had been left out for 2 to 3 weeks in the sun, they would become brittle and fragmented. In his Air Force interview, Moore's interviewer compared some samples to paper ash. I saw Moore demonstrate this on Scientific American Frontiers a few years back with Alan Alda. He said the material had been in the sun for 2 to 3 weeks. It was in tatters. He held it near the microphone and you could hear it rustling and crinkling like cellophane.

>Next, maybe you and Rudiak could tell us what degree of >deteriorated balloon material Ramey ordered up in order to >substitute for the real debris. Did he order up a balloon >deteriorated three, five, seven, or 14 days, and under what >specific conditions?

The neoprene balloons darkened very rapidly in the sun. Bob Galganski showed me an experiment where the milky white neoprene turned dark brown within 5 hours. The balloon in the Ramey photos looks a little darker than that. A few days would be all it would take. After only a few days, the balloon should still be pliable - not enough time for the solvents to evaporate. That seems to be the condition of the balloon in the photos.

The main point is that it is pliable an intact, not brittle and flaked, the condition expected after a few weeks in the sun.

>Wouldn't he just have ordered anything available? But, if so, >why would it have been a deteriorated balloon and a wrecked >rawin? Why couldn't he have shown the press relatively new, >intact ones? The press wouldn't have been any wiser.

A brand new balloon wouldn't look like it had lain in the desert for weeks, would it? Ditto for a completely undamaged Rawin. It would have to be torn up to give it the right crashed look.

>Or maybe you're suggesting that Lawton, Roswell, and other bases >routinely kept on hand weathered balloons and wrecked rawins.

Recipe for one wrecked Rawin: Pull a brand new Rawin off the shelf and tear it up by hand. Boy, that was hard!

Recipe for one weathered balloon: Call up neighboring bases and ask if someone has turned in a relatively intact balloon from one of hundreds of radiosonde balloons sent up in the previous week with their reward tags.

>Why? Because general Ramey might one day need them for a press

>conference and photo op?

No, because nearly 200 of the radiosondes were sent up each and every day and people were turning them all the time to get their 5\$ reward -- a night on the town in 1947.

>Who would have this stuff lying around? No one, because there >would have been absolutely no reason to have it lying around. >Who would save a wrecked rawin target, made of balsa wood and >tin foil for any length of time? Do you think bases kept a >stockpile of this stuff?

You don't need an old Rawin Dennis. Any Rawin will do because they are so easily torn up to give the appearance of wreckage. The fact that Ramey's Rawin has clean white paper and lacks the suspension twine are further indications that this was an unused Rawin.

You keep dodging the main point that the Rawin wreckage adds up to exactly one Rawin target and nothing more. That's impossible to explain from a multi-target Mogul crash. If you think it isn't impossible, then by all means explain it to us.

>The stuff pictured in Ramey's office is just what it pretends to >be: What Marcel picked up outside Roswell and accompanied to >Carswell.

The stuff pictured in Ramey's office is just what Marcel and Dubose said it was: a balloon and radar target Ramey got from somewhere for a photo-op to get the press off their backs.

David Rudiak

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The day: Sunday January 27, 2002. No time-of-day given - only during daytime.

Do we have satellites orbiting from the South to the North? As far as I know, in that area, they fly from East to West.

Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo Miami UFO Center

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>Subject: Re: UFO Photos Pre-1947
>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 09:34:27 -0600

Hello, all Amy, Matt

>>From: Matt Hurley <<u>m.hurley@ntlworld.com></u>
>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 19:55:04 -0000
>>Fwd Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 01:59:30 -0500
>>Subject: UFO Photos Pre 1947

>>Dear List,

>>I am now collating photos of UFOs pre 1947.

>><u>http://homepage.ntlworld.com/m.hurley/photos.html</u>

>>If you have any images to add or information on the examples >>already shown, please email me.

>Dear Mr. Hurley:

>After viewing the images you have posted on your web site, I am >wondering how you can be sure the anomalies in the photographs >are actually UFOs.

>Do you have any kind of evidence that indicates the artifacts >found in these old photographs are indeed UFO's?

>Were there any eye-witness testimonies that indicate UFOs were >actually seen when _each_ photograph was taken?

Hello, Amy and Matt,

Actually its a collection of grainy, all ready printed in other publications, photos of marginal clairity and dubious origin. Sorry.

In amongst the collection are: Lenticular clouds, sunspots, a chinse streetlamp, and doctored photos of read this; Well known if not _famous_ photos of the Mighty Eighth Air Force on its way to Berlin. I have no Idea that the souce of these photos could be so incorrect, but the B-17 was hardly used in the Mediterranian Theater, the B-24 Liberator was, and note: none of of the B-17s in the pictures are late war B-17s.

The B-17s in the photos are all B-17Fs with the mid-war olive drab and grey overall - no B-17Gs with the chin turret, not one natural metal '17 either. This series of photos can't be later than mid/late 1943, so the 1945 dates are incorrect.

The scene of a landing B-17 at the top of the series of photos is from the movie (not the documentary made during the war) 'Memphis Belle' this is a B-17G that was used as an Airtanker for many years by Aero Union - based in Chico CA. Oh, the photo was shot in England on location - again nowhere near Italy. As far as the 'Ghost Rocket' photo, I can't say - it looks like a meteor - or a lens flaw. Not an expert there.

I am not going to comment on the photos of the Japanese 'Foo Fighter' photos.

GT McCoy

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Re: UFO Photos Pre 1947 - Fleming

From: Lan Fleming <<u>lfleming5@houston.rr.com></u> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 12:50:54 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 09:45:21 -0500 Subject: Re: UFO Photos Pre 1947 - Fleming

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>Subject: UFO Photos Pre 1947
>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 19:55:04 -0000

>Dear List,

>I am now collating photos of UFOs pre 1947.

These photographs are very interesting, especially the one showing a formation of small objects with contrails that appear to be pacing a WWII era plane. This and several other pictures strongly resemble the descriptions of Foo Fighters that I've read. Some of the photographs might be explained as lenticular clouds or photographic defects, etc., but this one seems least likely to me to fit any such cause. Have any photographic experts examined these photos?

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Re: Roswell Threads Pt I - Rudiak

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>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
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>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

>>The ballast should have been cut loose on descent and dropped
>>many miles away, according to Mogul engineering diagrams. The
>>Air Force and Charles Moore of Mogul tried to ascribe the "black
>>box" to the black radiosonde battery packs. One trouble with
>>this is Marcel, the old radio ham, would certainly have
>>recognized it as such from the wires emerging from the pack or
>>electrical contacts on the surface of any battery pack. See
>>"Mogul shredded."

>Apart from the fact that the Hutchinson scenario might not have >been the way things actually unfolded,

You are allowed to propose any _plausible_ scenario you like that economically explains the details. Just make sure it doesn't make use of magical thinking and is not so incredibly stupid that people die laughing.

>how did you acquire your >own psychic powers to the extent that you can assert with >certainty what Marcel would or wouldn't have recognized, and >under what circumstances?

What's to recognizing rubber, aluminum foil, paper, balsa, Scotch tape, twine, etc.? All these were common consumer items found in items like inner tubes, kid's balloons, paper kites, model airplanes, office supply, gum wrappers, candy wrappers, cigarette wrappers, building insulation, etc.

Yet Marcel, among other people, clearly thought the actual debris was highly unusual based on the tough physical properties of the debris and the unusual "memory" property of some of the foil. Remember, Marcel wasn't the only one to describe such properties. There were other people like Brazel Jr., Loretta Proctor, Bill Rickett of the CIC, Robert Smith, and Gen. Exon.

Yet all of the above named items from a balloon are extremely fragile.

Now answer how debunkers like you know with such certainty that Marcel couldn't recognize such materials, or had never seen a weather balloon, or had never heard of or seen radar targets? Such statements are made every day as if they were items of fact, when apparently they are based on nothing but psychic abilities and denial.

>>Amazing how you blithely dismiss this point with the wave of >>your hand as "immaterial." Even if Marcel knew nothing of radar >>targets, he could have reasoned by analogy with what he did >>know. The obvious similarity between the material used to make >>radar chaff (paper/foil) and radar targets (paper/foil) could >>logically lead to the conclusion that he was dealing with >>another type of radar device. Paper/foil was also used in common >>civilian items like chewing gum and fiberglass insulation. >>Certainly, he would not jump to the conclusion that it was >>something unearthly. Neither would Col. Blanchard for that >>matter.

>And where's your evidence that Col. Blanchard ever came to the >conclusion that what was recovered was "unearthly"? That's news >to me.

Everything seems to be news to you. You could start with testimony of Art McQuiddy, the former editor of the Roswell Morning Dispatch. In his affidavit he wrote:

"Colonel William H. ("Butch") Blanchard, commander of RAAF and its 509th Bomb Group, was a good friend of mine. We often got together for a drink and off the record discussions of base-town relations and the like. After the flying saucer incident, I tried several times to get Blanchard to tell me the real story, but he repeatedly refused to talk about it.

"About three or four months after the event, when we were a bit more 'relaxed' than usual, I tried again. Blanchard reluctantly admitted he had authorized the press release. Then, as best I remember, he said, "I will tell you this and nothing more. The stuff I saw, I've never seen anyplace else in my life." That was all he would say, and he never told me anything else about the matter,"

Then there is the matter of why Blanchard would send _both_ his head of intelligence and counter-intelligence out to investigate. Even ignoring the question of why Brazel didn't bring those two small bundles with him to Roswell he claimed to have gathered up in his Daily Record story, Brazel surely would have provided a physical description like the one he provided in the same story.

Remember in that story he claimed all he found were some rubber strips from a balloon, sticks, tape, foil, and paper. Marcel takes this description back to Blanchard and they somehow conclude that this is worthy of serious investigation. No mere flunkies were used, as would be expected from so humble a description. No, Marcel himself, and Cavitt, head of the CIC, are required. Blanchard orders them both to investigate. Why? Was Blanchard a fool too?

>This was barely two weeks after the Arnold sighting. The >flying disks could have come from any number of places at the >time, as far as Blanchard, or, for that matter, Marcel was >concerned.

All Marcel had to say about it was that when he went back to the base to consult with Blanchard, the two of them decided it was an advanced aircraft of some sort. They would not conclude that if all Brazel described was rubber strips, tape, paper, foil, etc. Obviously Brazel must have described something far different, _or_ he actually did bring debris samples with him (as the Sheriff's family said he did) that were highly unusual.

>And who made Marcel a materials specialist, anyway? You? He >flips out a Zippo and reportedly can't burn it, a pocket knife >that reportedly can't cut it,

You think this is some sort of show-stopper point? These are the sort of simple tests kids might try. Get a grip!

Ever known a flame that couldn't burn paper or balsa wood? Ever known a pocket knife that couldn't cut paper, aluminum foil, rubber balloons, balsa wood? Every known a thin balsa wood stick that couldn't be easily broken? Ever seen aluminum foil that could be wadded up and have it unfold itself?

You don't have to be a materials engineer to recognize these physical properties as highly unusual.

>and someone else reportedly wields >a sledge hammer that won't dent it -- and everyone consequently >concludes it's ergo facto unearthly? Perhaps you can name materials available in 1947 that had these properties?

>Maybe you could show us a >picture of a carry-all which included a sledge hammer as >standard equipment?

Maybe you should get your facts straight first. Marcel said somebody tried to dent some of the metal sheets with a sledge hammer after he returned the base. Where did you get the notion that the sledge hammer incident occurred out in the field?

Another person to describe the invulnerability to hammer blows was Gen. Exon:

"I don't know how it arrived, but the boys who tested it said it was very unusual. [Some of it] could be easily ripped or changed... ***There were other parts of it that were very thin but awfully strong and couldn't be dented with heavy hammers***...It was flexible to a degree... Some of it was flimsy and was tougher than hell, and the other was almost like foil but strong. It had them pretty puzzled. ...They knew they had something new in their hands. The metal and material was unknown to anyone I talked to. Whatever they found, I never heard what the results were. A couple of guys thought it might be Russian, but the overall consensus was that the pieces were from space. ...Roswell was the recovery of a craft from space."

Obviously the materials engineers at Wright Field were describing Mogul balloon radar target aluminum foil that couldn't be damaged with hammer blows. Some of them were like Marcel, jumped the gun and concluded it was from a space ship. The Air Force was full of incompetents and fools back then.

>>This is so garbled, I don't know what's being said here. Marcel
>>thought they had found a flying saucer of unearthly origin
>>because the _physical properties_ of the material did not match
>>anything made by man, not because he had allegedly never seen a
>>radar target or weather balloon before. Marcel was not the only
>>person to describe such properties either.

Yes indeed. See Gen. Exon's descriptions, e.g. Marcel obviously wasn't the only person to conclude that the material "wasn't of this Earth" because of the anomalous physical properties.

>Since when was Marcel in a position to dictate that certain low
>level on-the-scene tests (cigarette lighter, pocket knife, etc.)
>did not "match anything made by man"?

He did some simple stress tests in the field that anybody might do: try to break or bend pieces, cut them with a knife, burn them, etc. Did he need orders from above or a degree in material engineering to do this?

>>I would like to reemphasize this point. If there had been
>>nothing to back up Marcel's story, it would have been dismissed
>>long ago as the ravings of a single loony. Roswell is _not_ just
>>the story of Jesse Marcel.

And I'll remphasize this point. Roswell is not just the story of Jesse Marcel.

>>There are a lot of witnesses and >>documentation backing up Marcel's story (see, e.g., "Mogul >>shredded" for how a computer analysis of the Fort Worth photos >>clearly supports Marcel's story of a balloon and target being >>substituted by Ramey to get the press off their backs).

>Let's see...what did you say about some of Hutchinson's stuff? >Laughable, stupid?

When I raised the point of why Marcel couldn't recognize a simple rubber balloon, Hutchinson claimed Marcel would be unable to separate out a rubber balloon from the radar target material, something that Brazel himself claimed he did in his Daily Record story. The balloon and radar target are also separate items in the Fort Worth photos. Yes, I would consider Hutchinson's "explanation" to be completely laughable and stupid, another example of debunker magical thinking. >Why don't we apply the same adjectives in the >context of your above remarks?

Why don't you instead explain why my remarks are "laughable" and "stupid." Was Marcel alone in describing anomalous physical properties? No, lot's of people did, including Gen. Exon. Was Marcel alone in saying there was a cover-up in Fort Worth, with a balloon being substituted for the real debris? No, another AF general backed him up here too, namely Brig. Gen. Dubose.

Is there any evidence in Marcel's file and that he screwed up and the AF and officers involved thought less of him? No, absolutely not. He remained as head of intelligence at Roswell. He was recommissioned next spring. Blanchard boosted his rating of Marcel on his next evaluations, calling him "highly dependable," rating him superior in his abilitity to arrive at logical conclusions. Blanchard and Dubose recommended him for promotion afterwards. Dubose recommended he attend command officers school. Ramey called him "outstanding" and command officer material. The SAC and USAF Hg. squabbled over who was going to get him for higher intelligence work. The SAC said they already had him in mind for a "key" position. The SAC then made him Chief of their "Alien Capabilities Section, Intelligence Division, Hq." Get the point?

Again, explain for us why my statement that a lot of witnesses and documentation back up Marcel's story is "laughable and stupid."

>In short, it's laughable and stupid on your part to assert that
>"a computer analysis of the Fort Worth photos clearly supports
>Marcel's story of a balloon and target being substituted by
>Ramey to get the press off their backs."

Again, why don't you clearly explain for us why my statement is "laughable and stupid?"

My analysis unequivocably demonstrates that the radar target debris on display in Ramey's office is fully accounted for by exactly one radar target. There are no extra pieces in there from other targets, as would definitely be expected from a multi-target Mogul crash.

The target is also completely clean and there is no suspension twine attached anywhere. Apparently the twine unknotted itself and flew away with the other completely unhurt radar targets, after being dragged through the dirt to shred the one target that showed up Ramey's office.

There is no logical way to account for these details in any Mogul crash scenario, without the use of drugs or magical thinking. Occam's razor comes into play here. The simplest theory with the fewest assumptions is most likely to be correct. The simplest way to account for the exactly one, clean, untwined radar target is to start with one. Pull a fresh radar target off the shelf somewhere, tear it up a little bit to make it look like it crashed, and bring it out for a photo op to get the press off their backs. That economically accounts for all the details without magical thinking.

It's also the basic story told by Marcel and Dubose of what actually happened in Fort Worth.

>You could computer analyze those pictures until all the dairy >cows in the world came home and it wouldn't shed one ray of >light on Marcel's anecdotal claim that material was switched.

Sure it does. Try to come up with another plausible hypothesis as to why exactly one radar target showed up Ramey's office. Remember, no magical thinking allowed.

>All a computer analysis of those pictures would show...is a >computer analysis of those pictures.

Complete denial and evasion at work here. No Dennis, the computer analysis shows everything accounted for by one radar target and nothing extra. There is no way to explain it with a multi-target Mogul crash. Bye-bye Mogul.

Furthermore, the photoanalysis isn't just my say-so. The analysis is based on something physical and objective and not

ancient, fuzzy memories. The photographs can be scrutinized by anyone. Thus my analysis can be repeated by others and checked for errors.

Perhaps you've heard of this process. It's called the scientific method and peer review. It's certainly a lot more scientific and objective than Charles Moore eyeballing the photos, declaring there is more than one radar target there, and somebody like Karl Pflock then hyping this opinion into an "unquestionable" fact in his book that supposedly proves the debris is from Mogul.

>And those pictures show a balloon and rawin device. They don't >show _any_ evidence of a switch. Unless you've got a a heckuva >lot better computer than I've got.

>Clearly supports? No. Laughable and stupid? Yes.

If you don't think this demonstrates a switch, then provide us with a plausible scenario of how exactly one radar target could be collected from a Mogul crash. I have challenged you at least twice to explain this vital detail, and instead all we get is your usual irrational, emotional diatribe in return.

Come on Dennis, explain it to us. How did Mack Brazel gather up _all_ the sticks, foil, etc. into his _one_ bundle from your multi-target Mogul crash, but only one, and exactly one target shows up in Fort Worth? If my scenario is "laughable and stupid," then provide us with an alterative that isn't "laughable and stupid."

>I know... you're going to tell me to go back and re-read Roswell >Shredded. And I'm going to say, No, just re-read and respond to >the above issue.

I already did. The one who isn't responding to the issues is you. You're just ducking the questions that I posed in "Mogul shredded." You don't have to answer them all. But do at least explain the one and only one radar target for us. How can you shred multiple targets in a Mogul crash and end up with just one and not a fragment more?

The fact of the matter is you can't explain this, thus your usual diversionary ranting.

>In a succinct 500 words or less. Well, we all know that's
>impossible. But if you could keep it under 10,000 words I think
>we'd all appreciate it. There will be other days (and posts),
>after all.

>Dennis Stacy

Come on Dennis, answer the question. Stop stalling. No drugs or magical thinking allowed. Try not to make your answer "laughable and stupid."

David Rudiak

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Canadian Crop Circle Summary Report 2001

From: **Paul Anderson** <<u>psa@look.ca></u> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 22:52:28 +0000 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 09:58:23 -0500 Subject: Canadian Crop Circle Summary Report 2001

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CANADIAN CROP CIRCLE SUMMARY REPORT 2001

The 2001 summary report is now posted on the web site, with an overview of the 20 reports for the year, with photos and video stills, including aerials and some of the unusual and complex crop lays and other associated anomalies (the 'blind spot' at Midale, Saskatchewan #5 in particular):

http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada/summary01.html

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The Crop Circles in Canada 2001 report archive has also been updated again, with additional photos for a number of formations (and more still to come):

http://www.geocities.com/cropcirclecanada/circlescanada01.html

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 17:33:40 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 10:01:16 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Stacy

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>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 08:43:19 -0400

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>Nice <snip>ping Dennis!!

Stan,

But of course! I'm an editor, after all.

>You leave out the amount of wreckage, the fact that Brazel could >have hauled one balloon and radar target in his pickup to >Roswell, and there would have been absolutely no reason for >Marcel and Cavitt to go out there, that the discovery date >doesn't match MOGUL.

I left out a lot of things - in order to address those points I was addressing. For example: the amount of wreckage as testified to by whom? As you are well aware, the amount of wreckage varies from witness to witness. Along with the issue of whether or not there was a gouge in the ground. And bodies, and a second, or third, crash site, and so on. I can't revisit every aspect of Roswell on those occasions when I want to refer to a particular aspect. Nor do I expect you to do the same, though, unfortunately, I expect that David Rudiak will.

But while we're here, what do you mean that the discovery date doesn't match MOGUL?

>I can guarantee you it was very hot with loads of sunshine on >the longest days of the year. C.B. Moore tells us how >deteriorated the balloon would have been.

No, you can't guarantee me what the weather was like during the period in question, and that was one of my points. Contrary to common sense, the rainy season of the desert southwest actually falls during late summer. You can surmise what the weather might have been like, but you can't guarantee it. Similarly, you can surmise what area the debris field _might_ have covered, but you can't guarantee it for the simple reason that you weren't there then. Like the rest of us, all you have to go on is contradictory anecdotal accounts. There are no guarantees out there: if there were we wouldn't be having this discussion.

You also failed to address another issue I raised: what is the deterioration date of the balloon pictured on Ramey's floor? Seems as if you're not above some nice snipping of your own, by the way. At least I identify mine.

>Nobody has indicated the balloon materials had the special >properties that have been noted etc., etc., etc....

>Another splendid example of 'don't bother me with the facts, my >mind is made up'.

Well, I guess I could say the same: another splendid example of someone who refuses to even countenance the possibility that Roswell might not be quite as solid and extraterrestrial as first presented.

While we're at it, let me ask you this: How many people, in the course of your Roswell investigations, have you talked to who said that absolutely nothing unusual occurred during the dates in question? This would include Kent Lorenzo and others. And how many of those have made it into your writings on Roswell? Some? A few? None?

If none, why not? After all, aren't they a legitimate part of the Roswell story, too?

But I forget: you're still holding out hope for Gerald Anderson. How large was his debris field, by the way? Or maybe you've finally given up on him?

Curious minds would like to know.

Dennis Stacy

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UFO Dreams?

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Subject: UFO Dreams?

This may seem uncharacteristic of me, but I am interested in dreams involving a number of UFOs.

The reason for this is that I had one some time ago, and thought it was because of the amount of time that I was spending on the subject. Since then, I have received unsolicited posts from two other people who described dreams, which although not identical, had some common factors. I am also aware of two other people (via a third party) that have had similar dreams.

I don't want to go in to the details of the dreams, or what the common factors were at this time, as I want to try to discover if this is a common dream-type without suggesting what the details of the dreams that I am looking for are.

If anyone has had a dream or dreams involving more than one UFO, please email me on my address above, with as much or as little detail as you can remember. You can rest assured that I will not reveal anyone's participation in this without their express permission.

Regards,

Joe McGonagle

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Canadians & Manned Spaceflight

From: Nick Balaskas <<u>nikolaos@YorkU.CA></u>
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Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 11:14:13 -0500
Subject: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight

Hi everyone.

Below is a book mentioned in SPACE.COM which will be of interest to those who wish to know about some of the unheralded people, many of them Canadians, who made American manned spaceflight a reality.

Canadians may have been among the earliest pioneers of manned spaceflight of modern times but probabaly not the first. Just today I learned from a Russian student with high level contacts at the Korolev space research facility in Russia about several failed attempts made by the Soviets in the 1950s to send humans into space. What this student also told me was a very intriguing account of a 1944 failed attempt by Nazi Germany to be the first to send a man into space through the efforts of their rocket scientists and engineers which, like the Canadians, eventually ended up working for the U.S. (and the Soviet) space program.

What does all this have to do with UFOs you ask? Well, there is an eccentric and very secrective individual west of Toronto who, according to his friends, has an AVRO flying saucer among his huge collection of aircraft and parts. This is not the disk shaped AVRO Car that simply hovered but a secret one which could fly to the edge of space and move at supersonic speeds just like the newspapers claimed at the time. Many strange sightings of extremely high altitude contrails created by something moving at Mach 7 made by upper atmosphere scientists strongly suggests that Canadian engineers may very well have been just as successful with the AVRO Car (a later version shown flying in space appears on a recent cover of 'Popular Mechanics') as they were with the AVRO Arrow (and the Apollo Project).

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* Featured Book: Arrows to the Moon: Avro's Engineers and the Space Race

http://www.space.com/spacelibrary/books/library gainor 020125.html

On February 20, 1959, the Canadian government shut down the CF-105 Avro Arrow jet interceptor program, putting the cream of Canada's aerospace engineering talent out of work.

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Nick Balaskas

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>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 17:23:33 -0600
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded

>>From: Stan Friedman <<u>fsphys@brunnet.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Gates
>>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 21:31:50 -0400

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>>I completely agree that David's analysis is right on and very
>>well done. However, I must again reiterate other facts that make
>>it totally incorrect to suggest that this one balloon was what
>>Brazel found, and was observed in situ by Marcel and Cavitt, and
>>had something to do with the Mogul Program.

>>A. Many Evening Newspapers on July 8, 1947 (from Chicago West)
>>noted that the material was found by Brazel "sometime last
>>week". That alone rules out Mogul Balloon wreckage since, as has
>>been noted,it would have been very badly deteriorated if it had
>>been out there since mid June.

>Stan,

>How do you know it would have been very badly deteriorated? If >Brazel had found the stuff the week before, as indicated, might >he not have stored it in a shed, out of sunlight, as the >original press release indicated? Or maybe he wrapped it in >something?

Since Dennis seems to like a "How do you know questions" I propose the following:

Dennis, how do you know for a fact that a Mogul balloon (Flight 4) was in fact launched, and in fact landed at the Foster Ranch?

Answer: In fact you don't, and in fact the "closest" anybody in theory can put the Mogel balloon is 17 miles. The theory behind that is just as reliable as the jewel encrusted helmet story.

Bottom line is all we have concerning Mogel could be sumed up with "the 17 mile theory"

>But let's say its now lain outside from mid-June to the >beginning of July. Do you know what the specific weather >conditions were then, whether they consisted of days of full >sunshine, partly cloudy skies, or contiguous days of overcast >skies? I submit that you don't.

Kind of like people trying to turn 17 miles into 1/2 a mile.

>Do you know if it rained on this day or that and wetted the >material, which might have resisted its deterioration? No, you >don't.

>If you are as familiar with weather in the desert Southwest as

>you pretend to be, then you know full well that a recorded >thunderstorm in, say, Roswell, says absolutely nothing about the >meteorological conditions five or ten miles away, never mind as >far away as the Foster ranch. Ditto reports of clear, sunny >skies in Roswell.

Agreed on this one. You can have totally clear weather at a city, and 15 miles away have a downpour that lasts for hours. Point here being is sunlight and many other factors also contribute to the deterioration of materials. You can also have cold nights and hot days which also contribute to deterioration and on and on. The essence is as soon as the material hit ground, it likely started to deterioriate.

>The fact of the matter is that you don't know what the local >weather was like during the period involved and so can't make >the above argument. At least not as confidently and assertively >as you do.

>In addition, you would need to assess the deterioration exposure
>factor, to coin a phrase, of the balloon material in the
>pictures taken in Ramey's office and tell us how many days of
>exposure or deterioration you think it represents.

In some regards you seem to agree with the RPIT, that being that the material in Rameys office came from the debris field at Roswell. Most of us look at the photos and come to the conclusion that the material laying in Rameys office was likely a Rawin target that the General troted out for a photo op.

>Next, maybe you and Rudiak could tell us what degree of >deteriorated balloon material Ramey ordered up in order to >substitute for the real debris. Did he order up a balloon >deteriorated three, five, seven, or 14 days, and under what >specific conditions?

>Wouldn't he just have ordered anything available? But, if so, >why would it have been a deteriorated balloon and a wrecked >rawin? Why couldn't he have shown the press relatively new, >intact ones? The press wouldn't have been any wiser.

>Or maybe you're suggesting that Lawton, Roswell, and other bases
>routinely kept on hand weathered balloons and wrecked rawins.
>Why? Because general Ramey might one day need them for a press
>conference and photo op?

>Who would have this stuff lying around? No one, because there >would have been absolutely no reason to have it lying around. >Who would save a wrecked rawin target, made of balsa wood and >tin foil for any length of time? Do you think bases kept a >stockpile of this stuff?

>The stuff pictured in Ramey's office is just what it pretends to >be: What Marcel picked up outside Roswell and accompanied to >Carswell.

Just like the RPIT team only seems to see alien debris, and others can only see 'Mogul' and yet others can only see Rawin, you give the impression that the only thing you see, and will ever see is something along the lines of 'Marcel picked up balloon debris, took it to Ramey's office, got some photographs taken...' In the end, the theory is still 17 miles short!

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Hutchinson

From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com</u>> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 09:53:37 -700 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:01:30 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Hutchinson

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 12:48:24 EST
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
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>If he had found it the week before, then it already would have >been out in the sun for over 3 weeks. Charles Moore of Mogul has >demonstrated on a number of occasions how the neoprene balloons >deteriorated to a brittle "paper-ash" conditions within 2 to 3 >weeks.

This is from a previous UFO UpDates post at:

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1997/jun/m13-009.shtml

From: legion@werple.net.au [John Stepkowski]
Date: Fri, 13 Jun 1997 09:09:43 +1000 (EST)
Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Jun 1997 12:40:53 -0400
Subject: Re: Reply to Dennis Stacy

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Prof. Moore was asked to sign a statement affirming that the balloons degraded in a matter of _days_. Moore contacted Robert Todd (_Cowflop Quarterly_, Vol 1. No. 1), and informed him that the Air Force had got it wrong. It took _months_ for the _material_ to deteriorate into a charred paper and ash-like state.

Regards,

Bruce Hutchinson

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UFO Alarm In Turkish City

From: Erol Erkmen <andromeda@ultratv.net> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 17:02:53 +0200 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:17:22 -0500

Subject: UFO Alarm In Turkish City

The Mayor of Adyyaman City, Turkey, Halil Ipyk reports that moving lights were observed in the sky from five different locations on January 26-27 and the relevent authorities have been informed.

Ipyk also stated, in his written report, that police departments received many calls about the lights on January 26, at about 23:00hrs, which were over the eastern part of the city.(Regions Tut, Golbasy, Besni)

See: <u>http://www.tuvpo.com/news/adiyaman.gif</u>

Traffic police, who were on duty at the time, in this region confirmed the lights on Adyyaman-Kahta cable. They reported that regional securty police were sent to this area immediately and the star-shaped objects were scattering lights, and rotating on their axis, and were caught by the night vison police camera (6 hours!)

Also on Jan 27 two of those objects with lights were observed on the west side of Adyyaman at 02.15. They were also observed from the roof of the Security Department on Jan 29, at 02:03 and caught by the camera. Those same lights were also confirmed by some police authorities and staff on the same date in the Besni region and near the city center. Video footage will be shown soon by TUVPO's Project PULSAR at:

http://www.tuvpo.com/eng.html

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Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

From: James Oberg <<u>joberg</u>@houston.rr.com> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 09:26:36 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:19:52 -0500 Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

>From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <<u>ufomiami@prodigy.net></u> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net> >Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman >Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 13:03:19 -0500

>The day: Sunday January 27, 2002. No time-of-day given - only >during daytime.

>Do we have satellites orbiting from the South to the North? >As far as I know, in that area, they fly from East to West.

Thanks. Actually, East to West is the only direction satellites _don't_ fly.

Polar orbits - South-to-North and North-to-South - are very common.

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Re: oswell Threads Pt I - Lehmberg

From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 09:37:00 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:22:21 -0500 Subject: Re: oswell Threads Pt I - Lehmberg

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 17:42:38 EST
>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 20:52:37 -0600
>>Subject: Re: UFO UpDate: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 02:39:43 EST
>>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads Pt I
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net</u>

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>>In a succinct 500 words or less. Well, we all know that's
>>impossible. But if you could keep it under 10,000 words I think
>>we'd all appreciate it. There will be other days (and posts),
>>after all.

...It's right about here you provide the most ample demonstration of your inability to make your point, add anything to the discussion, or appear _remotely_ balanced, Mr. Stacy. This patently inappropriate, essentially inaccurate, and pompously inconsequential snipe about post length is but one refuge of the intellectual scoundrel, and would never have been made to Stewart or Todd whose posts were most times so tediously robust that my mail reader would occasionally cough up a silicon hairball... Moreover? If his posts were any shorter you'd complain that they were cursory and incomplete.

>>Dennis Stacy

>Come on Dennis, answer the question. Stop stalling. No drugs or >magical thinking allowed.

...Damn Mr. R. - I guess that rules out _any_ thinking!

>Try not to make your answer "laughable >and stupid."

Awwp! Tall order, that! I guess we'll have to settle for its ready alternate: stupidly laughable. <g>.

Lehmberg@snowhill.com ~~=D6~~ EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his VSN URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND -- John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is -- the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged -- \$200.00 collected! "I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by the specious and scabrous scurrilous.

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Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Rimmer

From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk></u>
Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 15:15:45 +0000
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>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark
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>>From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer</u>@magonia.demon.co.uk>
>>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology

>>But how about this for purple prose - can you guess who wrote
>>it?

>>"...John A. Keel, a veteran critic of ETH whose work we have >>long admired... Keel has probably spent more time in the field >>than any other private researcher. This fact has afforded him >>the opportunity to view the UFO mystery from the inside, and not >>from the distorted perspective of most UFO literature, written >>usually to enhance belief in interplanetary visitors, which >>blithely ignores the evidence inconsiderate enough not to fit >>the author's preconceptions."

>Without checking, I'd say this looks like something I could have >written, and probably did write, 25 to 35 years ago (otherwise, >why would you be citing it?). I can go you one better: Loren >Coleman and I actually dedicated our book Creatures of the Outer >Edge (written in 1975, published in 1978) to Keel. As I have >never made a secret (see, most recently, my article in the next >issue of Fortean Times), I once thought John was a cool guy with >great ideas. Eventually, of course, as my intellect and >understanding evolved, I changed my mind.

>Speaking of which, John, when was the last time _you_ changed >your mind about anything ufological in the past 25 to 35 years? >As far as I can tell, your psychosocial obsession has been >locked in concrete for as long as I can remember.

I have changed my views quite considerably over the past 25 – 30 years. At one time I was attracted all sorts of 'occult' ideas to explain UFOs.

Unfortunately my change has been in the direction of greater scepticism. The more I learned about UFOs and the people who study them, the more I realised that there was no need to invoke unknown forces to explain UFOs. As even from the beginning I was never a particular fan of the ETH you probably haven't noticed.

Perhaps you might be persuaded to make some critical comment about those people whose extraterrestrial obsessions have been locked in concrete as long as any of us can remember.

John Rimmer Magonia Magazine www.magonia.demon.co.uk [Next Message | Previous Message | This Day's Messages] This Month's Index |

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Re: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight - Oberg

From: James Oberg <<u>joberg</u>@houston.rr.com> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 10:43:25 -0600 Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:27:07 -0500 Subject: Re: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight - Oberg

>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 00:03:47 -0500 (Eastern Standard Time)
>From: Nick Balaskas <<u>nikolaos</u>@YorkU.CA>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight

>Below is a book mentioned in SPACE.COM which will be of interest >to those who wish to know about some of the unheralded people, >many of them Canadians, who made American manned spaceflight a >reality.

This is a genuine item of pride for the Canadians, who made some crucial design teams and engineers available to NASA after their own government canceled its domestic high-performance aircraft projects.

>Canadians may have been among the earliest pioneers of manned >spaceflight of modern times but probabaly not the first. Just >today I learned from a Russian student with high level contacts >at the Korolev space research facility in Russia about several >failed attempts made by the Soviets in the 1950s to send humans >into space. What this student also told me was a very intriguing >account of a 1944 failed attempt by Nazi Germany to be the first >to send a man into space through the efforts of their rocket >scientists and engineers which, like the Canadians, eventually >ended up working for the U.S. (and the Soviet) space program.

These stories do seem to bear a striking similarity to some aspects of 'UFO lore', because they are frequently retold and passed on as 'inside information' but have no historical basis. Space historians have thoroughly investigated the possibilities of 'secret Soviet space fatalities' and have concluded the stories are all myth, no matter. The story of a Nazi astronaut on a V-2 is also evidently without foundation, perhaps based on a highly distorted account of the death of a German pilot in a special crew pod on a V-1 cruise missile (not built for space flight).

Jim Oberg

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2002 - The Year Of The MIB

From: Chris Rutkowski <<u>rutkows@Ms.UManitoba.CA></u> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 11:56:38 CST Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:32:32 -0500 Subject: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB

It gets stranger and stranger.

So far in 2002, we have 3 (three) Hollywood movies, either out already or soon to be released, which feature Men In Black as significant characters.

The Mothman Prophecies (in which you never get a good look at Indrid Cold, but he may have been the "first" MIB case encountered by a UFO investigator), MIB2 (with Will Smith returning in the same role), and A Beautiful Mind (with Ed Harris as John Nash's clandestine tormentor).

[Incidentally - A Beautiful Mind is receiving a lot of criticism for glamorising Nash's life a bit too much, leaving out details of his affairs, divorce, homosexual encounters, eviction from Rand, etc. What's more, of relevance to ufology is that Nash most distressed his colleagues when he slumped over the table at a meeting one day, exhausted from trying to decipher the messages to him that aliens (not the Russians) were placing in newspapers, messing with his mind.]

Finally, I must make note of a new theatrical musical which features - believe it or not - MIB singing and dancing in a stage production. Several characters listed as "Mysterious Men In Black" appear and disappear in and out of scenes, shadowing other characters, throughout You Can't Beat Fun, a revival of a musical originally staged in 1940! The MIB even get a musical number where they sing memorable lines like: "We have just come here to see/What kind of talent there may be."

The show opens in Canada on February 20, 2002.

Yes, I have opening night tickets.

Chris Rutkowski

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Aging NASA Spacecraft To Re-enter Earth's

From: <u>NASANews</u>@hq.nasa.gov

Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:20:11 -0500 (EST) Fwd Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:46:24 -0500 Subject: Aging NASA Spacecraft To Re-enter Earth's

Dolores Beasley Headquarters, Washington Jan. 29, 2002 (Phone: 202/358-1753)

Nancy Neal Goddard Space Flight Center, Greenbelt, Md. (Phone: 301/286-0039)

RELEASE: 02-16

AGING NASA SPACECRAFT TO REENTER EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE

Engineers at NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md., predict a 7,000-pound spacecraft could re- enter the Earth's atmosphere as early as 10 p.m. EST on Jan. 30 or as late as 7 a.m. EST on Jan. 31.

NASA's Extreme Ultraviolet Explorer (EUVE) is currently 200 kilometers (124 miles) above the Earth with a descent rate of 25 kilometers (15.5 miles) a day. The estimated debris field is expected to be 800 to 1,000 kilometers (500-625 miles).

"The probability of the few EUVE surviving pieces falling into a populated area and hurting someone is very small. It is more likely that the small pieces will fall into the ocean or fall harmlessly to the ground," said Ronald E. Mahmot, Project Manager for Space Science Mission Operations at Goddard.

Unlike the Compton Gamma Ray Observatory, which was safely de-orbited June 4, 2000, EUVE does not have an on-board propulsion system to allow engineers to control its re-entry. Much of EUVE will burn up in the atmosphere before ever reaching the ground. However, estimates show that up to nine objects ranging from approximately four to 100 pounds may survive re-entry. Much of this debris is made of titanium and stainless steel.

EUVE will start to break up when it falls to within 80 kilometers (50 miles) of the Earth. At this point, EUVE will have only four or five 90-minute orbits left before re- entering the Earth's atmosphere. Engineers will not know the re-entry point until approximately 12 hours prior to impact.

EUVE is in a 28.5-degree orbit and could re-enter in any location within this orbit range. This ranges includes areas as far north as Orlando, Fla., and as far south as Brisbane, Australia.

EUVE was launched on June 7, 1992. Science operations ended for the spacecraft in December 2001. During its early years, EUVE was operated from Goddard. In 1997, control of EUVE was transitioned from Goddard to the University of California, Berkeley and remained there until the program's termination in 2001. Slated for only three years, EUVE was operational for eight. NASA twice extended its scientific mission.

During its eight years in orbit, EUVE successfully opened a new window on the cosmos and helped to bridge the gap in our understanding of the extreme ultraviolet spectrum. Rather than

seeing about 24 nearby objects as many predicted, EUVE observed more than 1,000 nearby sources, including more than three dozen objects outside our galaxy.

Additional background information about EUVE is available on the Internet at:

http://heasarc.gsfc.nasa.gov/docs/euve/euve.html

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NASA press releases and other information are available automatically by sending an Internet electronic mail message to <u>domo@hq.nasa.gov</u>. In the body of the message (not the subject line) users should type the words "subscribe press-release" (no quotes). The system will reply with a confirmation via E-mail of each subscription. A second automatic message will include additional information on the service. NASA releases also are available via CompuServe using the command GO NASA. To unsubscribe from this mailing list, address an E-mail message to <u>domo@hq.nasa.gov</u>, leave the subject blank, and type only "unsubscribe press-release" (no quotes) in the body of the message.

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John,

>I have changed my views quite considerably over the past 25 - 30
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>to explain UFOs.

I'll take you at your word for that, but I haven't observed that in your writing, which (if memory serves) I first encountered around 1970 or not long thereafter. I do know that one time, before its current view locked in, the psychosocial crowd was willing to incorporate parapsychological theories (not the same as occult beliefs) into its explanatory efforts, but as its approach evolved into a variant of Menzelism and Klassism, that was jettisoned, too.

>Unfortunately my change has been in the direction of greater >scepticism. The more I learned about UFOs and the people who >study them, the more I realised that there was no need to >invoke unknown forces to explain UFOs.

The more I have learned of the UFO phenomenon and the people who attempt to debunk it, the more convinced I have become of the uselessness of explanations that seek, with ever more desperation and irrelevance, to deny the role of unknown forces behind the most puzzling UFO reports.

>Perhaps you might be persuaded to make some critical comment >about those people whose extraterrestrial obsessions have been >locked in concrete as long as any of us can remember.

Maybe they were paying closer attention than you and I were.

Jerry Clark

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Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB - Meiners

From: Jean Meiners <<u>legalco</u>@uswest.net> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:51:42 -0700 Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:28:26 -0500 Subject: Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB - Meiners

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>Subject: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB

>It gets stranger and stranger.

>So far in 2002, we have 3 (three) Hollywood movies, either out >already or soon to be released, which feature Men In Black as >significant characters.

<snip>

Maybe they are trying to desensitize the general public to their appearance and presence?!

Jean M.

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Tonnies

From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 12:43:33 -0800 (PST) Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:30:17 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Tonnies

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 12:48:24 EST
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>You just get so emotional when your pet Mogul explanation gets >mortally wounded. Whether or not the debris got rained on isn't >even the primary argument why the Rawin in Ramey's office >couldn't come from Mogul. IQBS -- It's the quantity of debris

Perhaps - if Mogul is indeed the correct interpretation - Ramey didn't feel it was at all necessary to litter every corner of his office with balloon debris to get the point across to the press. The solitary shredded Rawin we see in the photos may have been a representative sampling.

I'm not suggesting that a single Rawin was what crashed at the Foster ranch. But if the debris was terrestrial and extensive, as indicated by Marcel, why bother lugging the entirety of it to Carswell? A "sample" would do nicely for PR purposes.

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 15:43:44 EST
Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:31:54 -0500
Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Rudiak

>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com</u>>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 09:53:37 -700
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 12:48:24 EST
>>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 17:23:33 -0600
>>>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded

>>>How do you know it would have been very badly deteriorated? If
>>>Brazel had found the stuff the week before, as indicated, might
>>>he not have stored it in a shed, out of sunlight, as the
>>>original press release indicated? Or maybe he wrapped it in
>>>something?

>>If he had found it the week before, then it already would have
>>been out in the sun for over 3 weeks. Charles Moore of Mogul has
>>demonstrated on a number of occasions how the neoprene balloons
>>deteriorated to a brittle "paper-ash" conditions within 2 to 3
>>weeks.

>This is from a previous UFO UpDates post at:

>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1997/jun/m13-009.shtml

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>From: legion@werple.net.au [John Stepkowski]
>Date: Fri, 13 Jun 1997 09:09:43 +1000 (EST)
>Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Jun 1997 12:40:53 -0400
>Subject: Re: Reply to Dennis Stacy

><snip>

>Prof. Moore was asked to sign a statement affirming that the >balloons degraded in a matter of _days_. Moore contacted Robert >Todd (_Cowflop Quarterly_, Vol 1. No. 1), and informed him that >the Air Force had got it wrong. It took _months_ for the >_material_ to deteriorate into a charred paper and ash-like >state.

Bruce, this is just another example of how Moore's story continues to evolve to whatever he wants it to be. Moore has _repeatedly_ demonstrated how the neoprene rapidly deteriorates in N.M. sun in a matter of 2 to 3 weeks to a tattered, brittle, ashlike state. But when it was pointed out several years ago that the Fort Worth balloon material was apparently still intact and pliable, Moore changed his story to it taking several months to deteriorate.

Wendy Connors also just e-mailed a photo of Moore she took only a year ago holding up one of his neoprene sheets that had been exposed for only 2 weeks. Again, it is black and in tatters. I am going to e-mail this photo to you and Dennis Stacy. Please examine the photo and let the Updates crowd know whether I am misrepresenting anything here.

Thus as recently as 2000, Moore was still demonstrating the rapid deterioration of the neoprene. On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, it takes only 2 to 3 weeks to deteriorate into a brittle, tattered state. But on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, it takes months so he can maintain the fiction that the balloon in the Fort Worth photos is consistent with a balloon that has sat out in the sun for a month. He speaks out of both sides of his mouth.

Here is also a response to Dennis Stacy I wrote 3 years ago on the issue.

http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1998/sep/m18-020.shtml

Me:

>>"Smoky grey" "rubber strips" which he said he rolled into a
>>bundle. Unfortunately, if the "neoprene" had actually lain out
>>in the hot sun for a month (Brazel said he recovered it July 4,
>>exactly one month of your alleged Mogul crash), the material
>>would no longer have resembled rubber nor had any elasticity
>>left. After two or three weeks, the sunlight reduced the
>>neoprene balloons to a brittle, ashlike state, according to
>>Mogul engineer Charles Moore. So "strange" indeed that his
>>rubber description didn't match what one would expect for some
>>month-old balloons.

Dennis Stacy:

>For what it's worth, I believe that Moore has since changed this >to a couple of months, based partly on experimentation.

Me:

It's not worth too much, since Moore has been all over the place on this issue. As recently as last November (1997) on Scientific American Frontiers (PBS TV), he held up a piece of neoprene weather balloon material which he said he had left in the New Mexico sun for only two to three weeks. It was blackened, in tatters, falling apart, and you could clearly hear it crinkle like cellophane, indicating it had gotten stiff and lost its elasticity. He did the same demonstraton when interviewed by the Air Force in 1994 by Lt. McAndrew. He told McAndrew he had left the sample in the sun for three weeks. McAndrew compared it to "paper ash." And in his Air Force affidavit (initialed twice for each paragraph by Moore certifying his agreement), it was written, "Some of the material would almost look like dark gray or black flakes or ashes after exposure to the sun for _only_a_ _few_days_."

It looks to me that when it's pointed out that the material shown in Fort Worth doesn't look like "flakes" or "ashes" though supposedly exposed to the sun for a full month (based on Brazel's RDR interview), but instead looks like a still relatively intact balloon folded up in a heap, Moore's suddenly changes his story to the neoprene maintaining its integrity for several months. But he's clearly on record as saying otherwise and quite recently too.

As recently as a year ago, at least. Connors photo is worth 10,000 words. David Rudiak

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Secrecy News -- 01/29/02

From: **Steven Aftergood** <<u>saftergood</u>@fas.org> Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 12:34:35 -0500 Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:36:22 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/29/02

SECRECY NEWS from the FAS Project on Government Secrecy Volume 2002, Issue No. 10 January 29, 2002

A NEW TOOL FOR CONGRESSIONAL ACCESS TO INFORMATION
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A NEW TOOL FOR CONGRESSIONAL ACCESS TO INFORMATION

While officials grapple over the proper boundaries of Congressional oversight of executive branch activities, a federal court has upheld the use of an unusual statutory mechanism called the Seven Member Rule to compel agencies to disclose certain types of information to Congress.

Last year, sixteen members of the House Government Reform Committee sued the Bush Administration for access to census data that the Administration did not want to release.

The lawsuit cited the Seven Member Rule, which is a 1928 statutory provision dictating that an agency must release information if it is requested by seven members of the House Government Reform Committee (or five members of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee) and concerns a matter under the Committee's jurisdiction. This provision had never before been tested in court.

In a landmark January 18 decision, the Court found the Rule valid and applicable, and ordered the requested data to be disclosed.

Rep. Henry Waxman, the ranking Democrat on the Committee, hailed the Court decision. The Seven Member Rule could become "an important tool for the public's right to know," Waxman told the New York Times.

See the Court's ruling and related documentation here:

http://www.house.gov/reform/min/inves other/other census.htm

See also "Judge Allows Unusual Bid to Get Data from Census" by David E. Rosenbaum in the January 26 New York Times:

http://www.nytimes.com/2002/01/26/politics/26ACCE.html

WHITE HOUSE SEEKS TO REVERSE "35 YEARS OF DECLINE"

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said yesterday that the Administration's refusal to disclose information requested by the General Accounting Office concerning Enron and the Vice President's Energy Task Force was a matter of high principle and was intended to reverse decades of erosion in Presidential power.

"I think it is to stop the decline of the power of the

presidency that have taken place the last 35 years or so," Fleischer told the Associated Press, echoing remarks made by Vice President Cheney over the weekend.

But what was it that happened 35 years ago, years before Watergate, that initiated this supposed decline in the power of the Presidency?

The answer seems to be the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), which was enacted about 35 years ago, in 1966.

By granting members of the public a legal right to public information, the FOIA and related "sunshine" laws did in fact diminish the power of the President to arbitrarily withhold information and to evade public accountability. Whether this is a sign of decline or of political maturity is evidently a matter of perspective.

NASA RESUMES RELEASE OF SHUTTLE MAPPING DATA

NASA this month resumed the public release of certain highly precise digital mapping data collected by the Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) in February 2000 following a moratorium on disclosure late last year.

The National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA), which is an SRTM co-sponsor, had ordered a halt to release of the digital maps after September 11 due to security concerns, according to the Washington Post (12/17/01). The agency also withdrew certain SRTM maps of U.S. military installations and other sensitive locations from public access.

Release of the mapping data, which requires special application software for viewing, recommenced earlier this month. For further information, see the SRTM homepage here:

http://www.jpl.nasa.gov/srtm/

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Re: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight - McCoy

From: GT McCoy <gtmccoy@harborside.com>
Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 06:41:57 -0800 [???]
Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:39:18 -0500
Subject: Re: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight - McCoy

>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 00:03:47 -0500 (Eastern Standard Time)
>From: Nick Balaskas <<u>nikolaos@</u>YorkU.CA>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight

Hello, all, Nick.

>Below is a book mentioned in SPACE.COM which will be of interest >to those who wish to know about some of the unheralded people, >many of them Canadians, who made American manned spaceflight a >reality.

I've always held that the Canadian Aerospace Industry was second to none for the reasons Nick stated. They also had a Government openly hostile to any kind of forward thinking in Aerospace.

Don't feel bad so did the US and Great Britain, lost projects galore due to idiots in the government agencies. One of the reasons for the CF-105's demise is the foolish idea that the manned fighter was passe' and that the Boeing Bomarc missile was going to sweep Russian Bombers from the Northern Sky.

However, the Bomarc turned out to be one of those cold war projects that well, the only safe place was behind one and to the right. Less than 100% reliable shall we say.

>Canadians may have been among the earliest pioneers of manned >spaceflight of modern times but probably not the first. Just >today I learned from a Russian student with high level contacts >at the Korolev space research facility in Russia about several >failed attempts made by the Soviets in the 1950s to send humans >into space. What this student also told me was a very intriguing >account of a 1944 failed attempt by Nazi Germany to be the first >to send a man into space through the efforts of their rocket >scientists and engineers which, like the Canadians, eventually >ended up working for the U.S. (and the Soviet) space program.

I'd like to know more about this one. The Nazis had a manned V-1 that was supposed to be a suicide bomb like the Japanese "Baka" piloted bomb. As I recall, the German female test pilot Hanna Riesch flew the infernal thing, and one pilot (male) died in testing. The V-2 Rocket didn't have enough suds for a manned space shot, unless it was short of real space. However they did have a whole lot of interesting ideas that never came about, thank God.

>What does all this have to do with UFOs you ask? Well, there is >an eccentric and very secrective individual west of Toronto who, >according to his friends, has an AVRO flying saucer among his >huge collection of aircraft and parts. This is not the disk >shaped AVRO Car that simply hovered but a secret one which could >fly to the edge of space and move at supersonic speeds just like >the newspapers claimed at the time. Many strange sightings of >extremely high altitude contrails created by something moving at >Mach 7 made by upper atmosphere scientists strongly suggests >that Canadian engineers may very well have been just as >successful with the AVRO Car (a later version shown flying in >space appears on a recent cover of 'Popular Mechanics') as they Re: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight - McCoy

>were with the AVRO Arrow (and the Apollo Project).

Who knows?, there have been kooks and cranks with huge collections of stuff, I knew an MD that, upon his death it was discovered that he had on his farm, every model of Ford sedan made since 1919. this was 1978, and a collection of five aircraft, Stinson, Piper, and Cessnas of various kinds. All of this stuff was left to rot, but being eastern Washington's high desert country, it didn't rot much.

Needless to say there was an interesting estate sale.

><snip>

>* Featured Book: Arrows to the Moon: Avro's Engineers and the
>Space Race

>http://www.space.com/spacelibrary/books/library gainor 020125.html

>On February 20, 1959, the Canadian government shut down the >CF-105 Avro Arrow jet interceptor program, putting the cream of >Canada's aerospace engineering talent out of work.

With it the demise of an aircraft that, even today would be nothing to be ashamed of.

If it wasn't for idiots in high places, we'd be on Mars now trying to figure out a way to get to Alpha Centauri.

GT McCoy

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Gates

From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u> Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 01:24:01 EST Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:43:42 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Gates

>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 17:33:40 -0600
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
>From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>

<snip>

>While we're at it, let me ask you this: How many people, in the >course of your Roswell investigations, have you talked to who >said that absolutely nothing unusual occurred during the dates >in question? This would include Kent Lorenzo and others. And how >many of those have made it into your writings on Roswell? Some? >A few? None?

>If none, why not? After all, aren't they a legitimate part of >the Roswell story, too?

Dennis,

I still haven't figured out why you keep beating this particular dead horse, i.e. why people who have nothing to say are somehow important or meaningful in the picture of things. Using this logic trail, if one was investigating a car accident we should also talk to the people who didn't see anything, and or lived 20 miles away because somehow, some way what they have to say has meaning and is important.

More to the point, using this logic trail, when an airplane crashes the investigators should include the testimony of people who don't know anything, didn't see anything, and can't contribute anything meaningful to the investigation...I doubt it.

Are these kind of people a legit part of the story? I seriously doubt it.

Cheers,

Robert

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Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:27:37 -0800
Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:46:34 -0500
Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

>From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <<u>ufomiami@prodigy.net></u> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net> >Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman >Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 13:03:19 -0500

>>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg@houston.rr.com></u>
>>To: <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman
>>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 09:01:26 -0600

>>>From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <<u>ufomiami@prodigy.net></u>
>>>To: UFO UpDates <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>>>Subject: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman
>>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 21:36:38 -0500

>>>9 UFOs Taped By Chilean Channel 13 Cameraman

>>>Sunday January 27, 2002

>>>Felipe Martinez was taping on assignment in Lota, Region VIII >>>of Chile when nine UFOs show up flying in formation at high >>>speed from south to north.

>>Do we have any information on the date and time-of-day of the >>event?

>>It's always helpful to check:

>>http://www.satellite.eu.org/seesat/Jan-2002/index.html

>>for satellite entries, especially when the description is
>>multiple objects 'in formation'.

>The day: Sunday January 27, 2002. No time-of-day given - only >during daytime.

>Do we have satellites orbiting from the South to the North? >As far as I know, in that area, they fly from East to West.

>Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo >Miami UFO Center

Hello Virgilio:

Spy satellites routinely fly South to North and then North to South again after they pass near one pole or the other.

Such orbits, with small adjustments, will eventually cover every part of the Earth. Your standard tel-sats are generally on equatorial orbits, and cover polar regions very poorly, or not at all.

Lower orbits decay as they graze the upper reaches of the atmosphere like spy sats often do. Launch motors (rockets) almost always do, at least the first stages. These motors will generally follow the same North South trajectories as their payloads (spy sats), but at a lower altitude. Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

Once in a decay-mode, a satellite and/or launch rockets will sometimes put on a magnificent display, depending upon time of day etc. I saw a beauty once. It turned every color of the rainbow in sequence. As it gracefully tumbled during burnout, it apparently exposed one surface and then another to the plasma of the ionosphere. A skeptical friend called me to point this out. It took a good 20 minutes to cross the sky, from South to North almost exactly.

I did not take the bait. I called back and indicated that I saw a really neat space-junk burnout, but no UFOs.

Best wishes

- Larry Hatch

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Re: Manned Spaceflight - Young

From: Kenny Young <ufo@fuse.net>
Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 04:05:55 -0500
Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:47:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Manned Spaceflight - Young

>From: James Oberg <<u>joberg</u>@houston.rr.com>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Canadians & Manned Spaceflight
>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 10:43:25 -0600

>The story of a Nazi astronaut >on a V-2 is also evidently without foundation, perhaps based on >a highly distorted account of the death of a German pilot in a >special crew pod on a V-1 cruise missile (not built for space >flight).

>Jim Oberg

James Oberg;

Here is one account of a female German pilot surviving a flight on a V-1 rocket, from the Cincinnati Enquirer dated July 6, 1947. While this doesn't pertain to actual space flight she may have been the first person to have 'The Right Stuff' (if true...!) -- KY

"GIRL RODE V-1, LIVED TO TELL ALL, GERMANS AVOW"

Washington, July 5 - (UP) - Army Air Force officials disclosed tonight that German scientists had informed them a German woman pilot once rode a V-1 German buzz bomb, of the type used in the bombardment of Britain, and lived.

American tests of the V-1 indicated that the German report probably was true. The V-1 is powered by a ram jet engine and its acceleration exerts pressure only seven to eight times that of gravity on launching.

The Germans turned over to the U.S. Army authentic photographs of the launching of a V-1 with a man aboard. This particular buzz bomb, however, went out of control and crashed, the A.A.F. reported.

A.A.F. scientists said the Germans were experimenting with a new air weapon late in the World War II that might have broken up big U.S. formation if it had been perfected in time. It consisted of a huge RAM-jet engine with a small attached cockpit for a pilot.

The idea was to ram it into an approaching enemy formation and break it up.

Fighters could then swarm in and finish the formation off, according to the German plan.

The ram-jet pilot was supposed to parachute to safety after he had done his damage.

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"ELIMINATE CERTAINTY AND WATCH 'EM SQUIRM"

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Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols - Hyvonen

From: Minna Hyv=F6nen <<u>minna.hyvonen@kolumbus.fi</u>>
Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 09:03:39 +0200
Fwd Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 08:08:49 -0500
Subject: Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols - Hyvonen

>From: Alfred Lehmberg <Lehmberg@snowhill.com>
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols
>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 03:23:28 -0600

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 13:47:01 EST
>>Subject: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols
>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

<snip>

>An interested lurker asked me to pass this along, Jimbo... seems >like good stuff to me.

>The first order of business would be to make the proposed study
>as "bullet-proof" as possible on the front end. (Before it
>begins)

Alfred posted a good "memory-list" about things that should be done. Also, I=B4ll write basing my opinions to a lay-man's experience in a small country and to the discussion between UFO researhers and sceptics here.

In discussions in Finland the same old stories are heard. Sceptics claims, that the work of ufo-researchers lacks of many things and because it the work of ufo- researchers is not credential. Sceptics claims those lacks are:

a) Educational. There is very rare academical people among finnish ufo-researchers. Like Albert brought up, the credential of these researchers should be possible to check (I=B4m not saying these folks aren=B4t credential-ones).

b) The lack of "the plan of research" (=3D freely translated).

Sceptics has told to the ufo-researchers in Finland, that there should be a plan about the survey of people=B4s observations and/or experiences they are gonna start. Without it the research is not "(enough) scientific".

This plan should contain alot more than only an announcement about the research just started. I guess you all know better than me what this document is called in english, but to specify what I=B4m trying to describe here is a list about some things it should contain:

- 1) the reserach-problem
- 2) the issue of the research
- 3) plans how to fulfill this research (methods to research)
- 4) plans how to select the persons and researchers
- 5) list of researchers involving the project

- 6) how their credibility is varified
- earlier publishments of the same study, if there is any
- 8) plans how long time is estimated to be needed to the research
- 9) evaluation of coming expenses, how much they are gonna be expenses in *each step* of the research, how the expenses are planned to find and how they are planned to use
- 10) plans how to publish the results
- 11) plans how to handle the results

This document is needed when the research is ment to be as scientific as possible. This document is also an advertisment to those who may get intrested to give some funding to this research (like Mr. Bigelow and Mr. Rockefeller has done).

Minna H

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E.T.s Coordinating Spacecraft Fly-by At The Olympics?

PHOENIX (Wireless Flash) -- Next month's Winter Olympics in Salt Lake City will be attracting all sorts of tourists -- including E.T.

That's according to a Phoenix-based hypnotherapist who claims she's been in contact with ETs all her life.

Victoria Liljenquist says her "space brothers" have told her they plan to fly a cigar-shaped craft over thousands of Olympic spectators on February 21, sometime between 12 p.m. and 5 p.m., weather permitting.

That's just around the same time as the gold medal round for the women's curling event.

Liljenquist says the UFO appearance "won't be subtle" because ET motherships are anywhere from 250 to 1000 miles long.

She says the ETs have chosen the Olympics to make their big debut because it ensures a world wide audience will see "undeniable proof of extraterrestrials' presence."

[UFO UpDates thanks <u>www.anomalist.com</u> for the lead]

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UFOs were observed over Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Louisiana, Arkansas, California, New Hampshire, Hawaii, Mexico, Brazil, England and Italy A new UFO Museum opens in Ankara, Turkey.

ARKANSAS ABDUCTION

CARLYLE -- Paul S. wrote, I was abducted October 28.1999, on the north side of the railroad bridge while boating in Carlyle. That was my third known abduction that year. Two were from The Lake of the Ozarks. I remember very little of the actual abduction, but I was able to recall the position changes. It took some time to figure out what happened and I am still remembering only bits and pieces. I remember boating under the bridge near the railroad embankment when I paused to open a map in order locate the main channel. The next thing I remember is being one quarter of a mile into the stumped filled northern section of the lake. I was understandably confused and disorientated. I figured out where I was with a map and compass, which is normally not needed there. I then proceeded to explore and fish the area totally forgetting the position change. I was reminded by what I think is an unusual trigger using the GPS equipment in my boat. I found a way to put my saved GPS trails on a computer map. When I put the saved trail from that fishing trip on the map I got a shock.

The trail went over the railroad embankment and back in a rapidly moving narrow parabolic curve. Somehow the boat had to be flying in the air. Then there is a gap and the spot the trail starts again is the spot I remembered, "appearing" at. When I saw the evidence, the memory of the position change came back as if I had never forgotten it. The same thing occurred at the second Lake of the Ozarks abduction. I went to a therapist in St. Louis and in eleven sessions was able to get no further. I kept blocking up when I got to the point of the abductions. I do have a memory of a gray alien and a structure on the craft. I have some other mental pictures, but I am not sure of them. Predictably I began to remember some things from my childhood that indicates a possible history of these things. I have been writing a narrative of the events as I recall them with my opinions and thoughts on it. It seems to be good therapy. I seem to be affected less than many abductees. Thanks to Paul S.

Editor's Note -- I encourage abduction reports particularly when some evidence such as this Global Positioning System (GPS) tracking is found. The GPS system provides accurate time and location within fifteen feet giving credibility to an alleged abduction. In recent years the science as made amazing strides and interest in abductions has been hurt by the lack of supporting evidence. Here is a case that provides some key evidence. For a thousand dollars anyone can put a satellite tracking system into their vehicle that is about the size of a pound of margarine. The only way this tracking data could have occurred is with a hovering craft.

NEW HAMPSHIRE UFO SIGHTINGS NOT YET IDENTIFIED

FREMONT - Unidentified flying objects are not unusual in Rockingham County. At an increasing pace over the last decade, UFOs have been sighted performing a gymnast's repertoire of aerial maneuvers. The Web site <u>www.ufopage.com</u> lists 33 documented sightings since 1995. On January 24, 2002, New Hampshire may have been visited again. At 10:04 p.m. Fremont Police Officer H.D. Wood was dispatched to Main Street to investigate a report of two objects hovering silently in the air. The objects were described as "bright and full of lights," according to the police report. Wood had been on these calls before, though his department lacks any protocol to follow and the police academy does not train cadets for these situations. "Quite frankly, I don't believe we have a policy as to how to handle this kind of thing," Wood said. "I guess it's common sense, really." Wood said the witness was describing the actions of the UFOs, as he was en route. The witness described the objects as hovering silently in the air. The larger of the two objects flew south toward Sandown. The smaller object flew north toward Brentwood. They were gone when Wood, assisted by a Brentwood police officer, pulled up. "We arrived on the scene and (the witness) said, 'I'm not crazy. I'm not on drugs,'" Wood recalled. He said the witness and the witness's wife and daughter all saw the objects. The witness claimed a passing motorist also saw the event but didn't stop. Wood investigated the area, saw no evidence the snow had been disturbed and wrote his report. Without other witnesses or any physical indication of a visitation, Wood said he considers the case closed. "In my mind, if it's substantiated, you call the FAA to see if there are any reports of aircraft in the area," Wood said. "Then you call other dispatch centers to see if they've gotten calls, because what happens is, if something is sighted, everyone is going to call." Wood said his first reaction when he received the call was to seek background on the caller. "To be honest, when I did get the call I did pull up my laptop to see if we'd had any previous contact at this address," Wood said. He describes himself as a skeptic, but said he absolutely believes the witness did see something. "I was skeptical at first," he said. "Then I listened to the person discuss the issue and they were very adamant that they saw something."

Fremont Police Chief Neal Janvrin was an officer with the Exeter Police Department on Sept. 3, 1965, the day of New Hampshire's most notorious UFO sighting, an incident that became the subject of a book, "Incident at Exeter." That day would be a significant date in history for believers in alien visitations. It is rare that a police officer can substantiate a sighting, but on this day two of Janvrin's fellow officers, Dave Hunt, and Gene Bertrand, as well as many civilians, would report seeing a large, elliptical object with red lights around it. The object reportedly moved between houses and trees while the lights blinked in sequence. Janvrin said he's been on UFO calls before, but he's never seen a UFO himself. Janvrin said the only thing an officer can do is take a report. "Obviously, if we get there and we see something we would try and photograph it," he said. "If there was some sign of disturbance we would record it." Janvrin said he doesn't consider himself a non-believer, but does not have enough evidence to say he is a believer. "You look up in the sky, you see all the suns, and every sun has so many planets I guess the possibility does exist. We're on this planet," he said. He added that Hunt and Bertrand's experience gives him pause to reconsider. "They were two guys who I worked with and I trusted," Janvrin said. Thanks to: Rockingham News, Plaistow / NH. Published: Jan 25.02 Byline: Jeff Kaplan and Farshores. FarShores UFO News www.100megsfree4.com/farshores/index.htm

PENNSYLVANIA THREE UFOS FILMED

WILKES-BARRE -- Ron Hannivig reports that photos have been taken somewhere over the Wilkes-Barre area of three UFOs. These are excellent photos however, as the old adage goes "if it's too good to be true it probably ain't." My best interpretation of the photos was that the UFOs appear to be ceramic in composition. They might well be a boniface and properly documented sighting of three UFOs - and I will/we will try to track down the source to find out if it could be credible, or not. Thanks to RonHannivig, Simpson, PA

MARYLAND FLUORESCENT GREEN BLUE CENTERED EGG SHAPED OBJECT

BEL AIR -- As the witnesses were driving south on Tollgate Road on January 7, 2002, they saw a bright fluorescent green colored glowing egg shaped object with a faint blue center. It was traveling from northeast to southwest it seamed to suddenly drop from the sky and followed a path that started high and decreased lower in the sky even though when the object did disappear it was still very high but lower from where it started. We listened for an explosion like fireworks, but we heard or saw nothing. We figured it could not have been a meteor because the object would have been white, red, or yellow and it would have not followed a curved arc shaped path. The object from our car window was very large and it was traveling at an extremely fast pace, like a falling star. The object had a faint blue center surrounded in green. There was no tail. You could definitely see a blue dot in the center of the object and you could notice where the objects edges were. When the object disappeared it was going very fast and was still very high above the horizon. It disappeared instantly with no explosion, sound, or change of shape or color.

BALTIMORE -- At the same time witnesses saw a streaking white light that turned blue and accelerated at incredible speed. The witness says, "I noticed a streaking white light similar to a "shooting star" but two or three times larger. The light suddenly turned into a blue light that was even larger and then accelerated forward at an incredible rate and was no longer visible." Peter B. Davenport, Director National UFO Reporting Center www.nuforc.com

VIRGINIA GREEN FIREBALL VAPOR CAME ACROSS THE SKY AT SPEED

NEW KENT -- The witness was driving home from work east on Interstate 64 on January 11, 2001, when his friend said, "Look!" He looked and saw a fluorescent bright green vapor like craft at 5:45 PM. It moved from north to south very fast faster than any airplane could possibly travel. When it reached the road it turned in a southern direction. With a great burst of speed it shot off into the sky and in one or two seconds it completely disappeared. We could see the light (vapor) go from large green mass to a tiny flash as it disappeared. There was no sound. It looked like something you would see on Star Wars or something. I have never experienced like this before but this was definitely a UFO! As it was going away from us toward the south, traveling as fast as light. The weather was as clear as a bell. This was real.

RICHMOND -- A green fireball traveling from the WNW to ESE on January 7, 2002. The sighting lasted about two seconds at 17:43. The interesting thing is that the cloud cover was thick and fairly low. The fireball appeared to be just inside the clouds. The location of the sighting was driving into the parking lot of the Tuckahoe YMCA on Patterson Avenue. Another witness states, "I was in parking lot at Midlothian Turnpike and a colored light flew by at 5:45 PM It was a beautiful bluish green and very bright moving at a steady rate of speed with no sound. My coworker Alice W., was stopped at the light at 5:45 PM, at Hull Street and Hicks Road when she saw a fast moving bluish light higher than the treetops. It was moving much faster and lower than an airplane. She also saw a second stationary bluish light off to the right. Her description matches mine. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, Director National UFO Reporting Center www.nuforc.com

WEST VIRGINIA USAF JETS BELIEVED TO HAVE SHOT AT UFO'S IN 1950'S.

PINEVILLE -- The witness reports that he was living between the towns of Pineville and Mullens in July of 1957 and one day my father and older sister saw was a space capsules of some sort being chased by three or four USAF jet aircraft. I was a tot at the time and did not understand what was going on. The Air Force jets shot these UFO's out of the sky around 1:00 PM, or else they were shooting at them and drove them away. This leads me to believe that there could perhaps have been many encounters that our government has had with UFO's through the years and have shot them down for national security purposes. I do not know the exact date of this, but I believe it to be in the summer sometime between 1955 and 1957. My dad has since died but every now and again my sister mentions this sighting. Neither of the two made a big issue out of this or reported it to anyone. I can attest they are both people of integrity and would have never made up the story. It is still a very real incident in the mind of my oldest sister to this day. Truth sticks in a person's mind forever, falsehoods soon fade in the passing of time.

GEORGIA WHITE ROUND SPINNING OBJECT FLASHING WHITE, RED, GREEN LIGHTS.

The witness reports that on January 9, 2002, the UFO hovered and did not move for two hours. At 3:00 AM, in only ten minutes it flew behind the tree line and was gone. It was a round very bright blinking light that was brighter than the northern star. With binoculars you could see it had flashing white, red, and green lights.

Walter Sheets MUFON State Director reports that sightings have been relatively quiet as far as incoming Georgia reports go for 2002. I would like to mention again that the short trend of noncooperative witnesses continued through the end of 2001, with another that filed an initial report, but failed to do a sit-down with our personnel to make it 'official.' This type of thing happens -- just wish it would happen somewhere else! I particularly dislike the way some witnesses have acted -standing up our personnel, not returning phone calls etc. Of course, with persons acting like that, their reports would probably not have stood up to our first hand scrutiny anyway.

We did receive one older unusual report via WUFOD, that during October of 1997, a Jefferson Georgia couple arrived home one night at about 10:00 PM. They turned into their driveway and noticed a red glow eight feet away from their front door in the yard and six feet off of the ground. Upon closer examination, the red glow was the intensity of a red Christmas light, and about the size of softball. It hovered as the witnesses drove to the end of the driveway and began to observe for several minutes. They noticed that their three outdoor dogs were sitting in a small circle underneath the glowing ball. The 45 pound dogs appeared to be nervously happy, stretching their necks upward and excited. They would not break their sitting position, and were only intent upon looking up at the glow. The dogs were normally frisky types that would go after something aggressively, but not that night. It was almost like the glowing ball was 'talking' to their dogs, making them happy while they sat underneath in the circle. The Mrs. finally walked toward the glow with her husband unsure about the wisdom in that. She said that she would have reached out to grab at it, but that it moved upwards to about 25 feet and then blinked out as she approached. She felt the round ball was still there even after it blinked out at 25 feet due to the dogs continued conduct. After failing to relocate the ball of light, they went on about their evening activities. About ten minutes later, her husband went out back to feed the animals. He called them, then once again observed the red ball of light as it flew over the house into the backyard. It continued into an adjacent field for about 500 feet and landed in the field and then once again went out, vanishing for good. These are excellent witnesses.

On April 25, 1998, about six months later, a report of a red glow in the shape of a thin straight line, hovering, then moving at incredible speed, was reported in Comer, by a University of Georgia student, majoring in physics, See ISUR File #100132, and <u>MUFONGA@webtv.net</u>. Thanks to Tom Sheets.

ILLINOIS ORANGE LIGHTS

NORTH OF FREEPORT IN STEPHENSON CO. -- On January 9, 2002, the witness reports, "I was driving north on a country road and looked over to my right at 7:00 PM, and just above the horizon were three orangish/white lights." They weren't blinking and seemed to be still. I turned right on the next road keeping my eye on them the best that I could. After I turned the one blinked out and the two remained. They were so close and bright it seemed I could easily catch up to them and see what they were for sure. No matter how fast I drove I couldn't get close. I noticed the one up ahead of me looking as if it was going to cross over the road ahead of me, so I thought I'd be able to see it just over the next hill because it was a clear view for miles around. Well, I get over the hill and it was gone. I then saw them over Rockford, so I gave up my chase and came home. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, Director National UFO Reporting

Center <u>www.nuforc.com</u>

LOUISIANA

ALEXANDRIA -- On Monday, January 14, 2002, Sondra Coaker observed a succession of four white lights blinking on starting from the left at 7:15 PM, going to the right, and then blinking off from the right to the left. This was done three times southwest over the city, These lights were very bright and when one would light up the others followed in succession and went out in succession. They were lined up in an angle at 45 degrees high. Thanks to Sondra Coaker moonreapr@cox-internet.com

ARIZONA FLYING TRIANGLE AND WHITE OBJECT STREAKS ACROSS SKY, EXPLODES $% \left({{\left({{{\left({{{\left({{{}} \right)}} \right.} \right.} \right.} \right)}} \right)$

FOUNTAIN HILLS -- At precisely 3:00 AM, the witness saw a bright light in my front yard on January 10, 2002. He looked out his window and saw a triangular craft hovering over the street with red and yellow lights moving around the shape of the craft. I watched it for approximately fifteen seconds and went outside to investigate. I walked up the spiral staircase to our roof but it had already left. I stayed on the roof for about ten minutes and saw a little flash as if something was leaving our atmosphere.

PHOENIX -- On January 10, 2002, the witness was driving south on Litchfield Road in Avondale area of Phoenix at 9:30 PM, when he saw an extremely bright object burning bluish white streaking across the night sky. The object appeared to be headed in a southwestern direction when it appeared to me in the left peripheral area of my sight. The witness pointed and shouted out excitedly to his 8 year old daughter. The witness states, "Then the object seemed to explode into an orange and red ball of flame then blinked out. A moment later it flared up again directly below the point I had last seen it and was falling toward the ground and no longer streaking across the horizon as before," he said. Then it burned completely out just before reaching the horizon. Before and after the orange-red blast, the object was burning so brightly that it cast a faint blue hue on the horizon, lighting up everything in sight. It also had a burning white tail that trailed behind it.

CHANDLER -- Twenty minutes later, another witness was driving south on Route 101 between Ray and Chandler Boulevard at 9:50 PM. A defining green cylinder shaped object flew overhead and skimmed diagonally through the sky at a high rate of speed much like a shooting star. The only possible thing I could have mistaken this for is a meteor. However, it was a definite color of bright green and had a defining shape of a cylinder. It did not resemble a shooting star or a meteor in the way that they both appear to have tails as they shoot through the sky. This did not, it flew through the sky like a perfect and very fast craft. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, Director NUFORC www.nuforc.com

HAWAII TWO ROUND WHITE LIGHTS MOVING

KAPULA BAY, MAUI -- The witnesses were out whale watching on Kapalua Bay on January 9, 2002, when two round lights appeared in the middle of the Bay at 7:50 AM. At first, they thought it was a boat as it started to move across the water, but the two lights moved together very smoothly, and started flying so they thought it was a plane flying very close to the water. As it moved steadily across the Bay the witness ran to get his binoculars. The two lights move from right to left. The witness states, "With the binoculars I still could not see anything but two round lights, there was not any craft or any kind of mass around the lights." If it had been a plane, the object would have had to be coming in our direction. As the objects reached towards the shore on the left of the Bay they rose like a plane, then disappeared. At this point they were going away from our direction and they were still two round lights. If it had been a plane there would not have been two round lights because of the direction they were going. All of this took only two minutes. It was a beautiful clear morning and many tourists go out whale watching. It puzzled me and I could not could not come up with a reasonable explanation for these lights. Thanks to Peter B. Davenport, NUFORC www.nuforc.com

MEXICO UFO SIGHTING

MERIDA, YUCATAN -- On January 22, 2002, at 3:05 PM David Antonio Triay Lucatero reports sighting ah elongated discoidal shaped, silvery-white in color for 20 seconds. I was standing outside, looking at the sky to the north, when I saw a discoidal object emerge from a small cloud at an altitude some 30 degrees over the horizon. It moved from west to east at high speed, making a small curve toward the southwest and then returning to a northwest heading. Its movements appeared to be intelligently guided; when I calculated that it heading lead it toward a cloudless area, I ran into my house to fetch some 16 x 50 binoculars and an Olympus f=50mm camera. This one-minute delay in returning to the place where the sighting occurred meant that the object had already vanished from sight. No trace of it was found after scanning the sky with binoculars, stressing the fact that its heading took it toward a part of the sky that was free of clouds. The sky had scattered clouds at 764 meters (2500 ft), wind was blowing ESE at 29.0 km/h (18 mph) the object left no wake in its path. It could be seen as having a metallic volume (sic). It could be said that the object's size was about 1/4th that of the waxing Moon when seen to the east. Translation (C) 2001. Scott Corrales, Institute of Hispanic Ufology. Special Thanks to Ing. David Triay Lucatero, Grupo CAFE, and Louise A. Lowry SHnSASSY1, http://www.ufoxfiles.com/WorldOfTheStrange/default.asp.

BRAZIL STRANGE LIGHT

CALAMA --There was a one-of-a-kind break in the morning routine of some workers and residents of the El Loa region who saw an enigmatic static and cylindrical light. Reports place the event at around 7:30 hours to the west of Cerro La Cruz. According to eyewitness accounts, the distance did not allow for a detailed view of the light, therefore it could fairly be described as an unidentified flying object or UFO. "The fact is that I don't know what it really was, it could have been a weather balloon or something else, I don't know, but it looked very strange," said a resident who was heading toward Chuquicamata at that time of day. When consulted about this event, the authorities of the Office of Civil Aeronautics of Antofagasta and Calama pointed out that their instruments picked up nothing at the time in question. "Generally people notify us when sightings of this kind take place, but this time we received no reports of anything similar," explained Renzi Jara, manager of the El Loa Airport. Translation (C) 2002. Scott Corrales, Institute of Hispanic Ufology. Special Thanks to Jaime Ferrer, Calama UFO Center

ENGLAND YELLOW EGG SHAPED OBJECT

RICHMOND, NORTH YORKSHIRE-- The witness reports that on January 3, 2002, an unidentified object approached diagonally from the south at 150 mph. It was a 100 feet long yellow egg shaped object about 50 feet tall with a blue light being emitted from beneath. It stopped at 4.00 PM, and hovered ten feet above the field next to the golf course for about 25seconds. As the object hovered above the field we could see at least ten sheep in the field. The object appeared to be hovering above a sheep which didn't seem to be afraid. It wasn't moving much at all. Then the sheep simply disappeared into thin air. This is when the Object left at an incredible rate which was then followed by a sonic boom. It departed at approximately 300 m/s. in a vertical direction. After we had gathered our selves we went straight to the farmer who confirmed that one of his sheep was missing. Please contact us soon as we have been held responsible for the sheep disappearance as the farmer thinks we have played a practical joke on him. Thanks to Fatcash90@hotmail.com.

ITALIAN UFO NEWSFLASH ISSUE NO. 340 - The Italian Center for UFO Studies (Centro Italiano Studi Ufologici, CISU) there were 630 Italian sightings during 2001 As already and duly evidenced, 2001 saw a veritable wave of UFO sightings in Italy, with a doubling in the number of reports with respect to the media over previous years. The wave was centered around the summer months with more than two-thirds of the cases. August was the most popular month during this wave, the other Italian waves tend to occur during the autumn. The monthly lists of cases have already been accessible for some time on the Internet Website of the C.I.S.U., at URL http://www.arpnet.it/ufo/casi0101.htm Thanks to the Italian Center for Ufological Studies

TURKEY FIRST INTERNATIONAL U F O MUSEUM EASTERN EUROPE

ISTANBUL -- "The First International UFO Museum of Middle and Eastern Europe, Balkans and Middle-East" has opened in Istanbul on January 18, 2002. The news of this grand opening has been broadcast in many national TV channels including CNN Turk, NTV, Kanal D, Star, ATV, BRT, TV8..etc and publicised by many leading national newspapers such as Hurriyet, Milliyet, Star, etc...Even the Russian television mentioned the opening in evening news. The museum is located right at the center of the 10 million populated city of Istanbul which connects the two continents of Asia and Europe. The aim of this project is to inform not only the Turkish citizens but also millions of tourists coming to Istanbul from all over the world, about the UFO phenomenon. Our main goal is to serve people coming from every country presenting them the proof of the UFO & E.T phenomenon. The project has been supported by the data and archives of hundreds of associations and institutions worldwide, which are conducting scientific research on this subject.

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NEW NASA SHUTTLE VIDEO OF UFOS IN SPACE

Jeff Challender has prepared a new hour-long tape of UFOs filmed on recent Shuttle video footage in space. Jeff spends hundreds of hours watching the shuttle broadcasts from space and is now an expert on NASA missions and even those onboard the shuttle are unlikely to see what Jeff does. Using Jeff's directions you will be able to learn the difference between space junk, ice crystals and real UFOs. I feel confident we could go into a court of law and convince any jury that there are UFOs moving at high speed around the Earth. Send \$25 to: Jeff Challender 2768 Mendel Way - Sacramento, California 95833-2011

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Regards, George Filer

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>In discussions in Finland the same old stories are heard.
>Sceptics claims, that the work of ufo-researchers lacks of many
>things and because it the work of ufo- researchers is not
>credential. Sceptics claims those lacks are:

>a) Educational. There is very rare academical people among >finnish ufo-researchers. Like Albert brought up, the credential >of these researchers should be possible to check (I=B4m not saying >these folks aren=B4t credential-ones).

Minna, the situation is exactly the same in Brazil, where sceptics also claim that most people involved in UFO research have no academical education background. But the problem is that these same sceptics, who have academical education background, don't engage themselves in UFO research. They rather criticize who does UFO research than take the innitiative of doing so.

On other hand, contrary to what one could expect, we have found in Brazil very good researches and field investigations coming from people who don't have any academical education background. It looks like that passion and dedication to Ufology have turned simple people into good and accurate researchers.

A. J. Gevaerd Brazilian UFO Magazine

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Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB - Boreham

From: Robert Boreham <<u>fatrob83</u>@hotmail.com> Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 15:16:38 +0000 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 04:50:27 -0500 Subject: Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB - Boreham

>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:51:42 -0700
>From: Jean Meiners <<u>legalco</u>@uswest.net>
>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net
>Subject: Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB

>>From: Chris Rutkowski <<u>rutkows</u>@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 11:56:38 CST
>>Subject: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB

>>It gets stranger and stranger.

>>So far in 2002, we have 3 (three) Hollywood movies, either out >>already or soon to be released, which feature Men In Black as >>significant characters.

><snip>

>Maybe they are trying to desensitize the general public to their >appearance and presence?!

You'd have thought the public would already be desensitized by now. The MIB stories have been about for years. Or are we in for another "this is the year" (the aliens make themselves known).

If i had a penny..... ;-)

Rob

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Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Hamilton

From: Bill Hamilton <skywatcher22@space.com>
Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 07:30:10 -0800 (PST)
Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 04:52:38 -0500
Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Hamilton

>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 15:15:45 +0000 >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net> >From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer</u>@magonia.demon.co.uk> >Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology

>>From: Jerome Clark <<u>jkclark@frontiernet.net></u>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology - Clark
>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 12:52:34 -0600

>>>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 21:21:30 +0000
>>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>>From: John Rimmer <<u>jrimmer@magonia.demon.co.uk></u>
>>>Subject: Re: Keel About 'Current' Ufology

>>But how about this for purple prose - can you guess who wrote
>>>it?

>>>"...John A. Keel, a veteran critic of ETH whose work we have >>>long admired... Keel has probably spent more time in the field >>>than any other private researcher. This fact has afforded him >>>the opportunity to view the UFO mystery from the inside, and not >>>from the distorted perspective of most UFO literature, written >>>usually to enhance belief in interplanetary visitors, which >>>blithely ignores the evidence inconsiderate enough not to fit >>>the author's preconceptions."

>>Without checking, I'd say this looks like something I could have >>written, and probably did write, 25 to 35 years ago (otherwise, >>why would you be citing it?). I can go you one better: Loren >>Coleman and I actually dedicated our book Creatures of the Outer >>Edge (written in 1975, published in 1978) to Keel. As I have >>never made a secret (see, most recently, my article in the next >>issue of Fortean Times), I once thought John was a cool guy with >>great ideas. Eventually, of course, as my intellect and >>understanding evolved, I changed my mind.

>>Speaking of which, John, when was the last time _you_ changed
>>your mind about anything ufological in the past 25 to 35 years?
>>As far as I can tell, your psychosocial obsession has been
>>locked in concrete for as long as I can remember.

>I have changed my views quite considerably over the past 25 - 30 >years. At one time I was attracted all sorts of 'occult' ideas >to explain UFOs.

>Unfortunately my change has been in the direction of greater >scepticism. The more I learned about UFOs and the people who >study them, the more I realised that there was no need to invoke >unknown forces to explain UFOs. As even from the beginning I was >never a particular fan of the ETH you probably haven't noticed.

I do not understand how anyone who has studied this phenomena or has witnessed UFO appearance and behavior can come to the conclusion that we do not need to invoke unknown forces to explain UFOs.

First, how does one explain one unknown in terms of another unknown? Through a process of analysis, hypothesis formation,

elimination of hypotheses by contradiction to fact, further collection of data, peer review, conjectures and more hypotheses it seems that for those UFOs that have not been identified, an unknown origin and an unknown guiding intelligence remain as a persisting enigma.

As for the ETH - it is one of a number of competing hypotheses and is still a front runner when it comes to CE-2 and CE-3 type cases in my opinion. The standard rejoinder that the speed of light imposes a limitation on interstellar space travel is not a valid restriction if spacecraft velocities are close to the "c" limit due to time dilation. Certain physicists are now considering theoretical and practical methods to achieve rapid transit to the stars including tunneling through the Cosmic neighborhood. Actually, all that is necessary is that ETS establish bases of operation within the solar system and on earth and make daily trips around the planet to be seen in such numbers.

There are extradimensional hypotheses as well, but not as clearly developed as the ETH. It is possible that multiple origins account for UFO sightings.

-Bill Hamilton Skywatch International

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Re: 'E.T.s' Coordinating Fly-by At Olympics? -

From: Jean Meiners <legalco@uswest.net>
Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 09:00:11 -0700
Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 04:54:48 -0500
Subject: Re: 'E.T.s' Coordinating Fly-by At Olympics? -

From:
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 To: <- UFO UpDates Subscribers 2 - : ;>
 Sent: Wednesday, January 30, 2002 6:23 AM
 Subject: UFO UpDate: 'E.T.s' Coordinating Fly-by At Olympics?

>Source: downtoearth.com

http://downtoearth.ncbuy.com/newscenter/weirdnews.html?qdate02-01-30&nav=VIEW&id=8H19SR1031T020130

>Wireless Flash Weird News - January 30, 2002

>E.T.s Coordinating Spacecraft Fly-by At The Olympics?

>PHOENIX (Wireless Flash) -- Next month's Winter Olympics in Salt >Lake City will be attracting all sorts of tourists -- including >E.T.

>That's according to a Phoenix-based hypnotherapist who claims >she's been in contact with ETs all her life.

>Victoria Liljenquist says her "space brothers" have told her >they plan to fly a cigar-shaped craft over thousands of Olympic >spectators on February 21, sometime between 12 p.m. and 5 p.m., >weather permitting.

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>[UFO UpDates thanks <u>www.anomalist.com</u> for the lead]

This is very interesting. I am here in Salt Lake City and I wasn't looking forward to the crowds of people and hordes of cars for the Olympics. So, I guess I will look to the heavens for my entertainment. Or should I look down?

Jean M.

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Manned V-1's

From: Steven J. Dunn <<u>SDunn@northropgrumman.com></u> Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 08:26:14 -0800 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 04:58:33 -0500 Subject: Manned V-1's

Errol, list:

The Germans never intended to developed 'Kamakazi' V-1's. That kind of thing wasn't in their culture. The manned V-1s were intended to find out why the unmanned ones kept crashing before they were supposed to. Worked, too.

Steven

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V-1 'Buzz Bombs' & Hanna Reistch

From: **GT McCoy** <<u>gtmccoy</u>@harborside.com> Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 11:23:45 -0800 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 05:01:54 -0500 Subject: V-1 'Buzz Bombs' & Hanna Reistch

Hello all,

The story of Hanna Reistch and the V-1 manned Buzz Bomb:

http://www.spaceline.org/history/4.html

if you peruse the whole story you'l find that the V-1 had some severe limitations. It Includes some pithy commets From Ms. Reistch herself.

Hanna Reistch had several firsts under her belt - including the First Indoor helicopter flight with a Focke-Wulf Helicopter. She was a member of the International Test Pilots Society. (I think I got that right) anyway see below.

GT McCoy

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Rudiak

From: David Rudiak <DRudiak@aol.com>
Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 13:16:44 EST
Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 05:09:50 -0500
Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Rudiak

>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 12:43:33 -0800 (PST)
>From: Mac Tonnies <<u>macbot</u>@yahoo.com>
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>

>>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak@aol.com></u>
>>Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 12:48:24 EST
>>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
>>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>Perhaps - if Mogul is indeed the correct interpretation - Ramey >didn't feel it was at all necessary to litter every corner of >his office with balloon debris to get the point across to the >press. The solitary shredded Rawin we see in the photos may have >been a representative sampling.

The problem with this is that the Rawin doesn't represent merely a "representative sampling." In a random sampling of multiple shredded targets, you would expect all sorts of odds and ends from those multiple targets. But that isn't what is present. What you have are virtually all the pieces to assemble exactly one target, and not one shred more.

For example, the ML307 radar target consisted of six(6) core framework sticks 2' long. Surrounding the core were nine (9) diagonal sticks 2'10" long. It is possible to account for all 6 core sticks and 8 of the 9 diagonal sticks.

Furthermore, two of the diagonal sticks are broken. In a random sampling, you would not expect to necessarily find the matching pieces. But you do here. There are four broken pieces, which can be paired up into two sets of mating broken pieces adding up to the length of the expected diagonal sticks.

Here's another interesting detail. The two sticks are broken in almost exactly the same place. I would not give that a lot of probability of happening by chance. Instead, what it looks like is somebody deciding to bust the target up a little more for effect, grabs two sticks side by side, and breaks them both simultaneously over his knee, or snaps them in his hands. Voila -- two pieces broken in the same place.

Then there are the triangular foil/paper pieces making up the target. The targets were made of 4 large triangles and 1 smaller one. The photos show 4 larger triangles and 1 smaller one.

Let's go back to Mack Brazel's Roswell Daily Record interview. He claimed to have gathered _all_ the sticks, foil, and paper making up the radar targets into _one_ bundle. The radar targets from a Mogul should have come down altogether and shredded together. When Brazel gathered these up, there should have been a random mix of target pieces in his bundle.

But the debris in Fort Worth instead shows almost exactly one radar target. To believe that this originally came from multiple targets, one further has to hypothesize that the intelligence officers sorted through this debris and basically reassembled one complete target for display, even bothering to match up the broken pieces and doing a careful count of parts to make sure it all added up right. They were very careful not to have even one extra 2' stick or one extra foil panel.

How likely do you think this scenario is? Why would they bother to reassemble a radar target? These were the same guys who supposedly didn't even know what a radar target was.

Surely your hypothetical representative sampling would have been more than adequate. Nobody could have told the difference, nor would it have mattered.

Your scenario also doesn't account for the seemingly excellent condition of the balloon on display, not a balloon that has lain out for month in the N.M. sun. That would have been in shreds.

Then there are the dogs that didn't bark. Instead of being dirty and stained, the white paper backing on the target is a uniform, bright white. One doesn't expect that from a radar target that has been dragged through the dirt to shred it and then exposed to the elements for a month.

Another mute dog was the tied-on suspension twine missing from the target. How did it untie itself? In fact, nobody mentioned the presence of the hundreds of feet of twine that should have been at a Mogul crash site. Mack Brazel specifically denied finding any.

Brazel also denied finding any payload equipment (as did Marcel, Cavitt, and Ramey). Yet that should have come down with the Rawins and the hypothetical paper parachuites and been at the same crash site.

The paper parachutes were supposed to account for Marcel's description of large quantitities of parchment-like material. But where is it in the Fort Worth photos? Surely, this would be very innocuous stuff and part of Brazel's one bundle of sticks, foil, paper, etc. You would expect at least one or two pieces from those parachutes along with the Rawin material in that representative sampling. But it is nowhere to be seen.

>I'm not suggesting that a single Rawin was what crashed at the >Foster ranch. But if the debris was terrestrial and extensive, >as indicated by Marcel, why bother lugging the entirety of it to >Carswell? A "sample" would do nicely for PR purposes.

The point is, the debris is not the sort of sample you would expect from the crash and shredding of multiple objects (Rawins, parachutes) all mixed together in Mack Brazel's bundle. It is not a random sample. It is instead a singular, maybe complete, broken up radar target, and not one item more.

If this was from a Mogul crash, it is nearly impossible to account for without magical thinking. On the other hand, if it was a fresh radar target brought in from somewhere and busted up for a photo op, then all the properties of the debris on display are _easily_ accounted for. Occam's razor would definitely favor the latter theory.

David Rudiak

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Stacy

From: Dennis Stacy <<u>dstacy@texas.net></u> Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 12:34:25 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 05:11:23 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Stacy

>From: Robert Gates <<u>RGates8254@aol.com></u>
>Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 01:24:01 EST
>Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

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>Dennis,

>I still haven't figured out why you keep beating this particular >dead horse, i.e. why people who have nothing to say are somehow >important or meaningful in the picture of things. Using this >logic trail, if one was investigating a car accident we should >also talk to the people who didn't see anything, and or lived 20 >miles away because somehow, some way what they have to say has >meaning and is important.

>More to the point, using this logic trail, when an airplane >crashes the investigators should include the testimony of people >who don't know anything, didn't see anything, and can't >contribute anything meaningful to the investigation...I doubt >it.

>Are these kind of people a legit part of the story? I seriously >doubt it.

Robert,

First off, let me thank you for carrying on a civil discourse.

This issue goes back to which "Roswell" we're talking about. Let's assume, for argument's sake, that it's one of the big ones in which a sizeable number of personnel were involved in the recovery and clean up effort, the civilian fire department was brought in, there were at least two crash sites, and bodies were autopsied on base.

It's a tenet of mainstream journalism and investigative reporting that you get both sides of the story, or three or four, if there are that many. When I wrote regularly for Omni magazine, I knew not to submit a story that didn't have at least two points of view. Because if I did, I knew it was coming back for revision.

Sometimes the other side of a particular story is a straightforward "I was there at the time and place in question and in a position to be notified, and I can tell you that I was never notified. Because I was never notified of such an event, it's my personal opinion that it never happened, at least not as described, nor on the scale described."

That information, whether one agrees with it or not, should be a part of the public record, the better to enable the reader (and general public) to assess the claims and evidence being forward by the writer or investigator.

When you're not told of those sources and leads that don't pan out -- or that actually dispute the original story line entirely -- then you're not being told the entire story. At the very least, your perspective has been skewed.

Now, go back and read all the books that have been written about Roswell and tell me how many times you come across qualifiers like "the witness was unable to remember any incident at the time like so-and-so claimed."

You won't find many, I assure you.

I know for a fact that Kent Lorenzo's testimony is virtually non-existent in the pro-Roswell literature. When asked why, the response is usually something along the lines of "well, he couldn't or didn't advance the story." Or "he wasn't in a position to know," etc.

The problem is not advancing the story, but uncovering what the story really is. Roswell has already been so advanced that no one can make sense of what was supposed to have happened there -- how many objects, how many bodies, how many direct witnesses, and so on.

What the Roswell story needs is de-advancing, not more advancing.

My question, to which you were referring above, is how many more Kent Lorenzos are out there? Who else who's been talked to has failed to "advance" the story because they maintained that they weren't aware of alleged events? Right now, we don't know.

If Lorenzo's testimony had been more widely known, it might have at least tempered Glenn Dennis's autopsy claims. Instead, the latter, because it "advanced" the story, was given considerable prominence until finally shown to be highly unreliable.

Cheers,

Dennis Stacy

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From: Larry Hatch <larry@larryhatch.net>
Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 03:08:15 -0800
Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 05:13:36 -0500
Subject: Re: 'E.T.s' Coordinating Fly-by At Olympics? -

>Source: downtoearth.com

>http://downtoearth.ncbuy.com/newscenter/weirdnews.html?qdate02-01-30&nav=VIEW&id=8H19SR1031T020130

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I wonder if she works with abductees.

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Weather permitting?

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I hope everyone brings their cameras.

- Larry Hatch

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>>>How do you know it would have been very badly deteriorated? If
>>>Brazel had found the stuff the week before, as indicated, might
>>>he not have stored it in a shed, out of sunlight, as the
>>>original press release indicated? Or maybe he wrapped it in
>>>something?

>>If he had found it the week before, then it already would have
>>been out in the sun for over 3 weeks. Charles Moore of Mogul has
>>demonstrated on a number of occasions how the neoprene balloons
>>deteriorated to a brittle "paper-ash" conditions within 2 to 3
>>weeks.

>This is from a previous UFO UpDates post at:

>http://www.virtuallystrange.net/ufo/updates/1997/jun/m13-009.shtml

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>From: legion@werple.net.au [John Stepkowski]
>Date: Fri, 13 Jun 1997 09:09:43 +1000 (EST)
>Fwd Date: Fri, 13 Jun 1997 12:40:53 -0400
>Subject: Re: Reply to Dennis Stacy

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>Prof. Moore was asked to sign a statement affirming that the >balloons degraded in a matter of _days_. Moore contacted Robert >Todd (_Cowflop Quarterly_, Vol 1. No. 1), and informed him that >the Air Force had got it wrong. It took _months_ for the >_material_ to deteriorate into a charred paper and ash-like >state.

Ah yes - Mr. Todd... that paragon of literary balance and easy evenhandedness...

>Regards,

>Bruce Hutchinson

Ok - all that sounds as grounded as the fuzzy blue dickens, and the very soul of faultless rationality... until it gets to the first person with eyes to see and ears to hear...

In 1984 at the Army Aviation Center I led a class of senior

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warrant officers involved in the capstone of our military training, known, at the time, as the Warrant Officer Senior Course. The course was branch immaterial and the locus of all manner of warrant officer, from cooks to computer geeks and aviators to supply managers, through physicians assistants and motor supervisors to personnel specialists and boat captains...

The Army had us all there, together, to do a little efficacious cross pollinating, and a good time was had by all - but I digress. There was one other warrant officer represented from a dying MOS (military occupational specialty) - a meteorologist... a weather warrant. He was one of the last ones... The weather was the province of the Air force, and the Army specialty in meteorology was being phased out...

Each of us had to put on a little dog and pony show for the other specialties as a function of the course with the intent of educating the other specialties on the evolution or history of -all- the specialties. That's what warrants are, or were at any rate... specialists, experts in their field. I made my presentation on the historical threat of totalitarianism and its corresponding threat reaction of monstrous aeronautical strides since 1940... the meteorologist made his on the history of Army weather observation and balloons.

As he talked about the bone dry history of his specialty, he enlivened the presentation considerably by propitiously blowing up a huge weather balloon with a leg-sized canister of helium. He had that helium really shrieking into that seemingly tortured balloon, fluttering its sides and making it scream a banshee's wail! Many of us on the front row of the amphitheater classroom drew back, sure that the balloon was going to explode. Soon it would have filled a small bedroom. As the balloon expanded, periodically screaming with the pressured helium, the weather warrant gave us a small class on the type of balloon used, its uses, ceilings and etc... This type of balloon, made from neoprene (I'm sure he said), had been in use since the forties...

The balloon did not burst, in fact the presentation finished up with him letting the biggest helium balloon I'd ever seen indoors just bounce around the classroom blowing cool helium on us as he came to a close. Finally, it just lay, spent, on the floor. Thinking my son would get a kick out of it I asked the guy if I could have it and he said yes.

...But he said that it wouldn't be good for very long. He said they were "built to quickly disintegrate", and that "they didn't have a very long life...". Hmmm.

I took it back to my BOQ room and put it in my sock drawer, essentially forgetting about it. Four weeks later I flew back to Germany from Fort Rucker and gave my son his little surprise... some ragged and uneven sheets of crumbling rubber rapidly turning to powder and issuing a noxious smell. It had broken along the seams where I had folded it and had turned, effortlessly, into a double handful of odiferous crap...

Now - I can appreciate the lauded masters of those piled higher and deeper pronouncing on the longevity and survivability of this balloon or that, but I had one turn to garbage in my owns hands that was out of the sun and in a cool dry place. there you have it.

You can understand, Mr. H... I'm conflicted. But that's the hapless lot in life of one with eyes to see and ears to hear...

Lehmberg@snowhill.com
~~=D6~~

EXPLORE "Alfred Lehmberg's Alien View" at his VSN URL. http://www.alienview.net

JOHN FORD RESTORATION FUND - John will be released eventually. He'll need a tax free cash stake to get on his feet. Let's put one together for him; the bigger it is - the more attention he gets. It could have been you. E-mail for detail. \$350.00 pledged - \$200.00 collected!

"I cleave the heavens, and soar to the infinite. What others see from afar, I leave far behind me." - Giordano Bruno, scourged by

the specious and scabrous scurrilous.

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Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

From: Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo <ufomiami@prodigy.net>
Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 18:28:59 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 05:19:06 -0500
Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 13:27:37 -0800 >From: Larry Hatch <<u>larry@</u>larryhatch.net> >To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net> >Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman

>Hello Virgilio:

>Spy satellites routinely fly South to North and then North to >South again after they pass near one pole or the other.

>Such orbits, with small adjustments, will eventually cover every >part of the Earth. Your standard tel-sats are generally on >equatorial orbits, and cover polar regions very poorly, or not >at all.

>Lower orbits decay as they graze the upper reaches of the >atmosphere like spy sats often do. Launch motors (rockets) >almost always do, at least the first stages. These motors will >generally follow the same North South trajectories as their >payloads (spy sats), but at a lower altitude.

>Once in a decay-mode, a satellite and/or launch rockets will
>sometimes put on a magnificent display, depending upon time of
>day etc. I saw a beauty once. It turned every color of the
>rainbow in sequence. As it gracefully tumbled during burnout, it
>apparently exposed one surface and then another to the plasma of
>the ionosphere. A skeptical friend called me to point this out.
>It took a good 20 minutes to cross the sky, from South to North
>almost exactly.

>I did not take the bait. I called back and indicated that I saw >a really neat space-junk burnout, but no UFOs.

Dear Larry,

I'm sorry but I just don't believe we're talking about satellites here. Two Chilean law enforcement agents saw the object change course before it disappeared, so it obviously wasn't a satellite falling from the sky; even though I'm fully aware that satellites tend to give the impression that they travel horizontally when they descend through the atmosphere, as well as the emission of colorful lights.

I could be wrong, and I'm no aeronautical expert, but I still find it hard to believe that satellites travel from north to south and vice versa. And finally, these ufo sightings occur at least five or six times a month down there. I just have a hard time believing that five or six satellites fall right out of the sky every month in Chile alone. Sorry if we disagree... I still think it's a UFO.

Regards,

Virgilio Sanchez-Ocejo

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Kelly Cahill On Banana TV's 'UFO'

From: Bill Chalker <bill c@bigpond.com> Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 11:13:24 +1100 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 05:22:27 -0500 Subject: Kelly Cahill On Banana TV's 'UFO'

Hi list,

The UFO show I am co-hosting with Doug Moffett now has 4 episodes up:

INTRODUCTION - in which "the terrible two" hosts, if you will, interview each other re their backgrounds.

ABDUCTION - which includes some coverage of the October, 2001 Gundiah - Mackay 'abduction/teleportation/solid light' story that I investigated with Diane Harrison of the Australian UFO Research Network (AUFORN).

KELLY CAHILL - Parts 1 & 2 - a 2 part interview in which she describes her striking 1993 abduction and also gets into the impact of the experience.

Go to: <u>www.bananatv.com</u>

A TV will appear on your computer screen with at least 8 programme channel icons covering ininitially the following categories: Health, Life and Style; School; People and passions; Music and entertainment; Vehicles; Techno; Arts; Surviving Survivor. The UFO programme can be found in the "People and passions" section. The programmes are intended for broadband internet but 56kbps will allow a reduced, but watchable view. The full screen impact is seen with a broadband connection. For 56kbps press low bandwidth and then select "UFO" in the "People and Passions" section. As with the other shows "UFO" will eventually have multiple episodes which can be accessed at anytime via the Banana TV site. Each programme lasts for about 7 to 8 minutes, with a brief "ad" break in the first minute.

If for some reason the site appears with another programme defaulting, click on "home" on the right hand side of the "TV set". That should reset the channels and allow you to revisit the "People and Passions" section and get to "UFO".

Please support the show, as it will enable a lot more programmes of this type to be carried. Further episodes will be added over coming weeks.

I'm sure you will find the shows of interest.

Regards,

Bill Chalker Co-host 'UFO' Banana TV www.bananatv.com

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Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols -

From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com> Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 20:40:53 EST Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 05:25:07 -0500 Subject: Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols -

>From: Minna Hyv=F6nen <<u>minna.hyvonen@kolumbus.fi></u>
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>Subject: Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols - Hyvonen
>Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 09:03:39 +0200

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>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols
>>Date: Sun, 27 Jan 2002 03:23:28 -0600

>>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>>>Date: Sat, 26 Jan 2002 13:47:01 EST
>>>Subject: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols
>>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net

><snip>

>>An interested lurker asked me to pass this along, Jimbo... seems >>like good stuff to me.

Hello Minna, and Thank you Al,

>>The first order of business would be to make the proposed study
>>as "bullet-proof" as possible on the front end. (Before it
>>begins)

Which is one of the reasons I asked the researchers on this List for their input to begin with. You are quite correct.

>Alfred posted a good "memory-list" about things that should be >done. Also, I=B4ll write basing my opinions to a lay-man's >experience in a small country and to the discussion between UFO >researhers and sceptics here.

>In discussions in Finland the same old stories are heard.
>Sceptics claims, that the work of ufo-researchers lacks of many
>things and because it the work of ufo- researchers is not
>credential. Sceptics claims those lacks are:

>a) Educational. There is very rare academical people among
>finnish ufo-researchers. Like Albert brought up, the credential
>of these researchers should be possible to check (I=B4m not saying
>these folks aren=B4t credential-ones).

I am not certain that we are on the same frequency. The people doing the study are medical personnel of every conceivable specialty as well as internists. These are not researchers. These doctors are not researchers and as a consequence, asked me to provide input to them vis a vis the protocols which you referenced. Here again, you are correct. With the exception that we are speaking of doctors.

There is one serious correction which I must make to the original anouncement. I stated that the primary focus of this study was to make the association between the abduction experience and PTSD. This is my hope. The physicians will make their own set of priorities relative to making associations, looking for common illnesses such as physical, emotional and psychological.

We look to the research community to make further suggestions. Thus far, except for one call I made to one of our listers, there have been none. From researchers. From other sources, there has been wonderful cooperation.

>b)The lack of "the plan of research" (=3D freely translated).

>Sceptics has told to the ufo-researchers in Finland, that there
>should be a plan about the survey of people=B4s observations
>and/or experiences they are gonna start. Without it the research
>is not "(enough) scientific".

Define "abductee" is one suggestion. However using regressive hypnosis is not commonly agreeable to the doctors, nor to me coincidentally.

>This plan should contain alot more than only an announcement >about the research just started. I guess you all know better >than me what this document is called in english, but to specify >what I=B4m trying to describe here is a list about some things it >should contain:

>1) the reserach-problem

>2) the issue of the research

>3) plans how to fulfill this research (methods to research)

>4) plans how to select the persons and researchers

>5) list of researchers involving the project

>6) how their credibility is varified

>7) earlier publishments of the same study, if there
> is any

There are none by the medical community as a group of related physicians. As for researchers in the UFO community, again, we look for, asked for and expect help in all of the above. Minna, you are right on the money.

>8) plans how long time is estimated to be needed to the research

>9) evaluation of coming expenses, how much they are gonna be > expenses in *each step* of the research, how the expenses are > planned to find and how they are planned to use

Your numbers '8' and '9' are not exactly relevant, as the time is being donated, if you will, by the medical group and several associated specialists. For example, the dermatologist is a member of another group but associated with my internist. They are friends.

>10) plans how to publish the results

Not in my book except in general terms. These folks plan to extract a paper out of this. It's a little like this. One cannot fault say, John Mack, for doing the research, except for his methodology. Because of his reputation and position, it was a feast (in the beginning) for his involvement. This group is among the very best in our state, if not other states as well. Their reputation precludes ridicule, if you get my drift.

>11) plans how to handle the results

>This document is needed when the research is ment to be as >scientific as possible. This document is also an advertisment to >those who may get intrested to give some funding to this >research (like Mr. Bigelow and Mr. Rockefeller has done).

While true, this is up to the group, as they are funding the program entirely on their own.

>Minna H

I've read some of your posts on another venue, when I was a

Re: Assistance, Suggestions & Protocols -

member and thank you for your suggestions. I hope I have understood your questions and suggestions. If not, please feel free to write me by using the special email address set up for this matter. It is:

StudyProjectA@ AOL.COM

Thankyou again and nice hearing you again \ldots in a manner of speaking.

Jim

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Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

From: James Oberg <joberg@houston.rr.com>
Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 08:37:28 -0600
Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 17:47:48 -0500
Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

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>Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 18:28:59 -0500

>I could be wrong, and I'm no aeronautical expert, but I still >find it hard to believe that satellites travel from north to >south and vice versa.

Uh, this is about the easiest thing to verify. What is there about it, that you seem so unwilling to accept?

If you have so many eyewitness reports, why don't you have the simple datum about time-of-day of the incident?

Jim Oberg

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Re: Manned V-1's - McCoy

From: **GT McCoy** <<u>gtmccoy@harborside.com</u>> Date: Mon, 28 Jan 2002 08:02:54 -0800 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 17:53:44 -0500 Subject: Re: Manned V-1's - McCoy

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>Subject: Manned V-1's
>Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 08:26:14 -0800

>Errol, list:

>The Germans never intended to developed 'Kamakazi' V-1's. That >kind of thing wasn't in their culture. The manned V-1s were >intended to find out why the unmanned ones kept crashing before >they were supposed to. Worked, too.

>Steven

Hello, all, Steven

Well, the concept of the manned V-1 was to break up Bomber Streams then the stragglers picked off after the formation fell apart. Yes theoretically the German Culture didn't allow for suicide missions, but Nazi culture did.

My late father-in-law had a story of SS tank crews fighting to the last man. This was at the Battle of the Bulge. They were as dangerous as any of the Al Queda are today. There weren't many prisoners.

There were special volunteer 'Rammkommando' squadrons that the Luftwaffe had that used an inexperienced pilot who flew a rocket and cannon armed fighter into the middle of a Bomber formation to, as above, break up the formation. but due to fact that there were swarms of P-51s by that time, it was not a success, few got close enough to do any damage, as the coupe de grace was to fly your FW-190 into the side of a B-17 (you were, however allowed to bail out at the last second.)

GT McCoy

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The Nashville & Waterbury 'UFO' Photographs

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Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 17:56:53 -0500
Subject: The Nashville & Waterbury 'UFO' Photographs

Some recent discussions on the 'UFO Research List' [UFORL] have highlighted the evident true identity of the object responsible for those purported 'Nashville' UFO photographs.

There are copies of the photographs and a background story online, at:

http://www.rense.com/submissions/3ufosday.html

and

http://www.filersfiles.com/features/bethune.htm

Incidentally, this is not the same story of their alleged origins as published by UFO Magazine (UK), in their front-cover feature. However, that's very much an aside.

Of more importance is a 1980s magazine article containing photographs of a 'disco' lighting-rig, which also produced smoke effects - see:

http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/nashvlle.jpg

A comparison between this and the 'Nashville UFO' can be seen on my web site, at:

http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/nashcomp.jpg

There's another, more revealing, photograph from that magazine article which I haven't yet uploaded.

An unexpected off-shoot from setting the 'Nashville UFO encounter' in its true 'flying saucer' context, was that another, equally celebrated photograph - the Waterbury 'UFO' - might also owe its origins to the same source.

[According to the 'UFO Magazine' article, there were allegedly numerous other photographs, never published, from our 'Nashville' portfolio].

The background to an apparent connection with the Waterbury image has been explained on UFORL and this was a recent update:

Some time ago, I wrote...:

Explaining the true origins of the 'Waterbury' photograph would not only be an unexpected bonus, it's a more significant development than resolving the 'Nashville' collection.

This time, the claimed photographer apparently isn't anonymous, plus the photograph was analysed. I wonder if the negative was examined.

Mark Cashman's 'MUFON Connecticut' web site states:

Randy Etting, a resident of Newtown, was taking a walk outside his home. A commercial airline pilot with over 30 years

experience, he always looked at the sky... he saw a number of orange and red lights... approaching from the west... He... got his binoculars and called his neighbors to come outside. The object by this time was a great deal closer and seemed to be over I-84, just east of Etting's home... the lights were shimmering like distortion from engine heat, but he could hear no sound... "As the UFO passed over I-84, cars in both the east and west bound lanes began pulling over and stopping. The UFO displayed a semi-circular pattern of very bright multicolored lights. Five motorists reported that, as the object became visible, a number of cars lost power and had to pull off the highway. A State Police officer [who wishes to remain anonymous] sent to investigate photographed the object. "... Dr. Bruce Maccabee... [analysed the photo]. His findings indicate the object was huge, perhaps over a thousand feet across, and that the lights showed a definite pattern. He also indicated the lights seemed to have been flashing very quickly in some sort of sequence, giving the impression that some were out of focus while others were sharp."

See:

http://www.geocities.com/Area51/Zone/9047/picindex.htm

[...]

An irony is that the lights depicted in this photograph are entirely consistent with a saucer-shaped object, not a 'boomerang.

I suppose someone must have thought it could pass for the latter, and they were obviously correct, although I've always considered the photograph had no obvious connection with a boomerang-shaped source.

As we can now appreciate, our Waterbury flying saucer is either travelling upside down, or was photographed from above!

An illustration of this can be seen at:

http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/upended.jpg

If the Waterbury photograph is connected to those Nashville pictures, then the image is 'upside down', intentionally or otherwise.

It does actually look much more 'convincing' the right way up! See:

http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/watrbry2.jpg

A comparison of light placement correlations between the Waterbury 'UFO' and that 'Nashville' lighting rig can also now be seen on my web site, at:

http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/saucers2.jpg

A further comparison of some notable features is shown at:

http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/saucers3.jpg

Note that the Waterbury image has to be both rotated and 'mirrored' to make this comparison. [END OF EXTRACT]

It now turns out that Waterbury photograph on MUFON Connecticut's web site is indeed apparently upside down!

At least according to 'UFO Encounters', by Jerome Clark and Marcelo Truzzi - see:

http://www.ufoworld.co.uk/ftp/watrbury.jpg

They claim the photograph was taken on May 26, 1988, whilst MUFON Connecticut date it from May 26, 1987.

Does anyone know more about the background to this purported photograph of an "enormous, slow-moving structure", especially

when it was supposedly taken and also first published? [END OF UFORL EXTRACT]

It's not the intent to fragment related discussions, nor does available time allow that, and I'll leave them on UFORL.

I would however point out some of the further correlations noted - see:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UFORL/message/444

The above is simply for information and to clarify why I would be interested to know if any UpDates subscribers can straightforwardly answer the questions - is the MUFON image upside down as originally surmised [any reason why the image isn't also reversed?] and where/when/how did the Waterbury photograph first become claimed evidence of a 'UFO' sighting?

How did Bruce Maccabee conclude the lights were from an object, "perhaps over a thousand feet across"?

Please reply directly if that's preferable.

James Easton. E-mail: <u>voyager</u>@ufoworld.co.uk <u>www.ufoworld.co.uk</u>

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Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB - Meiners

From: Jean Meiners <<u>legalco</u>@uswest.net> Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 11:11:50 -0700 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 18:01:04 -0500 Subject: Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB - Meiners

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>Subject: Re: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB
>Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 15:16:38 +0000

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>>>From: Chris Rutkowski <<u>rutkows</u>@Ms.UManitoba.CA>
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>>Date: Tue, 29 Jan 2002 11:56:38 CST
>>>Subject: 2002 - The Year Of The MIB

>>>It gets stranger and stranger.

>>>So far in 2002, we have 3 (three) Hollywood movies, either out >>>already or soon to be released, which feature Men In Black as >>>significant characters.

>><snip>

>>Maybe they are trying to desensitize the general public to their >>appearance and presence?!

>You'd have thought the public would already be desensitized by >now. The MIB stories have been about for years. >Or are we in for another "this is the year" (the aliens make >themselves known).

>If i had a penny..... ;-)

I agree with Rob: "If I had a penny. . . "

There have been several TV programs enhancing the presence of MIBs. But, in these shows they are always portrayed as being members of some 'elite governmental agency'. I believe this with all my heart... just don't know how to prove it.

I know from my own experience in the 50's that it wasn't the MIB that caused a stir but the Air Force itself. With a wide-spread sighting the Los Angeles Examiner picked up the story.

We lived on the campus of USC at the time and, not only I, but several business people and students at that time witnessed Air Force personnel in a pick up, wielding lock snips, go around, force the newspaper dispensers open and take the papers out. And, they weren't too far behind the guy that was actually distributing them at that time.

Nothing was said, not a newscaster said anything anywhere. But, for quite awhile it was the topic of conversation there.

Maybe these MIBs are actually attached to the Air Force?

Just a thought.

Jean M.

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Re: Manned V-1's - Oberg

From: James Oberg <<u>ioberg</u>@houston.rr.com> Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 14:23:44 -0600 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 18:05:11 -0500 Subject: Re: Manned V-1's - Oberg

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>The Germans never intended to developed 'Kamakazi' V-1's. That >kind of thing wasn't in their culture. The manned V-1s were >intended to find out why the unmanned ones kept crashing before >they were supposed to. Worked, too.

Gordon Cooper tells an interesting tale in 'Leap of Faith', pp. 153-154, recounting what he says he heard from Joaquin 'Jack' Keutner, whom he worked with on the Mercury-Redstone rocket.

In an attempt to improve accuracy over the target, some V-1s were modified with a cockpit to allow for a pilot, Jack had flown several trips across the English channel atop a V-1 strapped under a twin-engine Junkers bomber. After being dropped free, he would air-start the "Flying Bomb". When they got within range of London, he would release the bomb, then turn toward the French coast and ride the rocket home. Before landing, Jack would dump any remaining fuel and glide the V-1, modified with landing skids, to a belly landing in a field.

One time, things didn't go as planned. For this flight, they had a two-man cockpit in a V-1, and Jack was checking out a less experienced pilot. When they were dropped by the Junkers, they couldn't get an air start and had to turn back toward France. Jack released the warhead but was unable to dump fuel, so they came in heavy, loaded with combustable fuel and at a high rate of speed: in excess of 270 miles per hour. They hit the field, slid its entire length, and went into a pine forest, leaving a trail of burning debris behind them. The rocket disintegrated. Somehow Jack got out, but the other fellow didn't.

At war's end, a manned V-2 was sitting on the pad at Peenemunde, all tested out, fueled up, and ready to go. It would have been launched on a low-energy easterly orbit, Jack explained. The plan: to drop a warhead on New York City. That 1945 manned rocket flight - sixteen years before the first U.S. manned rocket flight - came within a week or two of being launched."

I guess the kindest thing to say about this silliness is that Cooper must have been a sucker for wild and wooly 'war stories', and it's sad he didn't know enough history and enough aeronautical engineering to realize how impossible all these tales were. That's assuming he actually did get these stories from the German guy.

Jim Oberg

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Re: Mogul Shredded - Hutchinson

From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch@grassyhill.com</u>> Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 15:21:14 -700 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 18:11:47 -0500 Subject: Re: Mogul Shredded - Hutchinson

>From: David Rudiak <<u>DRudiak</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 23:02:08 EST
>Subject: Mogul Shredded [was: Roswell Threads]
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>>From: Bruce Hutchinson <<u>bhutch</u>@grassyhill.com>
>>To: UFO UpDates - Toronto <<u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Date: Thu, 24 Jan 2002 10:59:35 -700
>>Subject: Re: Roswell Threads

David, List, and readers:

The flowing contains numerous snips, largely to try and contain this reply to less than 30 pages. The reader should refer to the referenced post for David=92s more elaborate contentions.

bh

>Throughout this, notice that Bruce Hutchinson does not explain >how exactly only one radar target and one balloon ended up in >the Fort Worth photos.

That is, according to your analysis there is =93exactly one=94.

<snip>

>This assumed configuration is >also based strictly on the 40+ year old memories and assumptions >of one man, Charles Moore of Mogul, and we will see more clearly >later how much Moore's assumptions, not facts, have driven the >Mogul hypothesis.

There is one person who is an acknowledged expert in this field, and it ain=92t you. Charles Moore=92s "assumptions" are backed up his expertise in this field, his presence at Alamogordo during this time frame, and some documented references that have survived.

Most of Roswell is based on old memories. If we outlaw all old memories, we are left with only the newspaper clippings and the photos, which certainly don't indicate a crashed alien spaceship. Isn't it interesting that Rudiak doesn't like certain memories but loves others? Yet Moore's would seem to fit with what we do know about the NYU/Mogul Flights.

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>Flight #5, however, shows no paper parachutes, only 1 silk one, >and _no_ radar targets. It is Flight #2 that shows 3 targets and >4 of the paper 'chutes. Since the Mogul hypothesis requires both >items to properly debunk Marcel's description of debris, it >would seem Flight #2 would be the best model configuration, not >Flight #5, sans targets and chutes.

Correct. Professor Moore stated that he devised a method of determining height without using the pre-prototype radar targets since radar targets hadn't worked well at all.

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>Note that all
>of this is a reconstruction, since Moore actually has no direct
>memory of Flight 4, relying almost entirely on a brief entry in
>a diary by one of the main Mogul people.

The 'memories' of Jim Ragsdale, Glenn Dennis, Frank Kaufmann, Maj. Marcel, and many others have all been shown to be suspect. At least Moore=92s is based on records, however skimpy.

>A 7 to 10 hour flight time is another of those unsupported, >undocumented assumptions by Charles Moore needed to get his >little lost Mogul up as far as Brazel's place, also making all >sorts of assumptions about wind speeds and direction, balloon >rise rates, altitudes, launch time, and other "fudge" factors >required by Moore to create the necessary trajectory. Jiggle >these assumptions even a little bit and Flight #4 could just as >well have dropped on Col. Blanchard's head at Roswell, as Flight >#5 nearly did the next day.

The Foster Ranch is only about 85 miles northeast of the Alamogordo launch site. A later 12 hour flight landed up in Kansas and a 24 hour flight landed in Canada. And Moore used weather service records, not assumptions about wind speed and direction.

Moore's analysis indicated that after Flight 4 lifted off from Alamogordo, it probably ascended while traveling northeast (toward Arabela), then turned toward the northwest during its passage through the stratosphere, and then descended back to earth in a generally northeast direction. Moore's calculated balloon path is quite consistent with a landing at the Foster ranch, approximately 85 miles northeast of the Alamogordo launch site and 60 miles northwest of Roswell. Furthermore, the debris was strewn along the ground at a southwest-to-northeast angle (as reported by Major Jesse Marcel); this angle is entirely consistent with Moore's analysis.

As a check point, Moore used weather service data to calculate the probable paths of flights 5 and 6, for which there are records. His analysis agreed quite well with the actual data.

Finally, we have Haut's memory to assist Moore. In a 7/90 videotaped interview with Haut conducted by Fred Whiting for the Fund for UFO Reseach, Whiting asked Haut if he could remember Blanchard ever mentioning the "flying saucer" matter after the official weather balloon line was established. Haut replied that he did, at a staff meeting a week or two later. He recalled Blanchard opening the meeting with a comment something like this: "Well, we sure shot ourselves in the foot with that balloon fiasco. It was just something from a project at Alamogordo, and some of the guys were here on our base later, too. Anyway, it's done and over with."

This was taped several years before the Project MOGUL explanation was found by Todd and Pflock and adopted by the AF. So we have Haut saying before this was known that it was a project from over at Alamogordo!

>Now launching a Mogul at 2:00 in the morning instead of 5:00
>(Moore's previous "memory" or assumption) doesn't make a lot of
>sense,

What about: "June 4 Wed. Out to Tularosa Range and fired charges between 00 and 06 this am=94. Why fire charges when you don=92t intended to use them?

"I have a distinct memory that James Richard Smith, better known as J.R., watched the 4 June balloon train through a theodolite on a clear sunny morning and that Captain Larry Dyvad, our contact with the Watson Lab SCR-584, reported that the radar had lost the targets while J.R. had them in view. It is also my recollection that the balloon train was tracked to about 76 miles (120 km) northeast of Alamogordo by the B-17 crew. As I remember this flight, the B-1 7 crew terminated their chase while the balloons were still airborne (and while J.R. was still watching them through the theodolite) in the vicinity of Capitan Peak, Arabela, and Bluewater, New Mexico. I, as an easterner, had never heard of those exotically named places, but their names have forever afterward been struck in my memory. This flight provided the only connection that I have ever had with those places. From the note in Crary's diary, the chase was terminated because of the poor reception of the telemetered acoustic information by the receiver aboard the plane."

>From =93UFO Crash at Roswell: The Genesis of a Modern Myth=94. Benson Saler, Charles A. Ziegler, and Charles B. Moore. Smithsonian Institution Press. Washington and London. 1997.

>especially this very first N.M. flight, since visual >tracking of the balloons through theodolites was an important >component of tracking during the first few hours of flight, and >you can't track visually in the middle of the night. So another >of Moore's assumptions is that they didn't need visual tracking >because they had a radiosonde and radar reflectors for tracking >as well, even those these remained untested in the new setting >of N.M.

"Given that the plan was to use the Watson Lab radar to track our instrumented flights, I think that this flight was a test of the radar tracking and it was not successful."

Why was this the plan?

"To minimize the amount of equipment to be transported to New Mexico by plane, Peoples decided to obtain the height measurements needed for the acoustic measurements by tracking the balloons with the Watson Laboratories SCR-584 radar operating in the North Area of the Alamogordo Army Air Field. This radar had been installed to track the German V-2 rockets being launched from White Sands Proving Ground, just across the Tularosa Valley from the Army Air Field."

And the preferred method wasn't optical, it was to "record the pressure signals from balloon-borne radiosondes for our preferred height-determination method

And it wasn't just Moore's memory: "Several of the NYU Balloon Group members still remember these colored markings on the targets we used in Alamogordo in 1947. The significance of the markings puzzled us each time that we prepared a target for flight." This seems to indicate that several of the people still remember that these unique radar targets were used. Not just Moore.

>See how easy it is to make Flight 4 work if you just assume >whatever you need to make it work?

Or, you can observe thusly: See how easy it is to make any assumption you want and make Flight #4 NOT work?

>I have gone into great and gory detail on this because Roswell >debunkers like Bruce just uncritically repeat the debunking >party line without thinking or caring about all the hidden >assumptions behind all this.

And the debunkers of the Skeptic's 'party line' always seem to ignore the fact that they use assumptions to debunk what they deride as 'assumptions'. Go figure.

>They instead repeat Charley Moore's
>version of events, instead of acknowledging Moore keeps changing
>his "memories" of what happened=85

After hearing Bill Moore's description of the wreckage (including details of supposed 10-inch furrows running some 500ft), Charlie Moore responded by saying: "Based on the description you gave me, I think that could not have been our balloon." Balloon trains like Flight 4 were far too light to make large furrows in the ground.

The issue is not that Charles Moore said the wreckage couldn't have been a balloon - it's that he said his flights couldn't have plowed the alleged 'furrows'.

Moore and other Mogul participants originally thought the debris Brazel found must have been from one of NYU's polyethylene balloon flights from early July 1947. He held this opinion until just few years ago. These large, transparent polyethylene balloons were used for the first time ever in the summer of 1947 (after the June launches) and would have looked strange even to experienced balloon watchers. However, after seeing the reports and photographs from 1947 for the first time, Charles Moore realized that Flight 4 was a much better candidate for the Foster ranch debris than a polyethylene balloon. So most of his changes of opinion on the incident are because better data became available.

>Again, how could Bruce Hutchison possibly know that "most" of >the balloons were still intact? Yet another assumption >apparently based on psychic abilities.

Moore has stated that this is how these balloons failed.

>>The train sagged to the ground until sufficient weight was >>relieved from the system for the remaining balloons to stay >>aloft. Wind dragged the train over the ground, mangling the >>Rawins, until it became entangled in rocks and brush.

>Now here's a _real_ important point and one the debunkers keep >sweeping under the rug. Notice those _multiple_ Rawins being >dragged along the ground and "mangled." There should be pieces >rom all those targets on the ground - right?

Possible - depending on how many Rawins were in contact when the train reached equilibrium.

>Fast forward to Brazel's Roswell Daily Record interview. They
>quote him as saying, "When the debris was gathered up the
>tinfoil, paper, tape, and sticks made a bundle about three feet
>long and 7 or 8 inches thick, while the rubber made a bundle
>about 18 or 20 inches long and about 8 inches thick."

Yep- that=92s an alien spaceship, all right!

>In other words, those multiple, mangled targets would have been >all rolled up together into one bundle.

Assumption.

>When you unpack that bundle in Fort Worth for photos, there >should be some evidence of multiple targets all mixed up into >one bundle - right? - extra framework sticks and extra >triangular foil panels used to make the targets.

Assumption.

An Article of Faith with Rudiak is that the FW pictures show all the debris that was on Gen Ramey=92s floor - which is another assumption of David=92s part.

>Now let me again break the bad news to the debunkers, based not >on an eyeball estimate, but on a very careful, 3-D computer >analysis of the photos I have been doing the last two weeks.

Your work here is to be commended, but, as we do have the basis here for independent review of your work, I would suggest that you find an unbiased third party that can verify your analysis.

There is also a point you might have missed: What is your basis for an assumption that the FW photo=92s show _all_ of the debris that was on Ramey=92s floor? There is plenty of room to stage right for additional debris to have been present.

>Furthermore, the white paper backing on this single target is >surprising clean for a target that was supposedly dragged and >shredded through the dirt, left out in the open for a month, and >cycled through a few thunderstorms. This paper is uniform, >bright white. There is no evidence of dirt and no water stains >anywhere to be seen.

Until you can replicate the material, verify and replicate the weather on Foster=92s ranch (not at Roswell!), and replicate the effects of Bond=92s flash on this material, then all you have are assumptions- or as you put it, =93wishful thinking=94.

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>But according to the way the balloons trains were configured, >these should have all come down together and been found in the >same general crash area along with the one magical, clean >shredded Rawin and one magical, intact, nonshredded balloon >seen in the Fort Worth photos. And all you have to back this up are assumptions. OTOH, Moore has stated that his observations of these systems is that they fail gradually. Moore=92s expertise vs. your assumptions- no contest.

>Which all goes to prove that if you are allowed to make any >assumptions you want and then apply some additional magical >thinking and handwaving, then you explain away anything.

Your Magic Wand has not demonstrated that your assumptions are more valid than Moore=92s expertise and my assumptions.

>>Even Mac had recovered piebald balloons in the past.

>According to Bessie Brazel Schreiber, the weather balloons they
>recovered on the ranch had award tags, indicating they were
>probably radiosondes, not bare "piebald" balloons. If
>radiosondes, then the lifting balloon, if still present would be
>identical to those used on Mogul, not a pigmented "piebald"
>balloon (which weren't all pigmented, BTW).

Granted, but they were tagged. Remember- when Mac originally found the debris, he stuffed it away as junk. Had Mac not heard of all the fuss about Flying Disks two weeks later, he probably would never have given it another thought.

>>But these
>>past recoveries had not included foil and sticks. It was not the
>>balloon material that made the debris unusual, it was the Rawin.

>Yeah, yeah. The aluminum foil, balsa wood, Scotch tape, and >white paper was just s00000 mysterious. Everybody goes gah, gah >at Roswell.

>Now let's get serious. Again I toss out the following questions, >which remain unaddressed and unanswered by the debunkers. No >magical thinking allowed.

>1. How did exactly one Rawin end up in Ramey's office, not one >scintilla more or less? (Remember, no magical thinking)

One of each according to _your_ analysis.

>2. How could the white paper on the Rawin be so clean after >being dragged through the dirt to shred it and then >thunderstormed on?

What makes you believe that it was =93thunderstormed on=94?

>3. How can one possibly account for the complete absence of even >a shard of another Rawin? How could the other Mogul Rawins >escape completely unscathed while leaving exactly one shredded >Rawin behind to be later gathered up into that one bundle by >Mack Brazel? (Remember, no magical thinking.)

(This is more 'Magical Thinking' on David=92s part. I am sure that he believes that his computer is The Authority here, but why should we believe his computer, when he asks us not to believe Prof. Moore=92s?)

>4. How come there are no "fragments" of multiple popped and >shredded balloons in the Fort Worth photos? Why does the balloon >material in the photos actually look intact?

And why, pray tell, should it not look intact? Just because I proposed a scenario that called for a fragmented balloon, does not give my proposal any weight of authority.

>5. Why can the balloon material in the photos be accounted for >by one balloon with no need for multiple balloons to explain it? >Why did Ramey and minions, such as weather officer Newton, >always describe it as singular, as they did the radar target? >Why does Newton insist to this day that's all there was?

Because that is all there was on the floor?

>6. Why does the balloon still look flexible, being folded in a >pile and showing stretch marks? Supposedly it should be brittle >and breaking up into "ash-like" flakes after a month in the sun.

(covered under separate posts.)

>7. Why didn't Ramey display Cavitt's "black box" along with the >other debris, the alleged radiosonde "battery box." Nothing

Ask Cavitt. He has not proven to be a very verbose character. As long as we are having fun with assumptions; Perhaps he was unaware of Marcel=92s flight to FW, and did not think it worth bringing up after Ramey=92s explanation.

>8. What happened to all the other payload gear that should have >come down together with the Rawins on the Mogul - items like >the radiosonde and sonobuoy supposedly on Flight 4? Not only >aren't these items in the photos, no witness in the field >described them either. Why?

Who knows? Cavitt=92s Black Box may be one of them; maybe he collected more? Maybe they were ripped off while the system was dragged, and could have been found if they had backtracked.

>9. What happened to the twine tying everything together that >should also have been found?

Bessie described eyelets, and Bill Brazel said he found some of the monofilament.

>10. Why would the FBI be told that Wright Field disagreed with >the assessment of it being a radar target suspended from a >balloon? Why would Wright Field disagree? Why would it be >necessary to forward the target and balloon on to Wright Field >for identification yet again, after Newton's supposedly >definitive ID and Ramey's announcement that the special flight >to Wright Field was no longer necessary.

If someone at FW was, or became aware of, the possible security issues with NYU tests, then a certain amount of reticence is understandable. It is reasonable to assume that this was the case, as the debris was forwarded to Col Duffy, then head of the Project, not just anyone at the AMC. Given the tight security around Mogul, it would be SOP to ask that the material should be forwarded on make sure that there were no further problems to be expected.

Blanchard=92s remarks, as related by Haut, would seem to indicate that this is probably the way it happened.

>11. Can even one item or physical characteristic of the debris
>shown in Fort Worth clearly indicate it must have come from
>Mogul instead of being a standard Rawin and meteorological
>balloon from somewhere else/

Can you can come up with a record of a AAFB stockpiling degraded neoprene balloons and shredded Rawins, and come up with a reasonable explanation on why a crashed spaceship should just happen resemble so closely this stockpiled degraded neoprene, tinfoil and balsa?

>Curiously that is also exactly what witnesses Marcel and Dubose >said happened. Imagine that.

Ahhh yes, those same 30-40 year old memories that you trashed so conveniently when talking about Prof. Moore. Imagine that!

Here is a comment dredged from a previous UFOupdates post from Kevin Randle:

"Damn, I really hate to have to agree with Mr. Todd about anything, but I will on this one point. Prof. Moore has always been kind and helpful to me and I don't believe that he would intentionally spin the truth to his point of view. "

Regards,

Bruce Hutchinson

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EDITORIAL

Our Editorial in the previous issue provoked an angry response from UFO historian Jerome Clark, on the UFO UpDates mailing list. Here are the more relevant quotes from his message:

"To use an atrocity like the 11 September slaughter to score cheap points against ufologists who presume to disagree with Magonia's favored beliefs is, at best, to make oneself look cynical beyond reason and, at worst, to raise questions concerning your sense of moral proportion.

"Though I don't think much of psychosocial ufology, I have always thought well of you, John. I would have expected better. You're making about as much sense as the California pro-gun group that exploited the atrocity to promote its crusade against gun control."

Clark has missed the point, as usual. Atrocities always spark off debates on subjects which have some relevance to them. Massacres by mad gunmen in Britain led to intensive debates about guns, their uses and abuses, and who should be allowed to own and use them, and under what conditions. To suggest that debates about the laws concerning guns, and their relevance to the question of terrorist threats, should be taboo is just humbug.

There is one thing that can confidently be stated about guns, however: they belong to the real world. It is possible to have serious debates and discussions about them. On the other hand, the human-alien hybrids and the crashed saucers at Wright-Patterson AFB belong to the world of fantasy.

Many ufologists evidently have a strong distaste for reality, like Elwood Dowd (James Stewart) in the film Harvey (1950), who says: "I've wrestled with reality for 35 years, and I'm happy, doctor, I finally won out over it."

Magonia prefers to face reality, and it does not have any "favored beliefs". Its editors and contributors try to bring a bit of logic, and respect for facts rather than wild speculations, into the mad little world of ufology. Of course this approach makes UFO stories seem rather less interesting than when they are presented by the writers of gee-whiz books and the lecturers at crazy UFO conferences. But ufologists must make their choice. Are they engaged in serious, objective research and debate, or are they just providing a form of popular entertainment?

Martin S. Kottmeyer

It is a starry summer evening about twelve miles from Paris in

1950. An ex-pilot who runs the Bar de L'Escadrille near the airport takes a stroll before going to bed. He hears a whistling like the wind and turns to see two flying saucers have landed a few hundred feet nearby. They are each 16 feet in diameter, four and a half feet high in the centre, and all round their edges are little oblong windows. Thick oval doors open and out steps one man from each saucer. They are five and a half feet tall, have brown hair, and wear flying suits that, in the darkness, seem dark brown or dark blue.

They both run to a point on one of the machines where a rod running from the centre of the disc to the edge needs to be reset or replaced. The rod has a rubber pad at the end and is one of many that lie about eight inches apart around the machine. The witness remarked that the repair was done "with naked hands, without any tools". He walked up to them and asked if they had had a breakdown. They were briefly startled, but calmly indicated, "Yes, but it will soon be all right". This was said very slowly, but in accurate French.

The repair was done quickly in roughly a minute. The men opened the doors again and a blinding light came from the interior. The witness emphasised, "the light was the most perfect I had ever seen". He could see no source to it and he saw no shadows. Sitting at the centre of the craft was a red leather dentist's chair. Above this was "a very large kind of oval steering wheel, with a handle at each extremity. It was all metal and covered in signs and switches. To the front of the chair was something like a wireless set with seven or eight knobs. There were also several other pieces of apparatus around the chair on pedestals. The witness tried to engage the pilot in conversation and asked him about "the uses of the many knobs on the instrument-board". He answered back, "Power". (1)

A few seconds later the doors on each saucer closed. From the outside the machine appeared weightless and hung four or five inches above the ground. It looked like aluminium to him. The holes along the edge of the craft lit up and the machines took off at tremendous speed accompanied only by a sound like the wind. The witness, however, felt nothing. He decided against telling anyone and noticed the next day that there was not the slightest evidence that anything had happened. The grass was not flattened, reinforcing the impression there had been no landing-gear. (2)

This story was told to French ufologist Jimmy Guieu and a producer on Radio Monte Carlo, Fernand Carlo some time in the early 1950s. Guieu emphasises that the interview took place before George Adamski's book Flying Saucers Have Landed had gone to press. This was to allay concerns that similar details like the craft hanging above the ground could not have been gleaned from that source. Guieu's book had been written and revised by January 1954 and this places an upper limit for the appearance of this saucer repair case. It is not the first repair case of the saucer era - the April 1950 Bruno Facchini case predates it - but it is near the head of a rather long line of such encounters.

Here, we are not dealing with distant points of light and matters of interpretation. There are no issues of illusion, misidentification, and honest mistakes in a case like this. The witness talked with a guy who spoke back in good French and took off in a flying saucer only a few feet in front of his eyes. There's no middle ground. The story is either true or completely false. The claimant, Claude Blondeau, had been both a commercial pilot and one with the Air Force and had 1,500 flying hours to his credit. People like that automatically get points for mental stability to have held such positions.

There was very little here to boggle the mind in terms of science. The craft defies gravity, but little else. We get none of the biological absurdities of abduction lore, no switching off of witnesses, no mind rays. There is no appeal to religious or spiritual sensibilities. It is a simple technological tale. An ex-pilot gets a glimpse inside a new flying machine: a leather seat, a steering wheel with switches close at hand, and an array of extras at arm's length. It is so quiet you only hear the wind even at full throttle. And it is so simple you can fix it without tools! A dream car of the air. All we need to know is whether it's a Porsche or Lamborghini.

Looking back on this story with 50 years distance and perspective forces complications on what had to have looked like an admirably plausible story at the time. All those knobs and switches sounded reasonable in the Fifties, but by the turn of the century, Roswellians began to speak of their crashed saucers having equipment proving they are controlled by mental interfaces. MILAB lore tells of abductees involuntarily enlisted into experiments with these interfaces. (3) Given what we now know about computer technology, mental interfaces are a more logical expectation than a saucer controlled by banks of switches. Given this development, Blondeau's saucer now firmly belongs in antique shows rather than UFO showrooms.

That big old steering wheel at the centre of the saucer is a feature that certainly seems unique among UFO stories. Bullard at least completely missed listing any examples in his study of the craft used in abductions. (4)Offhand, I can't recall seeing one in any contactee stories either. The holes along the rim that light up on take-off seem an odd detail, similar to yet different from the more common feature of jets of flame along the rims of the pinwheeling saucers seen in this period. There is a crude approximation to this style of lighting in one of Budd Hopkins's cases, the 1975 George O'Barski encounter, but if there is a more exact match it evidently was not popular enough to make it into Stacy and Huyghe's recent Field Guide to UFOs. (5)

The admission by the man working on the rod that the craft had broken down, but would soon be all right, could be regarded as a doubtful matter. As Kent Jeffrey argued in the context of the implausibility the Roswell crash, technology seems to get increasingly reliable as time goes by. (6) Shouldn't a sufficiently advanced technology, first, need little or no repair-- second, monitor itself to foresee the need for maintenance before failure in flight -- and third, repair itself without human hands, i.e. by mechanical helpers or nano-technology?

One puzzle the story places before a listener is whether we are dealing with an alien craft or secret earth technology. The talk of brown-haired men in dark flight suits invites the presumption of earthly origin. The fact that the man talks good French, but slowly, prefers an inference of training in a foreign language over aliens who would likelier invoke telepathy or other magical analogues. The fact that the craft is single- seater suggests a craft in an early stage of development, and the presence of two allows the thought that one was a spotter chaperoning a newly built copy on a shake-down cruise. With an alien craft, you tend to expect a crew aboard.

Yet there is that detail where Blondeau speaks of a pure light without source or shadow which sounds as if he is exploiting the poetics of religious visions. This is a celestial light, the light of heaven and angelic souls. Too, the weightless character of the craft also defies everyday intuitions about earthly matter. Such quiet defiance of gravity is more in line with spirits and supermen than rocket science. Both these marvels appear elsewhere in contactee lore (7) and abduction lore. (8) They also appear in conjunction with aliens in science fiction literature (9) and science fiction films. (10) Hence they seem more 'right' for an ETH viewpoint.

We might fit the celestial light detail into the secret technology framework by appeal to atomic power.The pure light would allude to radioactivity, reactor glow, and the alchemy of atomic fire. The weightlessness is trickier, but may simply allude to magnetic forces being harnessed, perhaps as a spin-off from the Manhattan Project or from cyclotron work on particle physics. The more desperate ETH advocates may, however, choose to argue that the appearance of these details in other UFO reports points to shared alien reality. There was no secret saucer technology on earth in 1950 capable of accounting for the Blondeau CE3K and it must be real, given the character of the witness and the validation provided by such identical details.

Without a confession signed in blood, there is probably no hope of convincing diehards that this case is an obvious fiction, but I suspect culture trackers and those worried by that monster steering wheel can be more easily cajoled to appreciate the need for accepting an argument for unreality.

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The key to what this story is about, at least to my eye, is the moment when the saucer pilot shrugs off the questions about what the knobs are for and succinctly answers, "Power". This a handsome moment and to get the full and proper reaction you should not be reading it in a saucer book, but hearing it in the Bar de L'Escadrille. This is a story inspired, shaped, and informed by 'guytalk'. The template is the guys sitting around talking about their cars and the cars of the big guys - racers and high rollers. The talk comes around to one guy telling how he got to get a close look at the sports-machine of one of the big guys. The driver stopped because his 'rod' needed a little adjustment. He wants to chat with him and so asks him about all the eye-popping stuff he sees inside. The big guy is a no-nonsense sort and cuts him short with that single word - Power. It distils down to the essence all he really needs to know. The big guy has it - YOU don't. The listeners at the bar smile, for they understand. Everything with guys is about power. The bigger the engine, the faster the car. It is about being more powerful than the next guy.

What Blondeau's story has done is to lightly transmute the technological elements into a futuristic framework. It is the guy-thing taken up the next rung of the technological ladder. The saucer is little more than a sports car with a third dimension. Beyond the steering wheel, reclining leather seat, radio, knobs and switches, we know from the closing scene that it has speed. It goes from zero to zenith in the blink of an eye and does it smoothly: leaving only the sound of the wind. Picture that scene again. The big guy has delivered the word "Power," shuts the door, and speeds straight up into the sky with the whisper of wind. Blondeau has written the perfect commercial for the dream-car of the future. It is just too good to be true.

Regardless of the shape of the car, this is every guy's fantasy.

Notes

1. Eric Zurcher's catalogue of French CE3K cases gives the response as "Energie" which is admittedly less richly allusive than what appears in this English translation. I obviously prefer the use of the word Power here, but it does not fundamentally matter to the dream-car analogy. Zurcher types the case as a work of imagination and notes that a dossier exists that disputes the case. No confession is cited. Les Apparitions d'Humanoides, Editions, Alain Lefeuvre, 1979, 173-174

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10. light: Star Trek, "Return of the Archons" - lite: "The Cosmic Man" (1959)

We all have our own ideas of what constitutes good and bad UFO evidence or testimony. My own instinct is to reject any witness whose testimony consists of claims such as: "Officials made death threats if we talked about it" and "Remember, this meeting never took place . . ." Such remarks inhibit me from taking seriously any anecdotal evidence this witness offers thereafter.

Yet this kind of testimony has popped up time and again in ufology. One example was indirectly brought up at a recent conference where the speaker referred to the "Disclosure Project" press conference held by Dr Steven Greer in Washington last May. According to this speaker, the Fortean Times account of the said conference (in FT148, July 2001) was heavily biased and only mentioned the more, shall we say, extremist testimony, but omitted any mention of the evidence given by John Callahan, a former Federal Aviation Administration employee. The speaker called this omission "disgraceful", and earned a round of applause.

Callahan's testimony centred round an incident he was involved in, namely the radar/visual sighting by a Japanese airliner over Alaska in November 1986. I then looked at his testimony (as printed in UFO Magazine). In the course of it Callahan claims that soon after the incident he attended a top level meeting which included "three men from Reagan's scientific staff, three CIA people, three FBI people and I don't remember who the other guys were, with all the FAA experts . . . " The purpose of this meeting was to decide what to tell the public. Callahan then testifies: "When it was all done one of the CIA men told the people they were now swaorn to secrecy, that this meeting never happened and this event [the UFO incident] never happened." Of course everyone knows the incident indeed happened.

Callahan then relates: "Now I have told this story many times, and I get sometimes funny looks from people." And well he might, for if he was genuinely warned that the said meeting "never occurred" why was he telling people of this meeting at all? Why had he violated his oath of secrecy so quickly? Yet Callahn is, he claims, prepared to testify before Congress (assuming of course that Congress ever bothers to devote any time to this "Disclosure Project").

Is there a recorded case of anyone ever having been prosecuted for revealing either details of a UFO incident or an official meeting to discuss such an incident?

Christopher D. Allan, Stoke-on-Trent

Recently I finally got to see Fire in the Sky, which is based on the Travis Walton case. What struck me as truly unbelievable was not the UFO abduction, but what a weird lot of rednecks allegedly inhabit Arizona. Or were the earthbound sequences just Hollywood licence?

You have raised the question of why there are so few multiple-witness sightings. Though this is indeed a serious objection to nuts-and-bolts hypotheses, I think that the explanation is partly to do with the way sightings are reported or not reported. Some UFO scepics appear to hold to the extraordinary notion that any UFO witness will necessarily make a report. In fact, over the years I have met a number of people with UFO experiences, which I learned about when the subject of ufology chanced to be raised. In no case had they reported to anyone, though one woman had written a letter to Tony Dodd which, however, she never sent. This suggests that most sightings are not reported.

In July last year a man living near Walthamstow Marshes in East London told me that he had seen a UFO at 8.50 pm on 27 June. It was a black coloured crescent with two red lights, hovering over a mobile phone aerial about a hundred yards from the living room window of his flat. He watched it for a bout a minute as it slowly rotated. The lights turned white and started flashing. Then it shot off over a clump of trees on the marsh, and went out of sight.

There must have been dozens, perhaps hundreds of windows with a view of that mast, but I know of no other reports. Yet this does not necessarily mean that the UFO was not objective. Midway

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through a Wednesday evening most people would either have gone out or be watching television. Suppose that it was real and that a dozen people did see it. At least half of them would not bother to tell anyone (my informant, once again, only mentioned it to me after the topic happened to come up in conversation). Of those who did, one could guess what would occur. One would telephone the police and receive nothing but a caution for using the emergency line for a frivolous purpose. Another would write to the Ministry of Defence and get the standard brush-off letter that UFOs are of no defence significance. A third would write to London airport, who throw all such letters in the waste paper basket. A fourth would telephone the local paper, who might be interested, but in most cases are not. The remaining two would write to two separate UFO organisations. One of these, being understaffed, would not reply, while the other would send back a sighting report form. This, when completed, would be filed away and forgotten. There is no central co-ordination of reports, which usually are not available to the public.

It would be a possible but unenviable task to make door to door enquiries: that area is rather rough, and most people have barred metal gates in addition to the ordinary front door. A friend who recently did research for the transport planning authority tells me that the commonest response to ringing peoples' bells asking for information is to be told to go away (in much stronger words than that).

There you have it. If there are multiple-witness sightings, then quite likely we shall never know about them.

Gareth J. Medway, London

Cruel hoax.

Do you know that if you collect umpteen thousand Walkers crisp [potato chips, for our transatlantic chums] packets then this philanthropic firm will pay for expensive medical treatment for a sick or crippled child? Well, if you hear such a story from someone collecting crisp packets, tell them not to waste their time; it's just a "cruel hoax". This particular one has been doing the rounds for many years in Britain and, for some obscure reason, it is always Walkers crisps.

The latest victims are police officers in Plumstead, London, according to The Sun (27 October 2001). A man claiming to represent Walkers phoned the police station telling them that they knew of a boy suffering from leukaemia, and if they collected this boy's 6-stone weight in crisp packets the firm would pay to have him sent to the USA for treatment. Suspicions were aroused when a policeman's wife who is a school teacher asked her pupils to help and found that colleagues were already collecting for a different Walkers charity scheme.

So they finally did the obvious thing and checked with Walkers, who of course knew nothing of these schemes. Pc Mark Davies said: "I cannot believe some sicko would prey on people's feelings like this."

Silly names.

Connoisseurs of silly names should turn their attention to the Japanese car industry. In the motoring supplement of The Daily Telegraph (27 October 2001) Mike Rutherford, inspired by his recent visit to the Tokyo Motor Show, gives a list of model names for cars.

He writes: "In the past, there have been some corkers: the Toyota Synus, Mitsubishi Dingo, Suzuki Alto Afternoon Tea, Toyota Country Boy and Deli Boy Supreme, Nissan Cedric and, my favourite, the Mitsubishi Lettuce."

This year's show included concept vehicles called: the Isuzu Begin Funky Box, Nissan Nails, Honda Life Dunk, Mazda Secret Hideout, Daihatsu Naked F, Toyota Cist and Suzuki Van Van.

Everyday cars on sale in Japan include: the Daihatsu Terios Kid, Honda Fit, Mazda Bongo Friendee, Isuzu Big Horn, Mitsubishi Delica Space Gear, Nissan Datsun, Suzuki Every Landy and Toyota Sparky. Magonia Supplement No. 38

Silly excuses. A recent survey gathered information on reasons for absences from work. Most of them were the usual headaches and stomach upsets. However, "The survey found that excuses as bizarre as having a foot stuck in the toilet, having keys buried by the dog and getting abducted by aliens have been used by those desperate to avoid work." (The Daily Telegraph, 6 November 2001)

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"I've wrestled with reality for 35 years, and I'm happy, doctor, I finally won out over it." Elwood Dowd (James Stuart) in "Harvey"

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Re: Roswell Threads - Pt II - Hutchinson

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>Part II:

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>If he was so eager to collect that reward, why didn't he bring >those two small bundles with him to show what he had found? That >would have been the logical thing to do.

A good question - one that we will never know the answer to. But that is the way it happened.

>Furthermore, under Ramey's orders, Marcel told a story of >Brazel's find, which you will find detailed in numerous AP >stories. Brazel had first gathered up the material and thrown it >under some brush. Brazel first heard of the saucers in Corona on >Saturday night, and then immediately rushed back to "dig up" the >material first thing Sunday (I'm not making this up). According >to Brazel this was 8 miles from his ranch house, so some effort >would have been involved in retrieving this.

Notice the spin - he "rushed back". If you stood to gain a fair bit of loot for some otherwise irritating 'junk', what=92s 8 miles got to do with it?

>Then after "rushing back" to recover his find some distance from >his ranch house, what does Brazel do? Does he immediately go to >Roswell. No, he waits another day, according to the story. More >astoundingly, he fails to take those bundles with him to show >what he has found after rushing back and going out of his way to >get them.

>How believable is this fable?

Despite your spinning, more believable than your version.

BTW - he waited until Monday because Brazel was a practical man. So long as he had to go to Roswell, he might as well take care of business matters as well, and Roswell was closed on Sunday. He was not in a rush, as you are vainly trying to spin it.

<snip>

>Brazel _explicitly_ >disavowed ever thinking it was a weather device in the Daily >Record article. Yet the Sheriff claimed Brazel came in saying he >thought it might be a "weather meter."

If Brazel was trying to turn in a solution to the Flying Disk

hoopla, he hardly would want to admit the people who might write checks that he really thought it was a "weather meter". He did mention this to his friend, Wilcox, but not to the RDR.

>Sheriff Wilcox, when pushed for a more detailed description by
>somebody from AP, declined to answer, saying he was "working
>with those fellows at the base." AP reporter Jason Kellahin
>likewise said Wilcox (whom he knew well) wouldn't discuss the
>matter with him because the military had told him not to talk
>about it.

If you were a military man just informed by the sheriff that someone had come in with pieces of a Flying Disk, your first (or second) comment to him would be to please not discuss this with the press until we had a chance to look over the claim. Marcel would have thought of this. Really sinister, eh?

<snip>

>>I find it curious that Shandara, who was working to prove the
>>UFO hypothesis, gets such short shrift from you and Kevin. I
>>wonder what your opinions would be of his account if he had
>>published the exact opposite - without supporting tapes. But
>>here we have a fellow that is working hard to get a different
>>answer from Col DuBose, and got the "wrong" answer. It is to his
>>credit that he published his notes anyway, even if it was
>>detrimental to his case.

>His and Moore's "cause" at the time was to prove that this was >the real Roswell debris. Lo and behold, Shandera claims Dubose >confirms in his interview that this was the real debris from >Roswell, in contradiction to every other interview Dubose ever >did. What a coincidence!

From Phil Klass: "An article by Shandera, published in the Jan. 1991 issue of the _MUFON UFO Journal_, flatly contradicted things that DuBose (then nearly 90 years old) earlier told Randle and Schmitt. Don Ecker, Research Director for UFO Magazine, told me (Klass) that DuBose had also told him contradictory stories during two interviews in a single day."

<snip>

>>And despite your research that shows the Southwest was lousy
>>with Rawins, nothing you have turned up indicates that Marcel
>>had knowledge of them. When he found the stuff, he was intrigued
>>and curious "he tried to make a kite".

>Nothing you have turned up indicates he wasn't. Can you explain >to us how you know for a fact that Marcel didn't know about >radar targets or even ordinary rubber weather balloons? Is this >another of those amazing debunker psychic abilities where they >hold seances with he dead or use remote viewing to follow people >around in the past every moment of their lives to determine what >they did or did not know?

Ococo - great spin there, David! From the sarcasm, I can only assume that your point is that the UFO proponent camp has the patent on communing with the dead, thus your flat assurance that we can take it as a matter of fact that Marcel was intimately acquainted with Rawins- indeed, as was most of the military world at that time.

>I have already pointed out that one of Marcel's MOS's was radar >intelligence officer=85.

Marcel was primarily the Photo Intelligence Officer, the guy responsible for interpretation of photo recon and bomb damage assessment. He was trained as a cartographer in the oil industry, where he used aerial photos to evaluate potential drilling sites.

He had taken a month long radar intelligence course, but that was in the theory and use of an _airborne_ radar set, the AN/APS- 15A. This course would _not_ have covered the deployment or use of Rawins- they would not be useful to an airborne radar system. So please point out where this course had anything to do with meteorological equipment.

>Besides this misses the major point. All anybody had to know was >that these were ordinary materials, recognizable to the average

>5 year old: rubber balloons, Scotch tape, tinfoil, paper, and >balsa wood used to make kites. No average person, much less a >trained intelligence officer, would ever jump to the conclusion >that this was anything like the reported flying saucers flying >at supersonic speeds.

This is your assumption, which is convenient if you want to support the 'alien spaceship' story. However, couple the known facts with the Mac Brazel interview, Bessie=92s memories and the basic descriptions of the other First Witnesses, and an entirely different story emerges. Comes down to whose 30-40 year old memories you want to trash, doesn=92t it.

>>Press release hits papers - Ramey notified. Ramey talks to his
>>staff, and Blanchard (and/or Marcel, Cavitt, etc) via phone.
>>Descriptions are made, and a consensus is arrived at that it
>>looks like a wrecked radar target. Marcel and debris are ordered
>>to Ft Worth to confirm tentative identification, and to give
>>better credence to all future press releases.

>>While Ramey waits, phones are ringing off the hook. Ramey, >>Kirton, and possibly others take a few of the calls and calm >>some semi-hysterical reporters with the tentative >>identification.

>>Sure the above is speculation, but it fits how intelligent men
>>would have handled such a situation, fits the available
>>evidence,

>Nice try, but displays your usual disregard of details. There
>would be no time for this _after_ the release hit the wires.
>From the moment the story became public to when Newton's
>official ID went out was only three hours. Photos were being
>taken within two hours, and Ramey was claiming the debris was
>already in his office barely an hour later.

Which gives Ramey and staff an hour to field those phone calls. IIRC, the release hit the wires at about 3:30. Give the papers a moment or two to digest the news, and the phones FW were giving out busy signals by 3:40. Plenty of time to field a few calls.

>So unless the 8th AAF had one of those supersonic saucers at >their disposal all prepped and ready to go, your scenario is not >only impossible, it's ridiculous.

Well, by your lights, of course it is. Meanwhile, you are very comfortable with Ramey and company having scads of time to determine- strictly verbally by phone, mind you- that this mysterious wreckage bears an uncanny resemblance to a deteriorated neoprene balloon and a shredded Rawin- a device that everyone is, of course, familiar with. Calls to friends from at various bases eventually produces the requisite substitute ("just happen to have one in stock, general! Nicely aged just two to three weeks, too!") and it is flown to FW for the sham photos. During their spare time, Ramey and staff can concoct the conspiracy of silence that still exists, no doubt covering all the various things that can, and usually do go wrong. And so, by 4:30, the whole apparatus in place, ready to bamboozle the public.

Yeah, timing is everything!

<snip>

>>and is supported by later missives from Twining and >>Schulgen, who knew that the U.S. did not have any crashed alien >>ships.

>Why would there be any mention of "crashed alien ships" in >documents classified at a lower level than "Top Secret"?

Ahhh - subject matter for a new thread someday!

>Besides >Schulgen never brought this up in his "missives." This seems to >be another of your usual inventions of "facts."

Curiously, the dog didn=92t bark.

>>>On the other hand, most of what Marcel recounted in his >>>interviews tracked quite well with what can be determined from

>>>his military file, news articles of the day, and interviews with
>>>other witnesses. Marcel's story has a lot of corroborating
>>>evidence.

>>Most? Pilot? Air Ace with 5 kills? Degree from Georgetown?

>Yes indeed most. Most of Marcel's so-called "lies" are flagrant >misrepresentations of Marcel's record and words, originally >started by Robert Todd, but continuing into the present, >including by you in your misrepresentation of his evaluation by >Blanchard.

Misrepresent? What is being misrepresented here is Marcel=92s service record, and the guy doing it is Jessie himself. Robert Todd just did the research to see if Marcel=92s claims were true. They weren=92t. That is not "misrepresentation", that is good research.

>As to the "pilot", "5 kills" and degree from Georgetown, all >this stems from one hasty, incompletely transcribed interview by >Bob Pratt, assumption of 100% accuracy in that existing >transcription (Ever done a transcription from tape? Words get >garbled and are difficult to interpret, inflections can get lost >in print, and inappropriate punctuation can get added, all of >which can alter the intended meaning), and finally debunker >propaganda spin.

Ohhhh, goody. Now you are trying to trash a tape you have never heard, and a transcription that was done by the person who was sitting with Marcel when he uttered his claims. That is so patently ridiculous.

Up to this point, your assumptions, contentions and spinning showed a great deal of research, and attention to detail. Commendable. Don=92t destroy the illusion with this inane flopping around. Marcel made these claims to Pratt. Deal with Marcel=92s propensity to stretch the truth, not Pratt=92s hypothetical =93bad tape=94.

>I can't get into this in great detail, but very briefly:

>"Pilot": Marcel _never_ claimed to be an Air Force pilot, only >an intelligence officer.

Bull. He told Pratt he had been a pilot since 1928 with over 3,000 hours of flying time.

>All he ever said >about this was that he "WAS" the bomb wing intelligence officer >(fact) and flew at times "AS" (not that he "was") a pilot on the >bombing missions (for non-rated personnel to occasionally fly >co-pilot is a lot more common than debunkers will acknowledge

Again, bull. It was common practice for everyone to learn a little about each other=92s job, including rudimentary flying lessons. This was done for a practical reason- if one person was killed or disabled, another might be able to step in and take over. Basic flying lessons were common, as everyone should at least know how to try and get the plane back to a safe area before bailing out. Nothing exciting there, and few hours of stick time (with the real pilot sitting in the other chair) hardly qualifies Jessie as a =93pilot=94.

>"Air Ace with 5 kills:" Except for Pratt's interview, nobody can >recall Marcel ever making the claim that he received "five air >medals because I shot down five enemy aircraft in combat." >Marcel's son, e.g., remembers him claiming to have shot down >only one. Marcel's record shows two air medals, during his >combat bombing missions under fire (as stated in the wording of >the air medals), so his claim of taking over the waist gun from >a dead gunner and shooting down one Japanese plane is not out of >the question. Air medals can be issued for singular acts of >merit (though Robert Todd _falsely_ claimed they were issued >only for lengthy air service.)

Here is the citation from the first of Jessie=92s Two (2) Air Medals:

"For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions from 4 December 1943 to 28 April 1944 in the Southern Pacific area during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation."

The second is identical, except for the dates of service. Strictly boilerplate, and issued to note that he served honorably, and survived.

As for Robert Todd, you owe him an apology. He never made the claim you ascribed to him. I did a quick search through his writings, and what he did say was:

"In fact, the citations [for Marcel's two Air Medals] make it clear the medals were awarded because Marcel had flown on enough combat missions for enough hours to qualify for the awards." _The KowPflop Quarterly_ 12/8/95

If the Air Medals were awarded for anything out of the ordinary, such as his =93shooting down five enemy airplanes=94, the citations would have noted that. The claim of being awarded =935 Air Medals=94 for shooting down the enemy is Marcel=92s invention, not reality. Your Magic Wand cannot change that.

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>Conclusion: Who knows? Perhaps
>it was a one-time boast, but given the lack of boasting by
>Marcel about the rest of his medals, I think it more likely was
>a Pratt transcription error.

Yeah, right.

>"Degree from Georgetown:" This is the only interview where the >subject of Marcel's education came up. Pratt's transcript has an >unusual amount of garbling here, the original transcript >reading:

> ...degree in nuclear physics (bachelors) at completed work at

> GW Univ in Wash. attended (LSU, Houston, U of Wis, NY Univ,

> Ohio, docotr pool? and GW...)"

>This doesn't even look like direct quoting anymore, but >something assembled from notes. It was obvious Pratt was having >difficulty understanding what was being said and it comes off as >ambiguous in part. Did Marcel say he got a degree from GWU or >just that he completed work there?

=93Attended=94 or =93Graduated=94, GWU never heard of him. And I suppose you have some Magic Spin Dust you can use to explain away the comments like =93degree=94, =93bachelors=94? Face it, this is just another fabrication from Maj Marcel.

>Did he actually say he >physically "attended" the universities Pratt listed in >parentheses?

He also said on his military personnel file that he spent a year at LSU. They never heard of him either.

(more futile spinning snipped)

>=85 and Marcel could have walked over there >in 5 minutes after work, maybe just audited it to learn more to >do his job better.

That is not what he said. It is possible that that is exactly what Marcel did do, but it is not what he told Pratt.

<snip>

>>Final point - Maj. Marcel was not a stupid person. He was >>reasonably intelligent, and a competent officer.

>Typical backhanded compliment, but reasonably accurate. Indeed >he was not a stupid person. Most who knew him considered him >highly intelligent. Even Cavitt spontaneously mentioned this in >his A.F. interview. And here's a sample comment from his >evaluator when he was with the Special Weapons Project. He >wrote, "He is a very intelligent officer and has a very wide >range of capabilities. He has had experience in the intelligence Re: Roswell Threads - Pt II - Hutchinson

>field in almost all its aspects from the lowest to the highest >limits. He has an excellent technical background [where did he >get it?], is a first class cartographer, draftsman, illustrator, >and presentation man." In other words (in a backhanded way), what I said. >>He was also impulsive, and had a good imagination. >As seems to be your habit, you are just making this up. Nope- as you pointed out some paragraphs below, >Blanchard >wrote, "his only known weakness is an inclination to magnify >problems he is confronted with." Symptoms of a person that is impulsive and has a good imagination. <snip> >>He simply was taken up >>with the press reports of all these Flying Disks, and then >>suddenly the possessor of some strange debris that he did not >>recognize. He thought he had solved the mystery, and proceeded >>with that assumption. >No matter how you try to spin things, nothing about a rubber >balloon or balsa/tinfoil radar kite was "strange." All of it was >material kids would recognize. Also it doesn't exactly jibe with
>Blanchard's actual superior rating of Marcel's ability to arrive >at logical conclusions, does it? On the contrary - the nation=92s papers were abuzz with the news about Flying Disks. Confronted with the debris, Marcel used his imagination and made, for him, a logical deduction. >Now let's address the one slightly negative comment in >Blanchard's spring 1948 evaluation, since debunkers like Bruce >claim this demonstrates that Marcel "imagined" things. Blanchard >wrote, "his only known weakness is an inclination to magnify >problems he is confronted with." >To the debunkers, who with their remarkable psychic abilities >know all about Marcel, Blanchard is specifically referring to >the Roswell incident. You did not get that from me. I assumed that Blanchard was taking about his subordinate in general, evaluating his overall performance. That it also applies to The Incident is interesting. >But if that were the case, why does >Blanchard elsewhere in the evaluation note Marcel's maturity, >coolness, businesslike demeanor, logical conclusions, good >judgment, etc.? That is totally inconsistent with Marcel being >"impulsive" with an overactive imagination, being swept away by >flying saucer hysteria and "magnifying" "strange debris" like >rubber, balsa, paper, tinfoil, and Scotch tape into a "not of >this Farth" flying saucer >this Earth" flying saucer. Not at all. If Marcel were sometimes =93inclined=94 to exhibit this behavior, this would not necessarily affect his performance when crunch time came. We all know people who sometimes are a little overly emotional, or occasionally give in to rash impulses, except when on the job. Marcel was one of those people. >If you want to get an accurate portrayal of what Blanchard >probably was describing, then you should place the comment in >the context of the entire evaluation

I have, which is precisely why I mentioned that Marcel was a competent officer.

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>(That's what's great about armchair psychobabble evaluations of >other people. You can twist and mold them into any grotesque >caricature of a person you want, just like some crooked DA >trying to railroad somebody into prison.) You=92ve just used your Magic Wand rather copiously in a futile attempt to blame Marcel=92s boasting on Pratt. If a =93grotesque caricature=94 of Marcel emerged from all this, it is primarily due to all of your flailing about.

Regards,

Bruce Hutchinson

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The Morality Of Lizards & Other Insectoids

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On The Morality Of Lizards And Other Insectoids **

There I was, cutting the hedges with an electric hedge cutter. It was about 1954 or close... not sure... and it was my job to do this. I had an uncle who was an artist, and shaped the hedges into a gorgeous design. All's I hadda do was follow the lines of his design and trim.

Our hedges were not only beautifully shaped and always in near perfect condition, but there were also a whole lot of them around our home in the Bronx. I didn't mind doing this job and I didn't mind tending the lawns which were also a lot, something like 5,000 square feet. And there was no electric or any other powered mower, just me.

Anyway, them hedges had a great many little critters living in and among the leaves. I often wondered what they all did there. When I spent some time during summer vacations, looking at those critters, I figgered out a lot. I figgered that the ants were looking for the sweet nectar as well as the pieces of leaves cut and stuck on and in the hedge branches. And the spider webs were a gas to study too. In the morning they were highly visible, dripping with dew. As the sun came up it dried the dew and I would be able to see how that little critter worked. He was a wily little bastard. I never liked him. He would lurk somewhere near his work and hide whilst patiently awaiting some innocent little ant or other small insect to get itself stuck in his web. God that was such a complicated web too. And it never took long for the spider to recreate it after I'd demolished it with my trusty hedge cutter.

Anyway, once the little critter got stuck in the web, the spider would smile (you could almost see that smirk) and say (in spider tongue which is similar to Hungarian)... the spider would shout, "Holy sh*t, _LUNCH!_" and proceed to the scene of the carnage, wrap the critter in a bundle like the giant ants did in "Them" and stick or inject or whatever, something into them to begin the painful process of digestion, even before the spider sucked out the juices.

Ah, but then there was the praying mantis. I was told never to touch or kill this thingie because they ate bugs. And the bugs they ate were bad bugs. This is also true of Lady Bugs. But I am not certain of the truth of whether the mantis really eats the bad guys.

It was the praying mantis which frightened me terribly. I think it was because the insect's face and shape of eyes reminded me of some insectoid and/or lizard-like alien entity I perceive to have interacted with. As I mentioned on the phone the other day to a researcher, I cannot look at the face (head on) of a sea turtle either. Same reason.

And Budd Hopkins has two cats, Siamese I think, which really bother me. It always seems to be the eyes.

Again you aks, "What's the point?" OK, I see the validity of your queery. Well, allow me to sip my Barbara's best coffee in the whole world. There, I fell much better now.

The Morality Of Lizards & Other Insectoids

Well, the answer is, when you see a bug, you really don't know if it's a good bug or a bad bug. And you really (if you are a perceived abductee) don't know if he's gonna eat you, suck your body fluids or just punish you for being in his (or her) way. That one time I saw a mantis do something bad was when she (on the bottom, I like it that way too) had this guy mantis on top. Even to my very young mind, I knew they were doing the nasty. Anyway, they were doing the nasty for a long, long, long time. I always admired the guy for that ability, you know?

I digress.

The female, after she was sure she got all she needed, turned her head around and began _eating_ her mate. And after all that great, and very long sex, not to mention her obvious multiple... uh, them's! Imagine all that time and all that fun and then, she eats the poor guy all up? Just like a woman, eh?

This really did fascinate me until I grew up. It was then I realized that having good sex is a lot like getting, uh, 'four letter worded'! The only difference is that when you get the former, you expect a hearty, "Gee, that was great, thank you." And getting the latter you get eaten up... head first. The most nutritious part. Then, you get smart and stay away from predators who like to live with their pray. And the last part of this, today's lesson, is that when you get some, you know, always stare at the mouth. It might turn into a mantis, a gray, a man in woman's cloth, or worse, someone who would drag pleasure from you and then eat your brain for your trouble, pleasure and knowledge. Such is the life of one who perceives that he is an abductee.

End of lesson.

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From: **Steven Aftergood** <<u>saftergood@fas.org></u> Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 13:28:02 -0500 Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 21:12:54 -0500 Subject: Secrecy News -- 01/31/02

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THE RETURN OF SPACE NUCLEAR REACTORS

For the first time in a decade, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration will request funding for development of a space nuclear reactor in the 2003 budget request to be released next week.

Space nuclear reactor technology has followed a boom-and-bust pattern of development since the 1950s. The U.S. launched one space reactor in 1965, a 500 Watt system that operated for 43 days and which remains in orbit. The last U.S. space reactor development program, a joint NASA-Defense Department effort known as the SP-100, was terminated ten years ago following the expenditure of nearly half a billion dollars.

(The Soviet Union around 30 reactors between 1967 and 1988. The U.S. has launched some two dozen spacecraft utilizing plutonium-powered electrical generators -- which are not reactors -- that produce a low level of electricity, for missions such as the Cassini probe to Saturn in 1995.)

NASA is proposing the new reactor initiative in order to support future space exploration programs, an informed official said. He noted uncertainty about the viability of the program in the current budgetary environment. He also expressed concern about possible attempts to involve the Defense Department in the program, fearing such a move might make it more vulnerable to political opposition.

The use of space nuclear reactors is dictated whenever moderate levels of electrical power (tens of kilowatts or more) are required in space over an extended period of time. The availability of a space nuclear reactor could enable a variety of ambitious space exploration programs such as a multi-decade mission beyond our solar system.

By the same token, space reactors could also be used to power space weapons and other military systems in orbit, attracting the opposition of some arms control advocates and environmentalists.

In an attempt to square this circle, the Federation of American Scientists and Soviet colleagues in 1988 proposed a ban on the operation of nuclear reactors in Earth orbit that would nevertheless permit their use for space exploration.

See "Nuclear Power in Space," Scientific American, June 1991,

for background on the checkered history of space reactors and discussion of the FAS proposal.

For some reason there has recently been a small surge of policy interest in space nuclear power, independent of the new NASA initiative.

"Thermionics Quo Vadis?" is the curious title of a new National Research Council report on the status of thermionics, which is an energy conversion technology used in some space reactor designs. The report provides some general information on space nuclear power. See:

http://www.nap.edu/books/030908282X/html/

The Department of Energy Inspector General reported this month on the administration of DOE's Advanced Radioisotope Power Systems program, which provides plutonium-powered electrical generators for NASA missions. See:

http://www.ig.doe.gov/pdf/ig-0540.pdf

REDUCING INTERAGENCY BARRIERS IN INTELLIGENCE

One of the perennial defects of U.S. intelligence has been the bureaucratic friction among its various member agencies that tended to impede cooperation and the achievement of common goals.

In order to diminish barriers among intelligence agencies and to enhance coordination, the Intelligence Community now requires officials to serve for a period of time in an intelligence agency other than their own as a condition of advancement to senior positions.

This personnel exchange policy is intended "to develop the future leadership of the Intelligence Community" and "to promote a wider understanding of IC missions and functions; bolster IC coordination; and enhance the effectiveness of the Community," according to an official directive issued in February 2000.

See Director of Central Intelligence Directive 1/4 on "Intelligence Community Officer Programs" here:

http://www.fas.org/irp/offdocs/dcid1-4.htm

The policy was initiated in 1997 and has been put into practice on a growing scale ever since. Last year there were approximately 900 slots throughout the Intelligence Community for such rotational assignments.

One Air Force implementation of this Community-wide program was recently described here:

http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/cp/icp/ico.htm

OFFICIAL RESOURCES

The head of the General Accounting Office yesterday explained the GAO's decision to pursue litigation against the Bush Administration in order to gain access to records of the Vice President's Energy Task Force.

"Were the Vice President's arguments in this case [against disclosure] to prevail, any administration seeking to insulate its activities from oversight and public scrutiny could do so simply by assigning those activities to the Vice President or a body under the White House's direct control," wrote Comptroller General David M. Walker.

A copy of the GAO statement is posted here:

http://www.fas.org/sgp/news/2002/01/gao013002.html

The latest public report from the CIA on "[Foreign] Acquisition of Technology Relating to Weapons of Mass Destruction and Advanced Conventional Munitions" was released on January 30. A copy is posted here: http://www.fas.org/irp/threat/bian_jan_2002.htm

The Treasury Department announced a series of steps to increase the "transparency" of global financial systems. See "Treasury Strengthens Transparency on Global Standards":

http://www.fas.org/irp/news/2002/01/tr013002.html

Sen. John Edwards this week introduced the "Cyberterrorism Preparedness Act of 2002," a bill intended to improve computer security against cyberterrorism and cybercrime. See:

http://www.fas.org/irp/congress/2002_cr/s1900.html

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Secrecy News will not be published for the next two weeks. Publication will resume during the week of February 18.

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Re: Manned V-1's - Hall

From: Richard Hall <<u>hallrichard99@hotmail.com></u>
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Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 21:15:23 -0500
Subject: Re: Manned V-1's - Hall

>From: James Oberg <<u>ioberg@houston.rr.com</u>>
>To: <<u>ufoupdates@</u>virtuallystrange.net>
>Subject: Re: Manned V-1's
>Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 14:23:44 -0600

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>>To: <u>ufoupdates</u>@virtuallystrange.net <ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net>
>>Subject: Manned V-1's
>>Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 08:26:14 -0800

>>The Germans never intended to developed 'Kamakazi' V-1's. That
>>kind of thing wasn't in their culture. The manned V-1s were
>>intended to find out why the unmanned ones kept crashing before
>>they were supposed to. Worked, too.

>Gordon Cooper tells an interesting tale in 'Leap of Faith', pp. >153-154, recounting what he says he heard from Joaquin 'Jack' >Keutner, whom he worked with on the Mercury-Redstone rocket.

>In an attempt to improve accuracy over the target, some V-1s
>were modified with a cockpit to allow for a pilot, Jack had
>flown several trips across the English channel atop a V-1
>strapped under a twin-engine Junkers bomber. After being dropped
>free, he would air-start the "Flying Bomb". When they got within
>range of London, he would release the bomb, then turn toward the
>French coast and ride the rocket home. Before landing, Jack
>would dump any remaining fuel and glide the V-1, modified with
>landing skids, to a belly landing in a field.

>One time, things didn't go as planned. For this flight, they
>had a two-man cockpit in a V-1, and Jack was checking out a less
>experienced pilot. When they were dropped by the Junkers, they
>couldn't get an air start and had to turn back toward France.
>Jack released the warhead but was unable to dump fuel, so they
>came in heavy, loaded with combustable fuel and at a high rate
>of speed: in excess of 270 miles per hour. They hit the field,
>slid its entire length, and went into a pine forest, leaving a
>trail of burning debris behind them. The rocket disintegrated.
>Somehow Jack got out, but the other fellow didn't.

>At war's end, a manned V-2 was sitting on the pad at Peenemunde, >all tested out, fueled up, and ready to go. It would have been >launched on a low-energy easterly orbit, Jack explained. The >plan: to drop a warhead on New York City. That 1945 manned >rocket flight - sixteen years before the first U.S. manned >rocket flight - came within a week or two of being launched."

>I guess the kindest thing to say about this silliness is that >Cooper must have been a sucker for wild and wooly 'war stories', >and it's sad he didn't know enough history and enough >aeronautical engineering to realize how impossible all these >tales were. That's assuming he actually did get these stories >from the German guy.

Jim,

You seem to be intent on discrediting Gordon Cooper's credibility, based on many of your posts. Would you be willing

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to go one-on-one with him in a public forum?
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- Dick Hall

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Re: The Morality Of Lizards & Other Insectoids

From: Loren Coleman <lcolema1@maine.rr.com>
Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 18:49:38 -0500
Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 21:19:07 -0500
Subject: Re: The Morality Of Lizards & Other Insectoids

>From: Jim Mortellaro <<u>Jsmortell</u>@aol.com>
>Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 16:12:19 EST
>Subject: The Morality Of Lizards & Other Insectoids
>To: ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net

>On The Morality Of Lizards And Other Insectoids **

<snip>

>spider

<snip>

>praying mantis which frightened me terribly. I think >it was because the insect's face and shape of eyes reminded me >of some insectoid and/or lizard-like alien entity I perceive to >have interacted with. As I mentioned on the phone the other day >to a researcher, I cannot look at the face (head on) of a sea >turtle either. Same reason.

>And Budd Hopkins has two cats, Siamese I think, which really >bother me. It always seems to be the eyes.

>Again you aks, "What's the point?"

<snip>

>** "Extracted from a monograph by Dr. J. Jaime Gesundt, >entitled, "It's my mind, leave me alone with it!"

Of course, the whole title premise is incorrect, as lizards are not insectoids. :-)

And neither are spiders or cats.

No wonder the aliens have a thing against all of your ufologists. If Dr. J. Jaime Gesundt is a good example, some folks don't even know their zoological classification systems. :-)

Loren

still trying to understand the world through the eyes of a $\operatorname{cockroach}$

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Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

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Fwd Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 21:20:37 -0500
Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman -

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>To: <<u>ufoupdates@virtuallystrange.net></u>
>Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman
>Date: Thu, 31 Jan 2002 08:37:28 -0600

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>>Subject: Re: 9 UFOs Caught On Video By Chilean Cameraman
>>Date: Wed, 30 Jan 2002 18:28:59 -0500

>>I could be wrong, and I'm no aeronautical expert, but I still >>find it hard to believe that satellites travel from north to >>south and vice versa.

>Uh, this is about the easiest thing to verify. What is there >about it, that you seem so unwilling to accept?

>If you have so many eyewitness reports, why don't you have the >simple datum about time-of-day of the incident?

Dear Mr. Oldbarge, List and of course, Errol,

What is it about the man's honest question which you cannot answer in a civil manner?

A question is never stupid when you don't know the answer. And here is a question which you cannot answer, I'll bet, I'll bet, I'll bet.

What is the temperature of the sand?

Jim Mortellaro

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