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OUR TIME IS SHORT

There are a number of reasons for thinking — at whatever level one may approach the problem — that time is now running out fast.

If the current world-wide political developments go as scheduled, it seems unlikely that we shall have much longer here in Britain a society in which there is freedom for the study or the discussion of a whole catalogue of matters — and "our subject" will assuredly be one of them. And, in any case, we can take it as pretty certain that mankind will have plenty of other things to think about!

It behoves us therefore to get as much as possible into print, and such has been our primary objective for some time past.

For years, indeed, some of us have felt that our situation is not unlike that of the people who compiled the four "*Anglo-Saxon Chronicles*" covering events in this island between roughly A.D. 900 and A.D. 1120. Looking out upon their dark world, as viewed from Canterbury and Winchester and Peterborough and Ripon, it no doubt looked pretty uncertain to those monks whether there would be anyone around in days to come who would read what they had so faithfully recorded.

But they did their best.

With minimal staff and resources, we too have tried our best, over thirty years, and, so far as our own country is concerned, have received plenty of brickbats for it — precious little else. *Fortunately the picture as regards our Overseas reader, up has long been a very different one, and we have enjoyed wide and enormous support and appreciation, and most especially in the United States and Canada.*

That many humans, in any near future, will be prepared to accept what it is that the UFO Phenomenon portends for us seems highly unlikely, and the actual number of copies of our magazines printed with each issue has never run to beyond a few thousands. So all we can do is to hope that, like those Anglo-Saxon Chronicles, as many copies as possible may survive throughout the radically changed times that are coming, and that maybe one day — possibly a day very far distant from now — there may be someone (*possibly humans of a new species?*) who will be able to see more clearly than we do today. If so, we shall have laboured to good purpose, and the efforts of this tiny group of dedicated individuals (*— three generations in one family — nay, even four! —*) will have been well rewarded indeed.

THE SORIA ABDUCTION: PART III (CONCLUSION)

Antonio Ribera

(Translation from Spanish)

Appendix A. The taking of the samples. (Hypnosis Session, October 1979.)

QUESTION: "What is happening?"

JULIO ANSWERS: "It's whistling." (As though all his energy has left him.)

Q. "Where's Mus at this moment?" (Pause. No reply from Julio at first. Then —)

A. (Distressed.) "I can't move. I can't move." (Some unintelligible phrases. Very disturbed.) "They've got hold of me."

Q. "How are they holding you?"

A. "By my shoulders. They are lifting me! Mus! Mus! Go for them! He's barking. He has bitten him!"

Q. "Whom has he bitten?"

A. "One of *them*" (Groaning.) "They've killed him!"

Q. "How can they have killed him?"

A. "Yes." (Actually the dog was not dead, but was in the same state as Julio.)

Q. "Whom did he bite?"

A. "The tallest one." (Breathing heavily.) "They are carrying me."

Q. "Where to?"

A. "I don't know." (Still disturbed.) "I can't move. I'm off the ground."

Q. "Are you levitating?"

A. "I don't know." (Breathing heavily as though under great stress.)

Q. "Are they setting you down?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "Have you got your eyes open or shut?"

A. "Open." (Pause) "I don't know what is happening to me."

Q. "Where are they taking you?"

A. "Down the ladder. I'm not touching the floor." (It does seem in fact that he is *floating*.) "I'm not touching anything. They are carrying me. I can't move." (Pause.)

Q. "Where are they taking you to?"

A. "To a door."

Q. "What's this door like?"

A. (Very faintly.) "I'm floating."

Q. "And what's inside the door?"

A. "Yes, it's opening. There's light. A sphere."

Q. "A sphere?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "But what about the room? What's it like? How is the ceiling?"

Q. "Smooth. Yes. Triangular."

Q. "And where is the sphere?"

A. "Inside. They are putting me in the sphere. There's lots of light." (Getting more nervous.) "I can't move."

Q. "Why? Are they holding you?"

A. "No. They are undressing me."

Q. "You are undressed?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "Have they removed your watch?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "And all your clothes?"

A. "My ring, my crucifix." (It seems they are removing all metallic objects.) "They are looking at me."

Q. "Who are looking at you?"

A. "He is."

Q. "How many people are there with you?"

A. "Five."

Q. "All men?"

A. "No."

Q. "There are women?"

A. "Yes. Two."

Q. "What's happening to you now?"

A. (Suddenly growing calm.) "I am quiet. Tranquil. Nothing's happening."

Q. "Listen! What are the women like? Describe them to me."

A. "Tall."

Q. "Have they also got projecting chins?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "How do you know that they are women?"

A. "They have breasts and hips."

Q. "What are their heads like?"

A. "Big. Rounded."

Q. "What are their hands like?"

A. "They have gloves. The hands are very long."

Q. "What is happening now?"

A. "They are looking at me. I can't move."

Q. "Are they outside the sphere or inside it?"

A. "Outside." (Pause.) "I can't move!" (Disturbed again.) "A sphere!"

Q. "Another sphere?"

A. "Yes, a small one, of metal."

Q. "Where is this sphere?"

A. "In front of me." (Alarmed.) "It's moving. It's moving." (Pause. He calms down again.) "They are looking at me. Tranquil. Nothing happening."

Wires sticking out." (Terrified.) "They're coming towards me!"

Q. "Are you lying down?"

A. "No."

Q. "Standing up?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "And your hands — how are they?"

A. "Up."

Q. "Are they tied with something?"

A. "No."

Q. "Well then, why have you got them up?"

A. "I can't move." (Grumbling.) "I'm not touching the floor." (He seems to be floating still.) (Fearful.) "They are putting the wires into my mouth, into my nose..."

Q. "But you said before that you were in a sphere..."

A. "Yes."

Q. "What is the sphere like?"

A. "Glass. Strong."

Q. "Look at the floor. What is it like?"

A. "The floor... a grating... flat."

Q. "Then you can see something below it?"

A. "Yes. Lots of light." (Very disturbed.) "I want to get away."

Q. "Why do you want to get away?"

A. (Grumbling.) "I can't move."

Q. "But if you were getting on very well with them?"...

A. "I'm afraid. There's a sphere in front of me." (Very frightened.)

Q. "How are you now? Are you suspended?"

A. "No. It's there." (Perplexed.) "Nothing's holding it. It's still." (Terrified.) "It's moving! It's moving! There's a wire coming out! Two wires!"

Q. "But what sort of wires? Plastic?"

A. (Almost unintelligible.) "I don't know. They are fine... coloured."

Q. "And where do these wires lead to?"

A. (Almost asleep, voice very weak.) "One... (pause)... in my mouth" ... (pause) "two..."

Q. "Two in your mouth?"

A. "Yes. One is in the throat. I felt it as it went in."

Q. "But didn't you say there are two of them?"

A. "The other has remained, under my tongue." (His voice sounds very weak.) "It's tickling me..."

Q. "It's tickling?"...

A. "In my ear."

Q. "In your ear?"

A. "Another one."

Q. "Didn't you say there were two?"

A. "There are lots of them..." (pause) "Coloured wires. Floating about on their own."

Q. "Listen. Close your mouth!"

A. "I can't. I can't move. They are looking at me..." (It seems that they have taken over control of his will.) (Pause.) "Another wire... in my eye... it hurts..." (Terrified. His voice now almost a hiss.) "My penis... no, my penis. There are two in

there." (He sounds as though in great pain.) "It hurts!"

Q. "It hurts?"

A. "My penis... the urethra." (Groans again in pain.) "There are two in there!"

Q. "What? ... Two?"

Q. "I'm full of wires. Full of them." (Sounds now as though dropping off into a lethargic sleep.) "I can't shut my eyes." (Powerful reactions.) "Another one in the anus... It's going in... going into my anus..."

Q. "The anus?"

A. "Yes. All of them in. All of them in me..."

Q. "Still hurting?"

A. "No. But I'm aware of them."

Q. "And what are the men doing?"

A. "Watching me. I can't shut my eyes..." (in a whisper) "ah, now... they're coming out!"

Q. "What are coming out?"

A. "The wires are coming out."

Q. "You say the wires are coming out..."

A. (As if in pain.) "Yes. Yes."

Q. "Is it hurting now?"

A. "Yes. The urethra. Inside." (Groans as though in pain.) "Yes... already..." (His breathing shows he is calmer now.) "Yes... it's already out." (With relief.)

Q. "Do you feel easier now?"

A. (Voice now very relaxed.) "Yes."

Q. "Don't you ask them any questions?"

A. "No." (Sleeping.) "I want to leave... I want to leave" ... (pause) ... "Now I'm going out..."

Q. "Going out of where?"

A. "Of there."

Q. "But, on your own feet..."

A. "Yes."

Q. "And how do you feel?"

A. (Addressing the "others".) "And Mus? Mus?" (pause) ... "He's all right."

Q. "Can you see Mus?"

A. "No. But I know he's all right. They have done the same things to him as to me."

Q. "How do you know that?"

A. "They tell me so... now we are leaving there."

Q. "But leaving where? From the room?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "What have they done to you? Have you asked them what they have done to you?"

A. "Yes. They've told me."

Q. "When?"

A. "While the wires were going in."

Q. "What was it that they have done to you?"

A. "They have extracted liquids from me."

Q. "What sort of liquids?"

A. "Saliva, gastric juices, intestinal..."

Q. "And what else?"

A. "Tears, semen..."

Q. "Semen?"...

A. "Yes. And urine . . ." (pause) . . . "And they pricked me . . ."

Q. "But you hadn't said anything about being pricked?"

A. "I didn't feel it."

Q. "Where did they prick you?"

A. "In the back."

Q. "And what did they extract from you?"

A. "They are telling me . . . liquid . . . (unintelligible) . . . 'spinal fluid'."

Q. "Cephalorachitic fluid?"

A. "Yes. From my back." (Pause.) "Blood."

Q. "Blood?"

A. "Yes. Synovia . . ."

Q. "And where did they extract the synovia from you?"

A. "From my knee, and blood . . . from my ear."

Q. "But you haven't said anything about the ear."

A. "I didn't feel it."

Q. "Was it those wires?" (According to Julio, who later started to remember, there was a third woman, who was with him, inside the transparent sphere, and who, almost certainly, was the one who had the job of performing these extractions.) "Look! Did you see anything on the ends of the wires?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "What?"

A. "Like a very small, golden thimble."

Q. "How do you feel now?"

A. "Easy . . . nothing happening."

Q. "Where are you now?"

A. "In the corridor. On the ladder." (Pause) "I can't go up,"

Q. "Can't?"

A. "No."

Q. "You are too weak? . . ."

Q. "(Unintelligible.)"

Q. "Are you in control of your own movements?"

A. "They are controlling me."

Q. "Are they hypnotizing you?"

A. "They have taken over."

Q. "They have taken over control of you?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "If you can't move, how is it then that you are going from place to place?"

A. "They are taking me."

Q. "Taking you?"

A. "Yes."

Q. "Well look, what about Mus?"

A. "He's all right, they tell me."

Q. "Where are you going to?"

A. "(In a tired voice) 'I'm going up . . . the ladder.'"

Q. "Going up it on your own?"

A. "No."

Q. "Then, how are you doing it?"

A. "They are taking me up."

Q. "Ah — they are taking you up?"

A. "I'm not touching anything . . ."

Q. "Is one of them going up with you? Have they got hold of you by the shoulders?"

Q. "No . . . I'm going up." (Seems asleep) . . . "I am weightless."

Q. "Weightless?"

A. "Yes . . . weightless." (He is probably being levitated . . . quieter now) . . . "There's Mus over there!"

Q. "Where are you now?"

A. "Upstairs."

Q. "Upstairs?"

A. "Yes, in the room."

Q. "Are you lying down?"

A. "No. Standing. I'm not touching the ground."

Q. "(Voice very thin.)"

A. "And is Mus there?"

A. "Yes. On a chair."

Q. "What are they doing to you now?"

A. "They are making me sit down."

Q. "Where?"

A. "At the same table as before." (Pause) . . . "Now I can move again."

APPENDIX B. SOME ANATOMICAL AND MORPHOLOGICAL CONCLUSIONS FROM THE CASE OF JULIO F — , BY DR. MARÍA TERESA PÉREZ ÁLVAREZ

Like "Future Man"

The people described by Julio differ from *Homo Sapiens* no more than the latter differs from his *Cromagnon* predecessor, that is to say: they are anthropomorphic and indeed almost totally human. In a curious fashion their appearance coincides with the features of "Future Man" as he has been represented theoretically by anatomists and anthropologists: a more developed cranium, a resultant increase in the size of the ocular region, the total loss of the hair and of its derivations, together with the specialization shown in the development of the hands and the lengthening of the fingers for functional reasons. Some folk visualize *Future Man* as a weak, feeble creature, with no more musculature than a ten-year-old child, but this can only be accepted from a merely theoretical point of view, because man's food supply (getting steadily richer), as well as sport, are at present actually causing the new generations to be taller and stronger.

The Chin

The great development of the chin seems quite logical. If we scan the portrait gallery of our own ancestors, we shall discover that the chin is in fact a relatively recent addition; even in *Neanderthal Man* heavy

jaws were still the pronounced feature, and the chin was small. It is necessary to await the arrival of *Cromagnon Man* upon the scene before we can speak of real chins. Consequently, the chin seems to be an anatomical feature that is tending towards further development.

If we trace a vertical line passing between the two dental alveoles of the lower incisors, we will have delineated what we might term the development zone of the chin. All chins projecting beyond this line correspond to modern, evolved races of men, while those remaining behind it represent anthropoidal forms or ancestors of *Homo Sapiens*. As the sketches show, the chin described by Julio is far more prominent than the chin of present-day humans, and this indicates further evolution. The chin appears in fact to have a relationship with man's erect posture, and its development, it seems, helps to confer on him his sense of *directionality*. In the present case of Julio's entities, it could be, as it were, a sort of counter-balance, to offset the tremendous volume of the cranium, although this of course is only a hypothesis.

Another interesting aspect relates to the sharpness of the chin. In Anthropology, the synphysical angle, or angle formed by the two branches of the lower jaw, gives us the degree of evolution of a race. Thus, in the present-day European race, it is an acute angle, whereas in certain African peoples it is almost a right-angle. This shows that the more acute this angle is, the more evolved will be the individual. Well now, according to Julio, the beings encountered by him at Medinaceli had intensely pointed chins, so this again suggests that they could be very highly evolved.

"Anatomical Coherence"

In our study of this material, there are two things that we find extremely surprising: one is the anatomical coherence, the anatomical "unity" of the individuals described. The other is the correspondence between Julio's own account and the morphological characteristics of the entities. Thus, for example, Julio speaks of powerful shoulders and powerful shoulder-blades — something that would be very logical if they are going to have to support crania of large dimensions. Another point: Julio mentions that the pupils of their eyes looked very dilated, which would indicate a habitat where the light is soft and mellow, or simply does not hurt the eyes, and this fits in again with the reported absence of any eyelashes, the function of which is to serve as shades or awnings, and it fits in too with the low amount of pigmentation in the iris, and also with the parchment-like colour of the skin. Corresponding with this, let us bear in mind that the light prevailing inside the craft, although intensely white; was very soft, so much so that when Julio emerged from the craft later he felt dazzled by the light of the Sun.

From An "Artificial Climate"?

A third set of coincidental facts are these: the absence of eyebrows, which in turn presupposes the absence of sweat and the absence of a scalp, inasmuch as the function of eyebrows is to intercept foreign bodies dropping down from the hair and from the forehead. Here once again, all Julio's statements are entirely coherent, because he states that in his opinion those people did not perspire and that they had no hair under their balaclavas. (NOTE: This absence of eyebrows and eyelashes could, by deduction, consequently be taken to indicate that these beings live either in an artificial medium or in a place where no contamination or winds or climatic changes exist.) And, last of all, the unusual length of the fingers ("pianists' fingers", or "spider's fingers", as Julio said) — this fits in completely with the archetypes that people have drawn up to represent the "*Man of the Future*", who will have very developed fingers, and whose hand will have undergone a veritable specialization as a result of pushing buttons. And that indeed is precisely what Julio describes in his account, when he said to us: "*Those folk manipulated push-buttons and levers at a staggering speed, the fastest typist in the world couldn't do it like them!*" And there is more to it than merely that. For his words hint at a considerable anatomical differentiation in them. As he put it: "Starting from the wrists, their hands looked different. The hands did not look as though they corresponded to the rest of the body. They were long, extremely long, bony, and delicate. The thought came to me that they had never done any physical work."

To sum up then: the morphology of the entities is eminently suited for human specimens that have either descended from Homo Sapiens or that, developing earlier, have followed a parallel evolutionary path to that taken by our humanity. We come now to a few theoretical considerations concerning cephalic indices and cranial capacities:-

CRANIAL INDEX: This is obtained by means of the following formulas:-

$$I.C = \text{width of cranium} = 100 / \text{length of cranium.}$$

the "width of cranium" here being the maximum interparietal transverse diameter, and the "length of cranium" being the distance from the *glabella* (the central and most prominent point on the brow ridges) to the *inion* (external occipital protuberance.) A cephalic index of 84 means that the width of the head is 84% of its length. According to R. Martin (*Lehrbuch der Anthropologie*, Stuttgart, 1958, G.C.) the human cephalic index varies between 81 and 84.5, and on the basis of these figures we can speak of brachycephalic (rounded) crania, pertaining to highly evolved individuals, while primitives would have dolicocephalic or recessive crania, with a lesser interparietal diameter.

According to this, and applying the corresponding mensurations, we would obtain the following result for the beings described by Julio F — :-

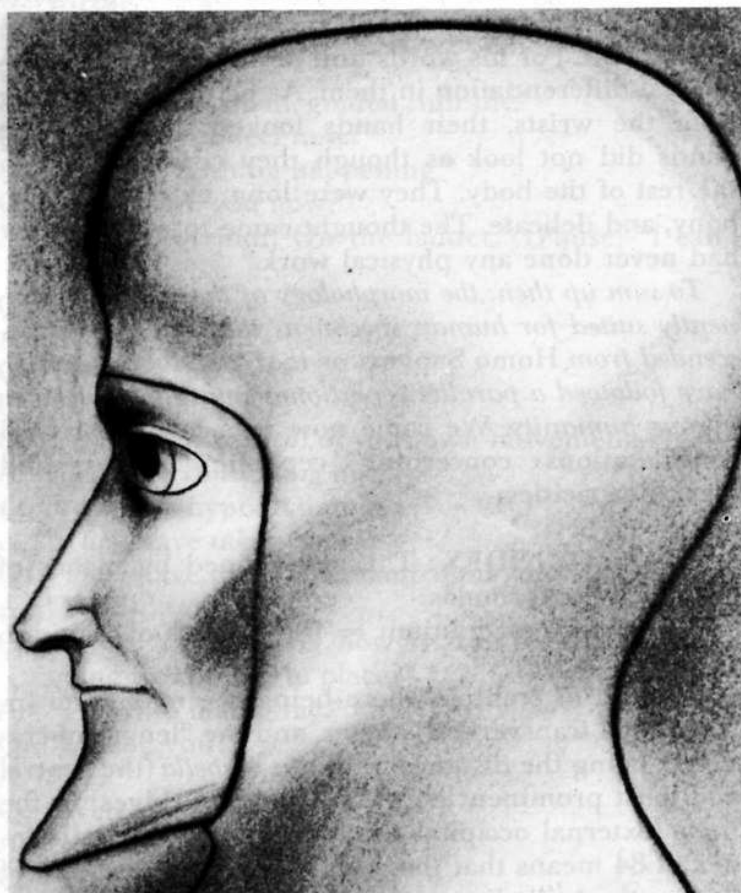
I.C. = $30 \text{ cms} \times 100 / 30 \text{ cms.} = 100\%$. That is to say, a state of absolute brachycephaly, the width of the cranium being completely equal to its length, which indicates individuals that are evolutionally very highly developed.

CEREBRAL CAPACITY *Manouvrier's Index* = $\text{cranial length} \times \text{cranial width} \times \text{basilo-bregmatic height} / 2 / 1.14$ (if it is a masculine cranium.) Error 100 cc.

Applying these measurements, $30 \text{ cms} \times 30 \text{ cms.} \times 27 \text{ cms.} / 2 / 1.14 = 10,657 \text{ cc.}$ — THAT IS TO SAY, MORE THAN FIVE TIMES THE CRANIAL CAPACITY OF OUR MANKIND (the ordinary index of the latter is between 1,450 and 1,950 cc.)

A second area of error is also possible, as the frontal sinuses could be larger than ours, but this would only reduce their cranial capacity by an insignificant amount.

N.B. Such a large cephalic index is no cause for surprise, since only a small increase in the linear measurements produces a great increase in the volume.



Profile.

Brain Utilization

If the ordinary human uses, at maximum, one-tenth of his brain, this means an average of 195 cc., whereas THEY would be using 30% of theirs (more information on this in a second volume), namely not less than 3,196

cc., or almost twice the total mass of our whole brain and sixteen times the part of our brain that we do use.

N.B. This latter figure is a minimal one. According to later data (information which will be given in a third volume on the case of Julio F —) they could even be using as much as 65% of their brains (6,297 cc.), i.e., four times the total mass of our brain and 32 times the part of our brain that we actually use.

CONCLUSIONS ON THE CASE OF JULIO F — ANTONIO RIBERA

Possibly — and I dare even to omit the word “possibly” — this case of Julio is one of the abduction cases that have yielded the most information so far. And this has been, primarily, due to the marked desire of Julio himself to collaborate fully, and also to his mental faculties and his skill in explaining and synthesizing. Although he certainly corresponds to the pattern of what, as we have already noted, one would call “a good, simple man”, that does not mean that his intelligence is not above the average. There is no need to confuse “simple” with “stupid”. These are very different indeed.

Personally, I was greatly impressed by my talks with Julio. The conversations with him left me feeling enriched. His clear blue eyes, his direct, frank look were impressive. The way in which he eyes you is something quite unusual. His gaze leaves you feeling as it were naked and defenceless. You know that you cannot lie, because the owner of those eyes does not lie. More than that — he detests lies.

Has he been specially chosen? Once again it is the same old questions: “WHY?” “FOR WHAT PURPOSE?” “BY WHOM?”

One day, when Julio was doing some of his “radio transmission” (that is to say, he was acting passively, in a hypnotic trance, simply as a sender and receiver) someone put the question to his “Friends”: Why was it that they did not seek out eminent scientists of our world with whom to establish these strange relations? The reply was that the greatest of our scientists does not come up to the level of the soles of the boots (or shoes or whatever they wear) of THEIR most modest technicians. And he went on to say that what they are seeking in us is OUR HUMANITY — those warm human qualities which they have evidently been losing throughout the course of the centuries of a harsh and difficult self-imposed evolution, in a cold and hostile environment.

In us they see — and they admire — what they had centuries ago and what they have now irremediably lost over the broad highways of Time and Space. Today, they are superb biological machines, frigid and perfect, but robotized, retaining merely an archaic sense of humour as a relic of their lost humanity... that humanity that they find again in us. That is why they are not interested in our scientists — from whom they would learn nothing!

But we are now approaching a forbidden terrain. I

am deterred by my own basic sense of honour from betraying Julio, who has begged me not to reveal certain aspects of the life of his cosmic friends which these latter do not wish to have known . . . at any rate not for the present.

One thing I can however say, and that is that they find conversation with us fascinating. Sometimes it is we, the terrestrial questioners, we who are conversing with them through the medium of Julio the "radio receiver and transmitter" — it is we who have to terminate our long discussions (in which we have even gone so far as to exchange jokes with one another!). And never do they attempt to impose their superiority upon us, despite its complete evidentiality. When anyone mentions it, they just confine themselves to saying: "*We are different. That's all!*"

Beings with 10,000 cc. of brain! Some difference!

However, there is one thing that they have revealed, and which I think I can mention here, and this is that they are not our only visitors. THERE ARE OTHERS. Not as tall as they are. And not with their lofty ethical concepts. OTHERS, who are engaged in probing and "programming" the minds of those humans whom they have contacted or kidnapped. Herbert Schirmer had the bad luck to meet some of them. And others too have had this misfortune. They are the SERPENT PEOPLE. And relations between the two groups of visitors are not precisely of the best. That too I can say.

But why are they coming here?

And now for the question — why are they all coming to the Earth, this minuscule speck of cosmic dust lost in a remote corner of the Galaxy?

"Your world is marvellous!" they said once to Julio. "Its biological richness is unbelievable! There are very few worlds like it. We ourselves don't know of a single other one like it. It is a veritable mine, a well nigh inexhaustible mine of many of the things that we need, and that we do not have: WATER for one. Unfortunately you yourselves have already begun the process of destruction of this world. It is a story that has been repeated on many other occasions: it happened in our own world once, centuries ago."

(Attention please! Here the voice of experience is speaking. Would it not be worth our while to listen?)

To terminate then, and in conclusion of all we have set forth in this book, we might say that the higher grade Galactic Civilizations, who seem to be carrying out (and indeed, for many years past, have been engaged in carrying out) this exercise which we might term "*Operation Earth*" — which, by the way, does not necessarily have *Homo Sapiens* as its objective — these Higher Civilizations, I say, possess a technology commensurate with their superiority, compared with which our terrestrial technology is still at a very primitive stage.

But (and this is perhaps what is most important), together with these technological achievements which to us seem to be pure magic (to quote again the well-known phrase of Arthur C. Clarke: "*Any technology superior to our own would be indistinguishable from magic*") they also possess an impressive mastery in the realm of the mind and of what we here on this planet still call "*paranormal faculties*", "ESP", or "PSI". What we don't realize is that for the other great civilizations of our Galaxy these are "*normal faculties*". (Just as they will be for us, one day). In many of these Galactic Civilizations mental communication or telepathy has long ago replaced oral communication; hypnosis is a regularly employed technique for implanting ideas or orders, and even for erasing traumatic experiences. All this is marvellous, but it is at the same time terrible. For it puts us in the position, when we are face to face with them, of defenceless guinea-pigs beneath the cold gaze of the investigator.

If the investigator is good, O.K., we are safe. But if he isn't . . . then may God Almighty have mercy on our souls! And if there are both "*goodies*" and "*baddies*" (as in the old style Western movies) then let us only hope that the "*goodies*" will win.

But maybe there are no "*goodies*", and no "*baddies*"? Maybe they are just "*different*"? Our particular concepts of what is good and what is bad might well be ridiculous and petty when viewed on the cosmic scale . . .

The American investigator Alvin H. Lawson says that it is possible to induce imaginary abductions in the minds of ordinary normal human beings, and that these "abductions", while displaying certain differences — are nevertheless very similar to "real" abductions. We agree. We are beginning to learn how to manipulate the mind — that immense *data-bank* containing virtually everything.

"Nevertheless", says Lawson himself in his study, "*Despite the many similarities, there are some crucial differences, such as, for example, the alleged physical effects, and also the multiple witnesses, which seem to postulate that the kidnappings by UFO entities are something apart from and something distinct from the imaginary and hallucinatory experiences.*" (Re-translated into English from Spanish. Translator's note.)

I particularly wanted to end this book with a quotation from Lawson, because he is the first person always quoted by these young scientists of ours who are so desperately anxious to maintain their status as serious and sober types whenever they find themselves confronted with this impressive phenomenon of abduction — unquestionably the most extraordinary and the most revealing feature in this whole business of Ufology. Yes, indeed. The human mind is capable of imagining *anything*. Including imagining an abduction. *But that does not mean to say — not by a long shot — that the UFO abductions are not real events.*

Very, very discreetly, someone is watching us. From time to time (and lately it seems more and more frequently: the known cases of UFO abduction already total several hundreds) someone temporarily kidnaps one of our fellow-men (selected, it seems, within a quite narrow spectrum of characteristic features) and is doing this for purposes which at present elude our comprehension.

One day, somewhere, we shall no doubt know the incredible truth. One day — such is my hope — we shall cease to be “abductees” and begin to be “friends”. Or, better still, “brothers” in the Cosmos.

Let us hope so.

JANE THOMAS (MARÍA-ÁNGELA THOMAS GUMA)

THERE is a glaring lack of female names on FSR's mast-head (a situation which we are rectifying) so it gives me a quite special pleasure to be able to report that our old (only figuratively!) and faithful friend Jane Thomas is joining us as our Correspondent for Spanish America.

According to my files, this charming daughter of Argentina first wrote to me on November 22, 1972, and she has been sending us a mass of material ever since and must have spent a fortune on us in postage alone, not to mention the matter of her time. She is a highly-experienced “radio-ham” of long-standing (LU6 DSM) and until last year she was on the Board of Directors of FAECE (1977) in Argentina, of which she was one of the founders.

Although she has never seen England, maybe she is right in feeling that, long, long ago, in the days of King Arthur, she might have lived here, for certainly her knowledge of and interest in the history of those times are remarkable.

With some French ancestry and also some German ancestry, she knows French, German, and Italian. Besides sending us reports in her native Spanish, she also writes and speaks faultless English and faultless German, to my knowledge, and can maintain a superb correspondence in either “Spanglish” or “Belgrano-Deutsch”, which is a weird and truly wonderfully expressive language born in the smart Buenos Aires suburb of Belgrano where so many of the German-Argentinians reside.

In March 1984 she was married to another radio-ham, the American Harold Guma (KA6 NRY), also born in Argentina, and, needless to say, met by her via the courtesy of the circumambient ethers. We wish for them a long and happy life together! They are now living in the Simi Valley, California, and, beside reporting for us, Jane will of course continue to collaborate closely with MUFON also.

G.C.

“YOU CAN BET ON IT!”

John D. Llewellyn

At the beginning of this year an interesting item in the *Daily Express* caught my eye. It mentioned that the famous British bookmaking and betting firm of LADBROKES were accepting bets against the landing of an alien being on the Earth, and the odds offered by them (250-1) struck me forcibly as maybe indicating that Ladbrokes might “know a thing or two”, and might even be well aware of some of our classic cases. *For otherwise the odds ought surely to have been 25,000-1, if not more!*

So, out of curiosity, I wrote to them about it, and I give here a photostatic copy of their reply, dated January 24, 1985:—

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24th January 1985

Mr J D Llewellyn
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Dear Mr Llewellyn

Thank you for your letter of 17th January 1985.

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The definition of Alien is:-

A being able to communicate orally and by writing and capable of reproduction.

Should you wish to place a wager just take this letter together with your wager to your local Ladbrokes shop and they will be pleased to accept the bet.

Yours sincerely

Patricia Pratt

RON POLLARD

Director

COMMENT BY EDITOR, FSR

Yes, it could be that Ladbrokes “know a thing or two”, and that they are perfectly safe! For their definition of “An Alien”, be it noted, is “a being... capable of reproduction”.

Readers will recall, however, that the evidence so far adduced by Leonard Stringfield (see page 50 of his Third Report, *UFO CRASH/RETRIEVALS: AMASSING THE EVIDENCE: STATUS REPORT III*, published June 1982) indicates that the dead critters kept in pickle by the U.S. Government at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, and one or two other places (and numbering at least 61 corpses according to his List) *may very likely all be clones, for they seemed to possess no reproductive organs!*

Incidentally, for the benefit of new readers, we might mention that we have already published in FSR the entire texts of Mr Stringfield's first two great reports, and that we shall shortly be preparing to reproduce also the whole of this *STATUS REPORT III: UFO CRASH/RETRIEVALS: AMASSING THE EVIDENCE*, for the benefit of our British and overseas readers who may not yet have had an opportunity to read it.

SINISTER ROT?

M^R Bob Guccione's plush American magazine *OMNI*, whose panel of contributing experts regularly includes Mr. James Oberg, Flight-Controller for NASA at their Mission Control Center in Houston, Texas, has not hitherto been notable for any great partiality towards the possible existence of UFOs or their occupants.

Mr. Oberg in particular, well known for his books and articles, is rightly regarded today (and no doubt regards himself) as the unquestioned inheritor of the late Dr. Donald Menzel's mantle and title of "UFO Debunker-In-Chief" — and that, in these days, is a crucially important role indeed, since so much is at stake.

In some quarters it seems to be thought that Mr. Oberg claims to have personally investigated all the reliable "hard core" cases of alleged close encounters with alien entities (in an article in *Science Digest* a couple of years ago Dr. Hynek estimated them to number 1,500 *at the minimum*), but those who listened to the London Broadcasting Company's Transatlantic hook-up on UFOs on the night of Tuesday, July 13, 1982, may recall that in that programme Mr. Oberg made the peculiar admission that, although it was totally certain that UFOs do not exist, *he had in fact not personally investigated a single one of these cases!* He then went on to say that "other groups in the USA, including Dr. Hynek's Center for UFO Studies, are doing that quite effectively".(!)

When I mentioned in the course of the same *LBC* programme that, in January 1974, on the French Radio, the French Defence Minister, Monsieur Robert Galley, had admitted that UFOs exist and that his Government had had a department secretly studying them for years past, and when I also mentioned that,

on March 10, 1982, on *BBC-2 Television*, Admiral The Lord Hill-Norton, former First Sea-Lord, and former Chief of the British Defence Staff, had stated flatly that there is a high-level governmental cover-up on UFOs, Mr. Oberg and British journalist Ian Ridpath were careful not to utter a word of comment. They then dismissed the French astronomer Dr. Pierre Guérin as of no consequence whatsoever, but were again careful to make no comment when the name of Dr. Hynek was mentioned (apart from the strange remark by Mr. Oberg, already noted, that UFO close encounter reports were being effectively investigated "by other groups in this country including Dr. Hynek's Center For UFO Studies"!).

The Hynek Interview and The Vancouver Photograph

Despite Mr. Oberg, there have been several other disturbing indications of late of this strange sort of "saucer rot" that appears to be attacking *OMNI*. Firstly, for example, there was the extremely well presented interview with Dr. Hynek in their issue for February 1985, in which Pamela Weintraub, one of their most Senior Editors, gave what is unquestionably the best account that we have ever seen of the argument for the existence of UFOs, and of Dr. Hynek's own position and conclusions regarding our subject. Nothing could have been dealt with more objectively and fairly and scrupulously, and Dr. Hynek was even permitted to make it perfectly clear to the reader that *the UFO Phenomenon cannot be reconciled in any way with mankind's prevailing scientific paradigms*.

The interview also gave splendid coverage to Dr. Hynek's recent triumph in securing the backing of a very wealthy anonymous sponsor, who is now funding the establishment for him of a new UFO Research Facility in or near Phoenix, Arizona. (In our Editorial to FSR Volume 30, No. 4, we have already expressed to Dr. Hynek our congratulations on "hitting the jackpot".)

Finally, there is the disturbing matter of the Vancouver UFO Photograph, published by us in FSR Volume 29 No. 2 (1983) and Volume 29, No. 4 (1984). The issue of *OMNI* for March 1985 has an excellent and objective account of the history of Mrs. Hannah McRoberts' photograph of the mountain above which, after development, the UFO was noticed, as described by writer Edward Regis Jr. The article includes a good reproduction of the photograph, and details of Dr. Richard Haines' lengthy investigation and study of the case (reported by us in FSR Volume 29, No. 4).

"Clear Intent"

In view of the appearance of the book "*Clear Intent*", which is bound to have been profoundly disconcerting in many quarters, I wrote on April 3 of this

year to Mr. Oberg about it. I am well aware that he thinks FSR has not devoted enough space to his studies of Soviet missile-firings from secret launching areas, and to the ensuing attempts of Soviet officialdom to let them all be advertised as "UFO sightings". All of which is indeed most laudable and most important work on Mr. Oberg's part, but as I have tried to point out to him it is difficult to see what bearing Soviet missile-launchings have on our subject. (*I can well understand, however, that pages devoted to such reports in FSR would prevent plenty of UFO reports from seeing the light!*).

So I invited Mr. Oberg to write specially for FSR a *magnum opus*, which would deliver the *coup-de-grâce* to CAUS, and to "CLEAR INTENT", and shoot down this book and shred it to bits, and finish off FSR too! *I offered to place an entire FSR SPECIAL ISSUE at his disposal for this. It would contain nothing but Oberg. It would be our "swan-song", and we would then proceed to pack up FSR straight away, after this MAGNIFICENT SPECIAL ARTICLE FROM JAMES OBERG*

shooting Fawcett and Greenwood to smithereens. I would guarantee that.

To my great regret, I have now received Mr. Oberg's reply which reads as follows:—

"Sorry, Gordon, I don't really care what people think about abductions and stashed, crashed saucers. Anybody who believes such garbage, in my opinion, deserves to. And I don't care. I've strayed too far from Space topics, my speciality, and expended too much energy, time, and money. Thanks, anyway, I appreciate the spirit in which the offer was made".
Jim O.

Here again — do we detect the "rot"? Is he getting too tired? Is he getting too old? Where is that erstwhile crusading spirit, ready to do battle with legions of "mental dwarfs"?

In his reply he does not even mention "CLEAR INTENT".

G.C.

THE MALAYSIAN UFO SCENE: A FURTHER REPORT

Ahmad Jamaludin

This article is a digest of two, written by Ahmad Jamaludin in 1980, which were mislaid as a result of the illness of Charles Bowen, and only turned up again recently in our very large back-log. — Editor

No country in the world seems to lack manifestations of the UFO Phenomenon. Malaysia, situated geographically in the heart of South-East Asia, has its share too of this baffling and controversial mystery.

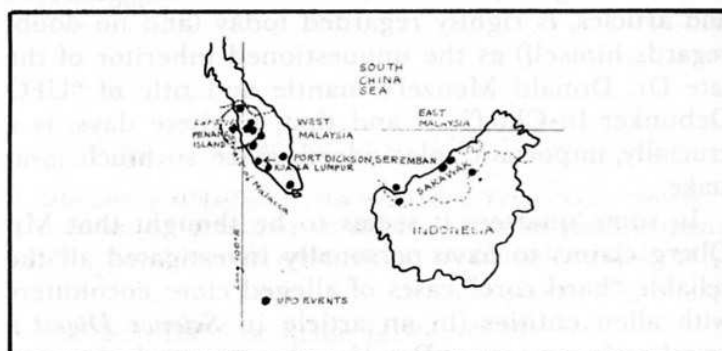
One of the earliest recorded events in this region that could probably be related to the Phenomenon was an incident in the Straits of Malacca which involved the Danish vessel *Bintang*¹. On June 10, 1909, the Captain of this ship and his crew observed several unusual lights moving through the water of the Straits between Sumatra and the Malay Peninsula.

Review of UFO events

I present here some more of the sample cases selected from reports from both Eastern and Western Malaysia. These should be compared with the accounts of certain cases which I have already given in my last article, *A Wave of Small Humanoids in Malaysia in 1970* (FSR 28/5), and in my earlier articles.

1. BAU, SARAWAK (EAST MALAYSIA), Early 1950s.

This event took place in an isolated area in the hilly



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country known at that time as British North Borneo. The witness, an illiterate housewife, observed a disc-shaped object described by her as "as big as a house", emerging from behind some trees and flying silently over the valley. The object was dark in colour, and had what appeared to be port-holes, with the interior brightly lit. Beside the dome surmounting the top of the UFO there was a protrusion resembling an aerial. Beneath the UFO there were three protrusions which she described as "like anchors". The outer rim of the object was rotating.

2. PORT DICKSON, SEREMBAN. Early 1950s.

At 11.00 a.m. one fine morning, a platoon of soldiers and their British instructor sighted a silver-coloured, disc-shaped domed object flying quite low over trees. It was travelling tilted at an angle, and emitting a high-pitched sound. The soldiers' morse-code signalling apparatus ceased to function during the few minutes that the UFO was in sight.

3. PENANG ISLAND, January 1967.

A lawyer and his accountant sighted an object hovering silently over the channel separating the island from the Mainland. Close examination through binoculars revealed a pancake-shaped object with a dome on top.

4. KAMPUNG PERTAMA, April 1979.

A UFO, elliptical in shape and sparkling like a star, landed one night in the rice-field of a village, and about twenty people gathered to watch it. As the UFO landed it was seen to get smaller and then to split into three smaller craft.

5. KULIM, May 1979.

A group of boys playing near a cattle-shed sighted a small object, less than two feet in diameter, gliding over the fields and emitting a strange sound. The UFO had three legs of its landing-gear extended, seemingly about to land, when one of the boys tried to touch it. An intense beam of light shot out from the rim of the craft and temporarily blinded the boys. They screamed for help, attracting the attention of two adults, who came rushing to the scene and also observed the UFO.

Meanwhile the cattle in the adjacent shed were intensely restless and were struggling to break away from the posts to which they were tied.

Encounters with tiny beings

As I mentioned in my last Report, the most interesting cases in Malaysia seem to involve tiny beings, of which there were more than a dozen reports between 1965 and 1979. Surprisingly, over 90% of the witnesses in these alleged cases were schoolchildren!

(I gave eight very representative cases in my last Report.) Because of the seemingly absurd nature of the stories about tiny creatures, most adult witnesses probably do not come forward to report their own encounters with such little beings. The children, in their innocence and guilelessness, made their reports and bore all the ridicule.

A "flap"

Generally speaking, UFO sighting reports in Malaysia are fairly few and far between. When sightings occur, they are usually in clusters. My last Report, *A Wave of Small Humanoids in Malaysia in 1970*, can now be expanded, for today it is known that in the month of August of that year the number of CEIII cases in Malaysia was an absolute record. The events started in the northern part of the Peninsula and then spread downwards through the central and southern States. This we can describe as without doubt the only true "wave" yet recorded in Malaysia, for, according to a count made by one newspaper, within a span of only three days, there were not less than 39 separate reports involving tiny UFOs, and no less than 31 reports in which tiny three-inch tall occupants were seen!

Photographic evidence from Malaysia

One of the few pieces of photographic evidence from Malaysia was taken on January 2, 1979, in the Malaysian "UFO hot zone" (circled on map) by a man serving in the Royal Australian Air Force. The photo shows a disc-shaped object, which the witness described as of "a glowing, bright orange colour". He said it had several port-holes around its edge. For an earlier photo from Malaysia see also "the Kuala Lumpur UFO" in FSR Vol. 15, No. 4 (July/August 1969).

Mysterious abductions

Inhabited as it is by peoples of three different stocks and cultures (Malays, Chinese, and Tamils) Malaysia is a land rich in religious and traditional features. Many people still cling to the older folk-lore and traditions, and one belief that is still adhered to by many individuals of the older generations concerns the question of mysterious abductions of humans by mysterious entities. (*Since actual Malaysian kidnappings, of humans by humans, scarcely total one in a year, it is understandable that we are not inclined in Malaysia to confuse these two completely different sets of phenomena.*)

Certainly it can be said that, at least up to the period just prior to World War II, in most cases in Malaysia in which an individual, whether adult or

child, was missing, the affair was immediately associated in the public mind with the idea of *abduction by "small" or even "tiny" entities*.

It was thought generally that the small beings responsible for this state of affairs could come and go without being detected, being visible only to their victims. The abductee was therefore always the sole witness. And he was not seen again to tell his story.

The father of one of my own acquaintances vanished mysteriously and was thought to have been a victim of these entities. His bicycle had been found lying beside a dirt road outside his village. He was never seen again. When consulted about it, the local 'bomoh' (witch-doctor or shaman or medicine-man) declared that the missing father was now resident "in a different world". The family accepted the fact and that was that. The case was closed. (Perhaps Fred Valentich in Australia has suffered the same fate?)

One thing that seems certain is that this pattern of popular beliefs in Malaysia is all of a piece with the UFO Phenomenon, and that abductions are an essential part of that phenomenon.

As already stated, the extraordinary thing is that in Malaysia there seem to be no records of any entities taller than six inches or so having been encountered.

Since the average Malaysian is somewhere in the 5 ft. plus category, one wonders how the tiny entities set about putting him into a UFO two foot wide!

There is, however, one strange American case on record which may have a bearing on this aspect of our problem. On September 15, 1978, at Carpentersville, Illinois, a secretary, awakened by a whirring noise, looked out through the window and saw the silhouetted form of a 6 ft. tall man clad in a silver suit, and, a few feet distant, she saw a small domed saucer sitting on the grass. The Police were called, but they found nothing at the site.²

One surprising aspect is that we have not found any mention of UFOs actually having been seen when these mysterious Malaysian abductions have taken place; in other words there is no connection in the popular mind between "UFOs" and "abductions". One reason for this may well be the fact that very few Malaysians know anything about UFOs. During my own travels around the country, I constantly ask people

whether there have been any UFO sightings in their area, and usually the person questioned stares back at me, not comprehending what I am talking about. But when I move on to the subject of small three-inch high beings, my informants quickly acknowledge that they have heard about *them*. So we have the clear impression that more is known about the entities than about their craft.

It is of course only since World War II, and since the famous Arnold sighting in the U.S.A. in 1947, that there has been talk of UFOs among the people of Malaysia. But it is obvious that, if the tradition of small beings can be definitely linked to the UFO Problem, then the prevalence of the small entities here in Malaysia goes back to far earlier times.

Conclusions

As stated, the salient feature of the Malaysian UFO scene is this high percentage of reports of encounters with tiny entities. *In fact we can say that humanoid encounters in Malaysia³ come in only two sizes — the three-inch entities (most often seen) and the six-inch entities. There has been no Malaysian report to date of any encounter with humanoids measuring more than six inches in height!*

Apart from this matter of heights, the general picture of the UFO Phenomenon in Malaysia is basically just the same as everywhere else.

While each of the several races who live in Malaysia has its own particular folkloric interpretation of the UFO Phenomenon, their reports — coming from individuals none of whom have any prior knowledge about the whole global UFO picture — nevertheless present us with basically the same pattern and the same phenomena as are found in other parts of the world.

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POSSIBLE "UFO" ACCOUNTS IN OLD CHINESE COUNTRY RECORDS?

Hung Liang

On several occasions in past years I have mentioned the abundance and antiquity of Chinese local records, and the probability that they might be found to contain accounts of "prodigies" and "strange sights in the sky" such as we already have in the writings of many Western annalists of Roman or mediaeval times. (For example, Julius Obsequens, and Lycosthenes, and Pliny the Elder). I therefore thought FSR readers might be interested to see the following article by the Chinese Ufologist Hung Liang, which I have translated from his text in the Chinese UFO Research Journal *Feidie Tansuo*¹, 1985, No. 1. Naturally, one can say nothing for certain about these old writings, any more than we can usually be sure what is meant by any of our own Roman or mediaeval items, since the language in both East and West was not what we call "scientific" today, and tended to be excessively vague. Especially is this so of the Chinese! — EDITOR

"FLYING SAUCER" ACCOUNTS IN LOCAL RECORDS OF SHAN-XI PROVINCE (NORTH-CENTRAL CHINA)

WHEN reading, by chance, through a number of issues of the SHAN-XI TONG-ZHI (SHAN-XI BULLETIN)² and some old country Annals, I found a number of entries which greatly resemble the reports of what nowadays folk call "flying saucers", this being the general term used for "unidentified flying objects." Were these truly from other planets? Were these strange things mentioned in the old books genuinely flying saucers? I cannot answer that for sure — it is merely a suspicion. So I have copied out these cases and send them to you herewith for your comments.

"Rising and Falling"

Accounts of "prodigies" or "falling stars", though of varying types, are frequent in the old records. An example is this:—

"On the twelfth day of the tenth moon of the Emperor Jia-Jing of the Ming Dynasty (A.D. 1528), a shooting star appeared over Tai-Yuan with a loud noise and lighting up the sky and then, having begun to fall, rose up again and entered the mouth of The Dipper (i.e. part of the Constellation URSA MAJOR. G.C.) and was visible until dawn, when it vanished." The statement in the first part of that entry, to the effect that it was a shooting star, is no explanation of its strangeness. Then it goes on to say "fell and then rose up again" and went right up into the head of the Seven Stars of the Dipper, which cannot fail to arrest our attention. Because litholites and meteorites — O.K. — they can fall down all right, but they can't "rise up again"!

Anything that can rise up again has absolutely got to have some sort of power that can resist the strength of the Earth's gravity. And one of the main features of flying saucers is their ability to operate with facility in any way they like.

Another case similar to this took place at Wu-tai in the fifth moon of the seventh year of the Ming Em-

peror Tian-Qi (A.D. 1627). "A great star came from the north and passed over the peak of Su-Tai Shan in horizontal flight, and making a noise."

Here the words "horizontal flight" are to be noted. Shooting stars have no power to travel in level flight over mountain peaks. To be able to travel in level flight, just as to be able to "fall and then rise up again", the star would have to possess some miraculous power of its own.

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山西方志中的 “飞碟”记载

洪亮

偶读《山西通志》和一些县志，发现有些记载颇象人们现在所说的飞碟。飞碟，不明飞行物的总称。它是否真的来自别的星球？或许，本文所引古书中那些怪物真的就是飞碟？这我都不敢肯定，仅是怀疑而已。特写出来，求教于方家。

怪哉，“坠而复起”

古书中多有“龙见”或“星陨”的记载，有些记载却不同一般。如“明嘉靖七年（1528）十月十二日，太原流星陨，光炫地有声，坠而复起，入斗口，至日出方灭。”看前半截，此条说的是陨星，不足为奇。接着说“坠而复起”，一直升到北斗七星的头部，就不能不引人注意了。因为无论陨石也好，陨铁也罢，都只能落下，不能“复起”，能“复起”者，非得有一种能挣脱地球引力、可自由飞行的力量不可。而飞碟的一个重要特点，便是飞行自

FULL TEXT OF RUSSIAN REPORT OF UFO SEEN BY AIRCRAFT CREWS ON TBILISI- ROSTOV-ROUTE

From newspaper TRUD, Moscow, Wednesday, January 30, 1985

(Translation from Russian: G.C.) (See Summary already given in FSR Vol. 30, No. 4: The Russians Again.)

AT 4.10 PRECISELY...

WE REPORT IN DETAIL

By V. Vostrukhin

Special Correspondent of *TRUD*

Flight No. 8352, TBILISI-ROSTOV-TALLIN, by aircraft TU-134A, was operated by an aircrew from the Estonian Administration of the USSR Ministry of Civil Aviation. The Flight-Captain: Pilot First Class Igor' Alekseevich Cherkashin. Trained at the Buguruslansk Flying School. Flying Time: 7,000 hours. The Second Pilot: Pilot First Class Gennadiy Ivanovich Lazurin. Trained at the Sasov Flying School and Order of Lenin Civil Aviation Academy. 4,500 flying hours. Navigation Officer Second Class: Egor Mikhailovich Ognev, graduate of the Order of Lenin Civil Aviation Academy, 3,500 flying hours. Air Mechanic: Gennadiy Mikailovich Kozlov, A.M. First Class, 12,500 flying hours.

At 4.10 am, there were still 120 more kilometres to Minsk. The aircraft did not seem to be flying, but just stationary there at the centre of the Universe. Not a crackle on the earphones. As luck would have it, they were all alone in the emptiness of Space, in a block of black glass with the stars as holes.

Glancing around his sector of the sky, the Second Pilot suddenly noticed, above them, to their right, a large star that was not twinkling. But yet not a star either. Rather a yellow blob, or the size of a 5-kopek coin, with its edges drawn out. "Like a small..." (one word illegible, G.C.), he said to himself quietly. "A light refraction in the atmosphere, or, again, something else..."

From the yellow blob there shot out a fine, slender shaft of light straight down towards the earth below. Then the Pilot nudged the Air Mechanic with his elbow: "Look, Mikhail, something..."

The Air Mechanic looked out and at once said: "Captain. We must report it".

But the beam of light suddenly vanished and changed into a vivid cone of light. From that moment onward, they all observed what was happening over on their starboard side. A second cone of light, wider but paler than the first, now appeared. And then a third, this one wide and intensely brilliant.

"Wait" — shrugged the Captain. "Report? Report what? We must observe first to see what else happens. Well, anyway... what can it be?"

As airmen, of all people, well understand, you can't judge distances by eye. Nevertheless, all four men got the same impression, namely that the unknown object was at a height of 40 to 50 kilometers above the Earth. The Second Pilot started to make a quick sketch of the

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Рейс № 8352 Тбилиси — Ростов — Таллин на «ТУ-134А» выполнял экипаж Эстонского управления гражданской авиации СССР. Командир воздушного судна — Игорь Алексеевич Черкашин. Окончил Бугурусланское летное училище, налетал 7.000 часов. Пилот 1-й категории — Геннадий Иванович Лазурин. Окончил Сасовское летное училище и ордена Ленина Академию гражданской авиации, налетал 4.500 часов. Пилот 2-й категории — Егор Михайлович Огнев, окончил Академию гражданской авиации, налетал 3.500 часов 2-го класса. Бортмеханик — Геннадий Михайлович Козлов, налетал 12.500 часов. Бортмеханик 1-го класса

remarkable sight. It sounds incredible, but down below, on the area of the Earth lit by the cone-shaped beam of light, everything — houses, roads — was totally and distinctly visible. What must be the power of that "searchlight"?!

The beam of the "searchlight" next rose from the ground and centred on the aircraft. Now they observed a blinding white point of light surrounded by concentric coloured circles. The Captain was still hesitant whether to report. But then came something that put an end to his doubts. The white spot blazed up, and in its place... four or five words illegible on photostat copy. G.C.)

"It's switched on its engines, and it's racing", said the Second Pilot, unconsciously equating the phenomenon into the realms of the habitual life of airmen.

And it seemed to the Captain that the object was

now approaching them at immense speed, and about to cross the aircraft's course at an acute angle.

Captain Cherkashin yelled to the Navigation Officer: "Transmit report!" But — a strange coincidence — after Ognev's first words, the object halted. It had now ceased to approach, as at least it seemed to the Captain, while the Second Pilot, on the other hand, thought it had stopped moving away.

The Minsk Air Traffic Controller received and noted the crew's report, and remarked politely that unfortunately he himself could see nothing, either on the radar screen or in the sky.

"There you are!", grumbled Second Pilot Lazurin. "They say we're nuts!"

But the green "cloud" suddenly dropped down to the height of their aircraft. Then it went straight up again, vertically, and began to swing from left to right, and then down again once more and up again. Then, finally, it took up position right by the aircraft. And it flew along behind them, as though linked to them, at an altitude of 10,000 metres and a speed of 800 km.p.h. "They're giving us a ceremonial escort", muttered the Captain. "Some honour for us!"

Inside the "cloud", they could see a "play of lights" flashing on and off, like a christmas-tree decoration, and then performing horizontal fiery zigzags. The Navigation Officer conscientiously went on reporting.

Then he heard, in reply, the voice of the Air Traffic Controller: "I see flashes on the horizon. Where do you see your cloud?"

The Navigation Officer told him.

"It fits" said the Air Traffic Controller.

The cloud continued to change. It developed a "tail", shaped like a waterspout, wide at the top and narrow below. They began to hear —?— (*zapyataya*). Then the "tail" started to rise against the horizon, and from elliptical the cloud changed its shape to square. "Look, said the Second Pilot, "It's mimicking us!" And, in fact, they were now being escorted by a sharp-nosed, wingless "cloud-aircraft" with a —?— tail (*s koshenym khvostom*.) It shone with a yellow and green glow. Where our aircraft have their nose, it seemed to have a solid ball.

The stewardess stepped into the cockpit and said: "The Passengers are interested to know what that is flying along beside us!" Captain Cherkashin took a deep breath and replied: "Tell them it's a cloud! Yellow clouds — lights of cities showing up from below! Green clouds — tell them it's the Aurora Borealis!"

Just at that time, another of our aircraft was passing through the Minsk Air Traffic Control Zone. This was also a TU-134 from Leningrad, flying the opposite route to the Tallin crew. The two aircraft were 100kms. apart. At that distance it is impossible to see a big stratocruiser.

When Cherkashin asked them, the other TU-134 replied that they could see nothing. The Minsk controller, who could now see the aircraft clearly, gave

the Leningrad crew the co-ordinates and direction in which they should be able to observe the phenomenon. But they saw absolutely nothing. And only when they were 15 kms. apart did they begin to see it. And they gave a precise description of the "cloud aeroplane".

Much later, Cherkashin's crew, trying to explain to themselves what they had seen, suggested that the light from the object was... (four or five words illegible G.C.) and did not shine in all directions.

As regards the "cloud aircraft", they contacted the Air Traffic Controllers at Riga and Vilno, who, first the one, then the other, picked up the strange "tandem" pair — the TU-134A and the "cloud aircraft".

As they passed over Lake Chud and Lake Pskov, Cherkashin's crew were able to make an estimate of the size of the "cloud aircraft". These two lakes, oblong in shape, are separated by a small sand-bar. The TU-134A was flying at a distance of 120 kms. to the left of the lakes. And the "cloud aircraft" was flying to the right of them, in the vicinity of Tartu. From the area of the craft where, as it seemed to them, there was what looked like a "solid ball", a beam of light shot out again. The patch of light struck on to a cloud, and then moved down towards the ground. Thus, by mere chance, the object had revealed to them its own dimensions. It was now possible to assess its length as being equal to the length of Lake Pskov.*

Meanwhile, the two companions — the aircraft and the "cloud aircraft", continued on their way together right to Tallin in Estonia.

After the crew had touched down at Tallin, the Air Traffic Controller there gave them these curious details: On the Tallin radarscope at the Airport, the TU-134A was not the only thing seen. Though there was only the *one* aircraft, yet on the radarscope, right behind the blob of the aircraft, there were two other moving blobs. Furthermore, those two blobs were observable the whole time. But the light blob of the aircraft itself kept vanishing and reappearing. Said the Controller: "I would have understood it all right had you been 'blinking' on the landing radarscope. But on the sky-scanning radar, that never happens — simply CAN'T happen."

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WE REQUESTED a Vice-chairman of the Commission on Anomalous Phenomena, USSR Academy of Sciences Associate Member Dr. Nikolai A. Zheltukhin, to comment for us on the report from our Correspondent, and his statement is as follows:—

"The Commission is making a systematic study of sightings of unidentified flying objects observed over the territory of the USSR. The material we have is already quite considerable, so we have something to work on. But one is obliged to note with regret that all the accounts

at our disposal suffer to some degree or other from bias and incompleteness. This sighting by the Tallin air crew has been investigated by the Estonian Section of our Commission, consisting of Messrs I. Volke, E. Parvo, and others. The case is a genuinely interesting one, though we know of others like it.

The fact that the object instantaneously reversed its line of flight and shot down an unusually powerful beam of light from a great altitude is unquestionably something quite anomalous.

But, in judging the nature of the phenomenon, the Commission is guided by the indications of the locality. That is to say, if the phenomenon is local, and limited in space, it can be claimed of it that it is anomalous. But the dimensions of the object in this case, as seen by the airmen, were unintentionally enlarged. It was already very big. It was natural to suppose that, somewhere far away, many thousands of kilometres distant, some global atmospheric or geophysical process of a type already known to

Science might have been taking place.

But to the pilots the thing seemed to be quite close. In other words, a typical optical illusion.

But this explanation proved in the end to be unsound. For the pilots were able to establish its distance from them.

Consequently, the only conclusion that can be drawn is that the Tallin aircrew encountered what we call a *UFO*. It is particularly valuable that we now possess a consistent and detailed picture of the transformation in the appearance of unidentified flying objects. G. Lazurin has given us an oral description, plus sketches.

We would again request TRUD readers to report all such sightings to this address:—

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WILL THE EARTH BE STRUCK AGAIN SOON?

WITH the reappearance of Halley's (pronounced "Hawley's") Comet scheduled for the near future, the period November 9-16, 1985, has been designated "*National Astronomical Week 1985*". As our readers will know, in their recent book *From Grains To Bacteria* (Cardiff University Press) Dr. Fred Hoyle and Dr. Wickramasinghe have given us their extremely interesting theory about the dissemination of disease viruses and bacteria by comets. Unquestionably mankind has a deeply rooted fear concerning these matters, and can it be purely accidental, for example, that the very word "*influenza*", which we employ for a group of viruses that have killed millions, is in fact the ordinary Italian term for "*influence*"! The entrance of this word into our own language appears to date from the 18th century, that is to say from a time when there was evidently a very widespread popular belief — at any rate in Italy — that the "*influence*" causing pests and plagues "*came from the stars*" ("*la influenza delle stelle*")!

"Astrological mumbojumbo", we hear folk say today. But I recall that, in London, in 1955 or 1956, I had a chat about these matters with an eminent doctor, Sir Dalrymple Champneys, at that time the Principal Medical Officer at the Ministry of Health. In par-

ticular, I was asking him about the origins of 'flu epidemics, and he told me that more and more scientists were beginning to think that such waves of infection might indeed be coming to the Earth "from Outer Space", because it was noticed that frequently they did not seem to spread gradually around the world, but broke out in many places simultaneously, as though the planet were suddenly "bathed" in a sea of infection! And, hearing him say that, I recalled the wise old teacher Georgiy Gurdjieff, who had also taught that influenza was "*a special sort of disease*", and "*of cosmic origin*".

We understand that Dr. Wickramasinghe has recently warned again of the possibility that this time Halley's Comet may bring us something unwelcome (and already, in the past two or three months, Britain at any rate has had a touch of a more than usually severe "B" strain of 'flu).

In connection with the deep racial fear of comets and such things, another most important and most relevant book is Velikovsky's last work, *Man In Amnesia*, which is full of insights, and to which Dr. Grattan-Guinness referred in his article in our last issue.

Apart from some possible viral or bacterial contamination of this sort, we have not heard that anything untoward is expected from this particular new Halley visitation which is due next year, but it is quite obvious that, on a good many occasions in the past history of the Earth both asteroids and comets* have given us plenty of pretty close shaves and — sometimes — a great deal more than that!

The Iras-Araki-Alcock Comet (1983)

In May 1983 the bright comet *Iras-Araki-Alcock* was visible in the British skies, and certain astronomers were quoted then as saying that it "*is only a matter of time*" before something else comes hurtling out of Space again, as so often in the past, maybe wiping out millions.

At an important conference convened in Washington in 1983 by the American National Science Foundation, it was emphasised that on at least three different big occasions in the Earth's history — so far as we are at present able to deduce — much of the existing life was wiped out by catastrophes of this type.

The Last Big One

The last time, think the scientists, was around 65 million years ago, when most of the dinosaurs seem to have made a rather sudden exit. (There are of course also several rival theories, the latest of which is that a sudden change in global temperatures might have induced them to start producing eggs that were all male or all female, as current research indicates can happen with other saurians now existing.)

This last big missile to arrive, the experts suggest, some 65 million years ago, might have weighed 12 trillion tons, "*roughly the weight of the Greater London Area down to a depth of ten miles*". Throwing up a vast screen of dust clouds, it would have cut off the heat and light of the Sun for a number of years at the very least.

The One Before That

Further back, another such collision is thought to have happened about 450 million years ago, when many of the shell-bearing marine creatures suddenly vanished from the scene. Papers on that particular episode were read at the Conference by a biologist, Dr. Andrew Knoll, and by Dr. Gonzalo Vidal, a geologist.

One Still Further Back

Earlier still, some 650 million years ago, say the scientists, an even more violent event took place that wiped out almost all the single-cell plant and animal life then prevailing on our Planet.

Periodicity

Discussing the periodicity of these catastrophes, some researchers have expressed the view that collisions might occur about once in every ten million years. On the other hand, pessimists can point to some recent "close shaves" which might perhaps indicate that the odds ought to be shortened considerably.

Recent "Close Shaves"

New asteroids, or "minor planets of our System", are still being discovered all the time, and as Dr. Patrick Moore has mentioned, they may total well over 40,000, and some have passed pretty near to us in recent years. *Eros*, a rather irregularly shaped body, with its longest diameter about 18 miles, passed at some 15 million miles from us in 1931, and was close again in 1975.

That is a reassuring distance, perhaps, but what about *Hermes*, one mile in diameter, which passed at a mere 485,000 miles from us in 1937! (One recalls newspaper headlines: "*Missed By Four Minutes*".)

Another close-approacher is the minor planet *Icarus*, also one mile in diameter, which was uncomfortably near us — at four million miles — in 1969, and will have passed us again in or around 1983. Dr. Robert Dietz, the noted American geologist, has calculated that an asteroid of the size of *Icarus*, would, if it struck us, have an impact equivalent to a 200-million megaton nuclear blast — sufficient to sink large islands, trigger off volcanoes, cause huge earthquakes, interrupt the Earth's magnetic field, and temporarily knock us off our axis. Incidentally he has given it as his opinion that Earth gets a big strike from something or other, on a general average, about once every 10,000 years. (*Since many indications suggest that our last major land and sea changes were just about 11,000 years ago, one might suspect that something is due soon.*)

Finally, another potential disturber of cosmic harmony of which some astronomers have written is the erratic planetoid *Toro*, first observed, it seems, in 1964, and seen again more closely in 1972. Its orbit is apparently rather unusual, making five loops between Venus and the Earth and then a loop around the Earth. It was said to be due back in our vicinity in the early part of the present decade. It has been argued that, were *Toro* pushed off its orbit for any reason, it might hit either Venus or the Earth. It is said to be five kilometres in diameter, so that the results could be serious. According to one popular writer (Charles Berlitz), MIT were at work on some sort of project in 1968 aimed at deflecting or destroying *Toro* should it seem to be coming our way.

Great Craters on the Earth

The great American *Meteor Crater*, near Winslow, Arizona, is 1,200m. wide and is estimated to have been made by a projectile weighing millions of tons — but still that was only a meteorite. So one can imagine the smack that a very small asteroid would deliver!

Dr. Hynek on the Outlook: "Our Grandchildren May See One".

Writing in one of his regular astronomical articles in the American journal *Science Digest* (December 1984) Dr. Hynek says our great-grandchildren might see one:—

"In 2115, just 131 years from now, we are scheduled for either a near-miss or a direct hit. According to calculations by astronomer Iwan Williams of Queen Mary College in England, an asteroid named 1983TB, discovered last year by the Infrared Astronomical Satellite, is coming closer and closer to Earth on each of its circuits around the Sun. *In 2115, it will be closer to Earth than the Moon is* (my italics. G.C.), and the calculations are not precise enough to rule out its hitting us. Should it do so, the results will be far more devastating than the impact of hundreds of hydrogen bombs: 1983TB will hit at about 80,000 miles per hour."

What the Mystics and Psychics Say

Traditionally the mystics and psychics are ever inclined to be purveyors of doom, and one does not need to spend long studying their predictions before reaching the conclusion that most of them seem to be more often wrong than right. (My personal opinion for this, though I expect nobody to share it, is that there are a host of demonic and nefarious influences which are in a very close connection with mankind, *in a parasitic connection*, one might say, and which delight in pumping us full of fear and foreboding, and few psychics are strong enough or sufficiently *pure channels* to avoid control and contamination by them.)

It is nevertheless interesting to see what at least one very famous and respected seeress has to say on the subject. (Respected, not least because, for years past, hard-headed world bankers and top financiers have regularly consulted her, and pay great heed indeed to what she says and what she "sees"!)

This lady is Mrs. Jeane Dixon of Washington, D.C., who, during World War II, used to sit quietly with President Roosevelt in his study in the White House of an evening, before a large map of the Atlantic Ocean, and show the President where the packs of German U-boats were, this information being passed instantly to Naval Intelligence.

Years later came her vision of the assassination of President Kennedy (no less than eleven years before the event). Her warnings were quite unheeded.

She also warned the American Government, many, many months in advance, of the coup that the Russians were about to carry off by beating them into Space, and she has warned repeatedly (and seemingly to little effect) of the Soviet Space Weapons which will be able to knock out all America's defences and place

her in the direst peril. (It is a matter of historical record that the Russian Embassy staff in Washington were deeply worried on hearing of her warning, in a TV appearance in 1953, about their Space plans. Soviet Ambassador Georgiy Zarubin invited her to the Embassy and quizzed her, and the poor old heathen was justifiably puzzled when she told him that her gift "came from God".)

In all fairness, however, it must also be said that at times — and especially on American domestic and political issues such as elections — Mrs Jeane Dixon has been astoundingly and resoundingly wrong, and, had one the time and space, quite a few of these examples might be quoted.

Mrs. Dixon Foresees Two Events

I have been in correspondence with Mrs. Dixon on and off over the past twenty years. She foresees trouble that is a good deal nearer than Dr. Hynek's date of 2,115.

In her book *Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow* (published by William Morrow, Inc., 1975) she had this to say:—

"Is it important that I sense the likelihood of an international depression towards the end of this decade? Or that the splashdown of a comet striking the Atlantic Ocean a few years thereafter will create a tidal wave and flooding in low-lying areas? Or that the immense tail of an erratic comet, coming close to the Earth in the 1990s, will affect the Earth's axial balance and lead to dramatic changes in the Earth's weather and geography? Yes — all those phenomena matter greatly, but of far greater import is our reaction to them. If we see in them reminders of our human vulnerability and of God's providence in all things, then even the tremors of the Earth will work to His glory".

Some time later, she told me that, when we got nearer the date, it might be possible for her to say more about the first event. She has spoken and written several times about some of the *political effects* that one of these impending events will have. For example, in her book *My Life and Prophecies* (first published in 1969) *she stated that the event in question would have a serious effect on Russia's plans for world conquest.* (On another occasion, I understand her words to have intimated that the disastrous event will in fact be pretty well the *only* factor that will prevent total Soviet success.)

On July 2, 1984, I wrote to her again and, as she had said she would perhaps reveal more later, nearer the date, I asked her whether she could now do so, and on October 30, 1984, she replied to me as follows:—

"It remains to be seen when, and under what circumstances, there will be more to say concerning the entrance of a comet into the Earth's atmosphere. Please remember that such an event need not be calamitous, since those astral wonders vary greatly in size, and most of our planet's surface is not populated.

"Closely related to this matter is the question of a 'Star Wars' defence-system in Space. You may be interested in my most recent prediction on this point, made only a few days ago, and not widely published yet. A copy is enclosed, and with it come my thanks for your kind and thoughtful comments."

STATEMENT (From the *Washington Times*, October 19, 1984)

Calling the Shots

Jeane Dixon, who calls the future for many newspapers with her horoscope, envisions "not in this decade, but in the years beyond, that there will be a great battle in Space... a conflict fought beyond the confines of Earth. It will determine the future of the human race and the freedom of our children's children."

She sees the anti-satellite Space-shield that is part of President Reagan's strategic defence initiative as

"essential to the very survival of our people".

Edgar Cayce

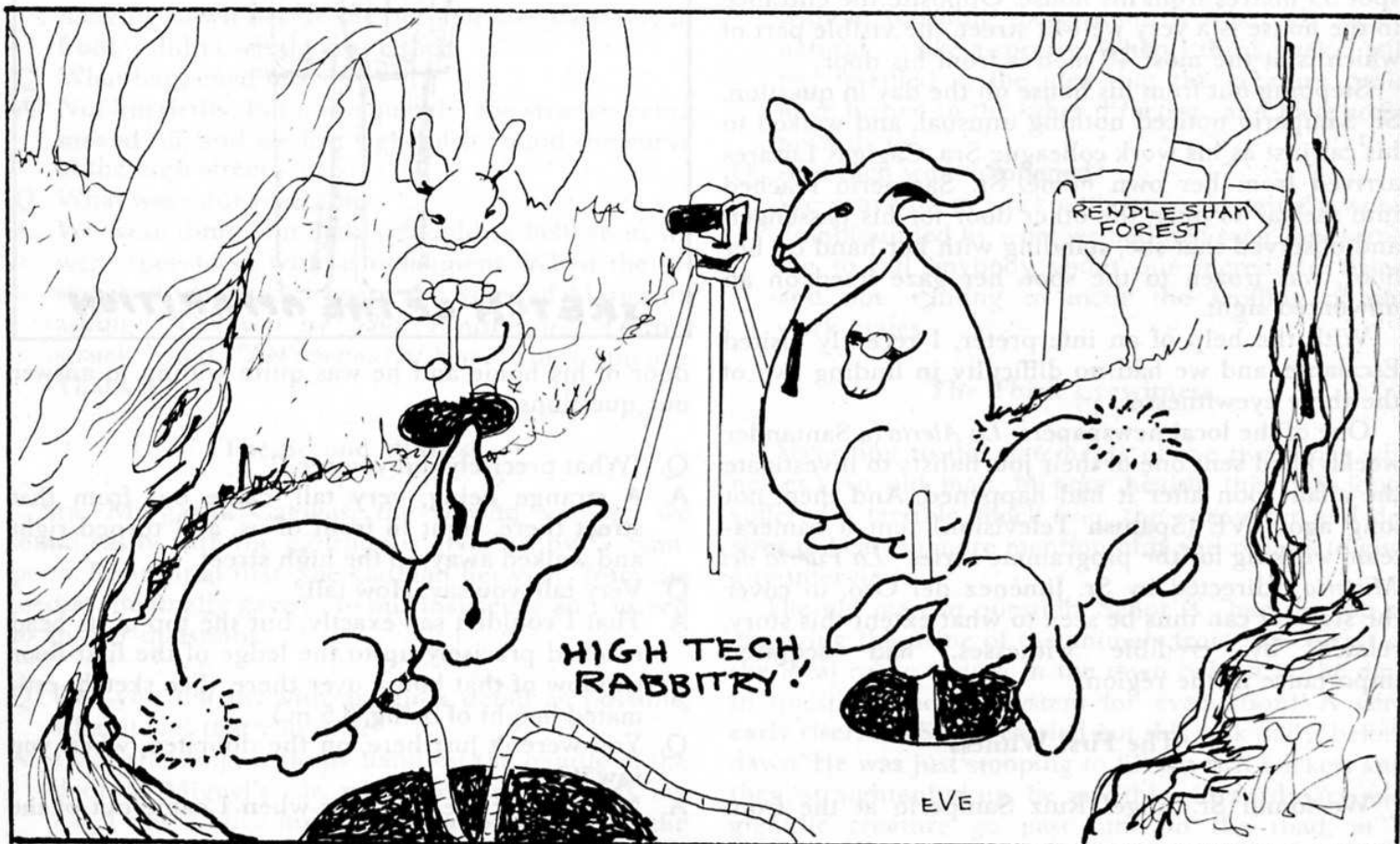
Having touched briefly on this matter of prophecy, it might be thought illogical on my part to conclude without some reference to that other remarkable American seer, Edgar Cayce, who has given us such extensive and detailed prophecies regarding the momentous events that, so he said, are due to mark the close of this century, of which indeed only fifteen years now remain.

However, as I was one of those who were privileged to be in touch with Edgar Cayce when he was here with us, and, indeed, had my health restored through his "long-distance psychic readings" after arriving in the U.S.A. sick with Asian Typhus contracted on a ship in which I had crossed the Pacific in 1942, I may be able to say something about him at another time.

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*In his article, Dr. Hynek makes an interesting comment which may come as a surprise to many people. He says:—

"Taken together, these facts suggest what many comet experts have long believed: most asteroids are simply the burned-out remnants of comets, herded into the Asteroid Belt by Jupiter's powerful gravitation."
G.C.



AN UNWONTED APPARITION IN SPAIN

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(Translation from French)

We are indebted to the Editor and Editorial Committee of our splendid French contemporary, *Lumières Dans La Nuit*, for this interesting Spanish report, which appeared in No. 249-250 of their Journal (March/April 1985).

EDITOR

Place: Escalante, near Santander, Province of Cantabria, North-Central Spain.

Date: July 9, 1976

Time: 5.30 a.m.

Eyewitnesses (three):- Sr. Ángel Ruiz Samperio
Sra. Margarita Cagigas Lusares
Sr. X (An aged man, in poor health, who refuses to discuss what he saw).

The Facts

ON Friday, July 9, 1976, at 5.30 a.m., Señor Ruiz Samperio left his house to go to his place of work, 8 kms. distant.

A neighbour, Señora Cagigas Lusares, who works at the same establishment, avails herself of the opportunity to travel with Sr. Samperio in his car (a SEAT 850).

The car is parked on the square in Escalante, at a spot 55 metres from his house. Opposite the entrance to the house is a very well-lit street, the visible part of which is at the most 40 metres from his door.

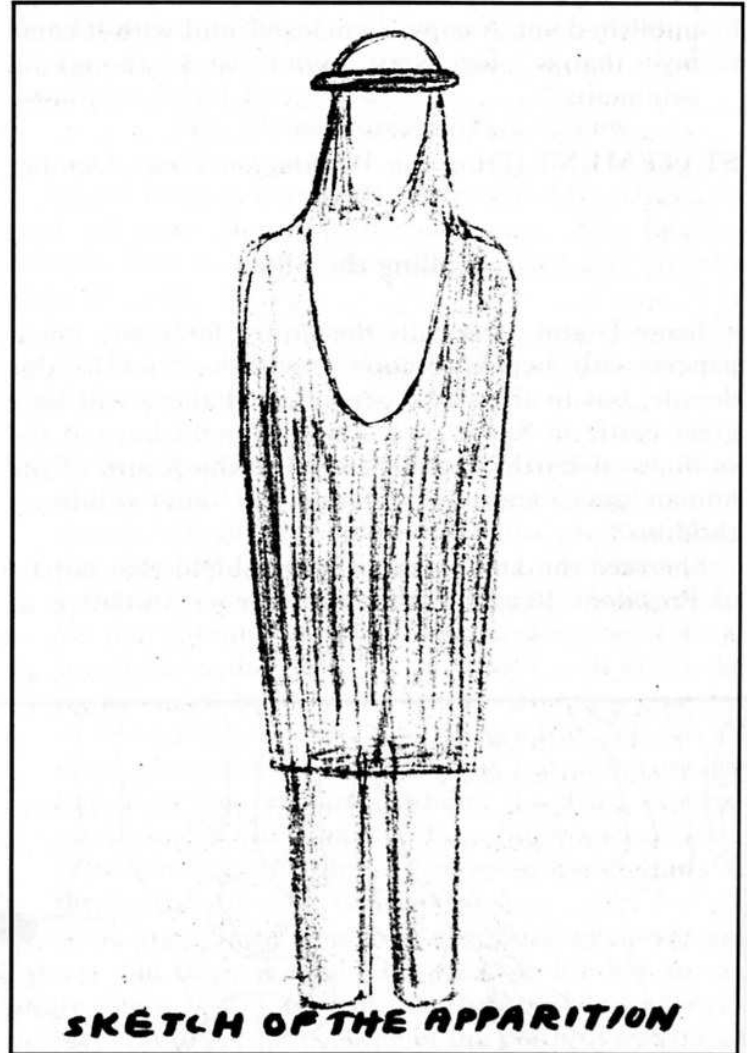
Stepping out from his house on the day in question, Sr. Samperio noticed nothing unusual, and walked to his car just as his work colleague Sra. Cagigas Lusares arrived from her own home. Sr. Samperio reached into the car to open the other door for his passenger, and observed that she, standing with her hand on her door, was frozen to the spot, her gaze fixed on an unwonted sight.

With the help of an interpreter, I recently visited Escalante, and we had no difficulty in finding two of the three eyewitnesses.

One of the local newspapers, *La Alerta* (a Santander weekly) had sent one of their journalists to investigate the affair soon after it had happened. And then, not long ago, TVE (Spanish Television) sent a camera-team working for the programme series "*La Puerta del Misterio*", directed by Sr. Jiménez del Oso, to cover the story. It can thus be seen to what extent this story, related by credible witnesses, had acquired importance in the region.

The First Witness

We found Sr. Ángel Ruiz Samperio at the front



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door of his home and he was quite willing to answer our questions.

Q. "What precisely did you see?"

A. A strange being, very tall, came out from that street there, right in front of us, and turned right and walked away up the high street.

Q. Very tall, you say. How tall?

A. That I couldn't say exactly, but the top of its head reached precisely up to the ledge of the first-floor window of that house over there. (See sketch: estimated height of being, 3.5 m.)

Q. You weren't just here, on the doorstep, when you saw it?

A. No. I didn't see anything when I came out of the

house. I went over to my car, parked on the square. My colleague was just coming from the other direction. I opened the door on my side and was leaning into the car to open the other door for her and, as I straightened up again, I noticed that she seemed as though frozen to the spot. Then I looked in the same direction and saw the strange being.

Q. How did it look?

A. I must explain that, so far as I myself am concerned. I only saw it from the rear. The being had just performed a very slow right turn, while remaining on precisely the same spot, prior to moving away. My colleague, who had seen it sooner than I had, saw it in profile. I should also mention that it had been a very clear night (it was just getting light), and there is a street lamp right above where the being appeared. So that I got a very good view of somebody very tall.

Q. Could you describe the "being" for us?

A. It was wearing a sort of dark tunic coming down as far as mid-thigh level. The top of its head was surmounted by a round-rimmed flanged cap, also dark coloured, from which it had, hanging down on to the shoulders, gleaming, shining, either hair or some sort of veil. The legs were in what seemed to be light-coloured trousers, as though luminous.

Q. Did you notice any other details? The feet, or the hands?

A. No. The shoulders were clearly shown, but I couldn't see any arms, or tell whether they were hanging down beside the body or stretched out in front. I didn't see the feet either.

Q. What happened next?

A. Not hurriedly, but quite quickly, the strange being moved off, and we lost sight of it round the curve of the high street.

Q. What was your reaction?

A. We were dumbfounded, we couldn't believe it; we were speechless with astonishment. When the vision had vanished, I heard the voice of Margarita asking: "*Did you see what I just saw!*" Terror-struck, I said: "*Let's get out of here!*" There you are. That's it.

The Second Witness

Sra. Margarita Cagigas, the second witness, we found easily with the indications given us by Sr. Samperio. Reticent at first (she had had her visits from the media) she finally gave in to our insistence and agreed to answer questions.

Q. Can you tell us, with as much detail as possible, what it was that you saw?

A. I was standing, with my hand on the handle of the door of Miguel's car, when, looking towards my left, I saw a huge human form appear beneath the

lamp at the corner of the street. Frozen with terror, I had the impression that the creature saw us and, very slowly, like a robot, it did a right-hand turn, showing its back to us, and then walked away and vanished from sight around the bend in the road, though — as it seemed to me — *without appearing to touch the ground as it went.*

Q. Miguel claims that you may have seen the "creature" before he did, and possibly in more detail?

A. As far as the height of the being is concerned, I am positive that it was of the height of the sill of the first-floor window of the house.

Q. As you had, if not a three-quarter view of it at first, then at least a profile of it, could you give us a more detailed description?

A. The face was very elongated; I couldn't see any facial details (eyes, nose, mouth). There was a flange around the head at the forehead level. And strange hair or a veil of some shining tissue falling to the shoulders; a black pleated tunic reaching down to the mid-part of the lower limbs, which looked as though clad in trousers of some reflective material (or, rather, some sort of *fluorescent* material, like the registration plates of cars). On its chest it had a sort of frontal piece or "dicky" which seemed to be of the same material.)

Q. What was your reaction, and what was the impression that this apparition left on you?

A. I was paralyzed with fear. That thing seemed unbelievable, its gigantic height, and the slow way in which it turned, and the way it seemed to move without touching the ground. It was truly supernatural — like a spectre. When I think back, I still feel terrified at the idea that the creature could have turned in the other direction, and have come towards *us!*

Q. And then what happened?

A. We drove off to work without exchanging a word, dumbfounded by what we had just seen. Not wanting to tell anybody about our incredible vision and not wanting to incur the scoffing of our work-mates.

The Third Eyewitness

(According to the statements of the two other witnesses.) An old man, in poor health, this individual suffered a terrible shock from the encounter and desires to hear no more mention of it and refuses to give any interviews.

The old man in question, Señor X- had the job of emptying the urine of the animals from the cesspit of the local cattle-trough in the town (which at the date in question had no system for evacuation). A very early riser, old Sr. X- carried out this task daily, before dawn. He was just stooping to fill his two buckets and then, straightening up, he saw this extraordinary and gigantic creature go past him on the road, at a

distance of only about four metres from him.

In his terror he dropped his buckets and, paralyzed with fear, he stood there as it moved away out of sight. Severely shocked, this old man will not venture out of his house now until the Sun is already up.

Yet he was the witness who was closest (about four metres) from "the thing".

After we had seen our first two eyewitnesses, we went to the offices of the *ALERTA*, in the hope of being able to consult their archives and find the article they had published about the phenomenon at Escalante.

C. G. JUNG ON UFOs

In my brief note on pages 13 and 28 of FSR Vol. 29 No. 4 about Lou Zinsstag, I mentioned that, long before his death in 1961, her great and famous uncle, Dr. Carl Gustav Jung, had radically departed from his earlier view of the UFO Problem, and knew that the UFOs were *real* and not mere "figments of the mind", as so many folk love to think. (This explanation, running neck-and-neck with "*perinatal traumata*" or "*piezo-electrical lights in the skies*", is still prevalent among the smart folk who pride themselves on a smattering of knowledge of "Psychology". Generally, if pressed, it turns out that they have never really taken the trouble to find out what Jung actually said or wrote on our subject, but have simply gone on parroting what they like to *think* he said).

One of these gentlemen wrote to me a few months ago to say that my piece about Jung and his belief in the reality of UFOs was "the typical sort of tripe to be found in FSR nowadays".

For this reader's benefit I am therefore publishing this photostat of an *Associated Press* report that appeared in the *New York Herald-Tribune* on July 30, 1958 and which came to me, via an indirect route, from Mr. Philip Goodhart, M.P., who sent it, for my files, through FSR reader Miss Mary Goodall of Beckenham, Kent.

As will be seen from the item, Dr. Jung not only considered that UFOs were "*real*", but that they "*show signs of intelligent guidance by quasi-human pilots*".

So much, then, for Jung's support of the "*it's all in your mind*" theory! — G.C.

But unfortunately there had been a change in the ownership of the journal, and the reporter who had written the article had also left them.

Not knowing the date of his article, we are sorry to say that it was not possible to find it!

As regards the feature about the case on the Spanish Television, we understand that it is to be shown next September or October, so our Spanish friends will be able to form their own conclusions.

My special thanks to Señor Julio Portilla who accompanied me throughout my investigation, and I also thank the staff-member of *ALERTA* who let us consult the archives.

*New York Herald-Tribune,
July 30, 1958*

Dr. Jung Says Flying 'Disks' Suggest 'Quasi-Human Pilots'

By the Associated Press

ALAMAGORDO, N.M., July 29.—Dr. Carl Jung, Swiss psychologist, says in a report that "unidentified flying objects" are real and "show signs of intelligent guidance by quasi-human pilots."

"I can only say for certain these things are not a mere rumor—something has been seen," Dr. Jung said in the report released yesterday. "A purely psychological explanation is ruled out."

Dr. Jung, who started his research on UFOs in 1944, released his report through the UFO filter center of the Aerial Phenomena Research Organization here.

"I have gathered a mass of observations of unidentified flying objects since 1944," he said.

"The disks do not behave in accordance with physical laws, but as though without weight. . .

"If the extra-terrestrial origin of

these phenomena should be confirmed, this would prove the existence of an intelligent inter-planetary relationship. What such a fact might mean for humanity cannot be predicted.

"But it would put us without doubt in the extremely precarious position of primitive communities in conflict with the superior culture of the whites.

"That the construction of these machines proves a scientific technique immensely superior to ours cannot be argued."

The United States Air Force has said investigation of flying saucers reported over the last ten years has produced no evidence that such things exist. It said last November that investigations of 5,700 reported sightings showed the mysterious objects were balloons, aircraft, astronomical phenomena, birds, fireworks or hoaxes, among other things.

**"FOR MOST MEN, THE
TRUTH IS WHAT THEY CAN'T
HELP THINKING MUST BE
TRUE."**

— Oliver Wendell Holmes
(1809-1894)

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woman rubbed José Ignacio's body with the sort of sponge in order to bring him to a high state of excitement so that he would feel great attraction to her and experience no nervousness or other thoughts such as might disturb their relationship at that moment.

Final Conclusions

Given the absolutely sincere and serious character of the witness, regarding which I have no doubt whatsoever, and given the fact that we investigated the affair on the spot and that it agrees with the testimony of many witnesses in encounters of the first kind, and

given the psychological and hypnological tests carried out on the witness, and the similarity of the case to other cases, as for example that of Villas Boas, and given also the fact that the witness had never read any publication whatsoever on this subject and always laughed when anyone said anything about Flying Saucers — as some of his friends explicitly assured us — my analysis of this case induces me to conclude in favour of the truthfulness of José Ignacio Alvaro, and to state that in my opinion it is correct that he WAS A VISUAL, PHYSICAL, AND MORAL WITNESS TO A CASE THAT IS FAR MORE THAN A MERE CASE OF THE THIRD KIND.

Signed: Edgardo R. Fontanet
Director G.I.F.O.

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Old Chinese Country Records

A "Ball" in the Sky over He-Shun County

In his book *"Meng-Hsi-Bi-Tan"*,³ the celebrated Sung Dynasty scholar Chen-Kuo records that "a little over ten years ago" a Yang-Zhou man had frequently seen, over a period of time, a "shining globe". It was very large and was vividly bright, and its light would fade out and then come on again.

The famous Sung Dynasty poet Su-Dong-Po, in his poem *"Yu-Chin-Shan-Si"*,⁴ also described a strange "globe" seemingly just like that recorded by Chen-Kuo. A number of writers have already said that these "globes" or "spheres" seen by the two famous men in question were visitors from Outer Space.

Another Shan-Xi Province record (the *He-Shun Xian-Zhi*, He-Shun County Annals) also contains a similar account. It says that "In the period from 3.00 to 5.00 p.m. on the twentieth day of the ninth moon of the 24th year of Kuang-Xu (1899), at Tian-Gu-Ming, south-east of the county town, there was seen a trail of black vapour and, contained in it, two black spheres. Then the colour changed towards a bluish and then in an instant they vanished." Here again, we have reference to "spheres", or "balls" or "globes", and clearly it was not just another case of a shooting star.

That "sphere" at Yang-Zhou was seen during the year period A.D. 1056-1063, and this last-mentioned case was in 1899, 800 years later. Were both of the same origin?

Something truly "Alien"

In the seventh moon of the eighth year of the Tang Dynasty Emperor Tai-Zong Zhen-Guan, at Ching-Long near Fen-Chou, a fiery bright belching dragon was seen in the sky. It descended to the ground, and made an excavation, and entered the ground, and left something metallic a foot wide and seven inches long."

Here again, we see the Chinese terms "prodigy" and "thing" and it emits a very powerful light. And there is also reference to "metal". The use of the term *lung* — a dragon — in describing it, refers to gas emitted from it. The amount of the gas emanating from it being great, seen from the ground it could only have looked like something "belching". The emission of gas recalls the case in He-Shun County. The use of the Chinese term *"duo-di"* to describe how it came down to the ground indicates clearly that it dropped *straight down* onto the surface of the earth. The reference to "metal" being left on the ground may indicate wreckage, or to something left there by it. The eighth year of the Tang Emperor Tai-Zong Zhen-Guan was A.D. 634, or more than 1,300 years ago. This was the earliest reference that I found to "foreign bodies" seen in Shan-Xi Province.

"In the 28th year of the Ming Dynasty Emperor Wan-Li (1600 A.D.), on the early morning of the twelfth day of the first moon of the lunar year, at Zhong-Bai -Cun in Pu-Xian County, the sound of a great wind was suddenly heard and in the clouds there was seen a strange object shaped like a tub, some ten feet or so long, of a yellow colour, with a curled tail. It fell beneath a willow tree on the hills, and instantly vanished without trace." "At Yu-Zi there was a bright fiery thing shaped like a bushel; it fell to the south-west, making a noise like a drum." These are two separate entries, but may very likely refer to one and the same event. The sighting in Pu-Xian County is described in considerable detail. The "strange object" made a noise and was yellow, and it "fell" beneath a willow tree on the hills, as though resting. It is described as "shaped like a tub" (or "bucket". G.C.) So much for its physical appearance.

As it hung up there in the sky, and as seen from the ground by anyone looking up, it could look like a round dish. What is most remarkable is that those two "strange objects" were seen at the same time. The fiery bright thing "like a bushel" at Yu-Zi, "fell in the

south-west", and in fact Pu-Xian County does indeed lie precisely to the south-west of Yu-Zi. Could it be that the "thing" was first seen at Yu-Zi and then fell in Pu-Xian County, and, when the Pu-Xian people saw it, it had ended up beneath a willow tree, its speed by then having been reduced so that consequently it no longer looked so bright?

Some Accounts of "Fiery Balls"

The old books contain numerous references to "fiery balls", most of them doubtless being ordinary shooting stars. But a few of them do not seem to be shooting stars, and I give some examples:—

"In the third moon of the 18th year of the Ming Dynasty Emperor Chong-Zhen (A.D. 1634) a shooting star appeared at Can-Su. It gave out an intermittent sound and was of a red fiery colour like thread. It dropped straight down to the ground and, after a good while, its light was extinguished. It was seen by people at Fen-Zhou and at Ping-Yang ... During the night of the 24th day of the twelfth moon, in the sky at Jie-Ti, a bright fiery object shaped like a bushel was seen. It rose up from the west and came down in the south-west, and as it passed it made a noise."

"In the sixth moon of the eighth year of the Emperor Kang-Xi (A.D. 1669) a shooting star was seen during the night at Jiang-Zhou and made the night sky as bright as daylight. It came from the south-west and passed between Ming-Lun-Tang and Liang-

Dong, and vanished from sight at Geng-Xu. At Dong-Guan near Huo-Zhou a white vapour like white silk rose up suddenly into the air and passed through dense clouds."

With the exception of the item from the *He-Shun County Annals*, all the foregoing cases come from the SHAN-XI TONG-ZHI (SHAN-XI BULLETIN), and many of them had come originally from old books. No doubt some of these accounts contain hearsay and rumour, akin to "religious superstition", but they cannot simply have been concocted without foundation. I think we ought to collect all these old accounts together and put them in order and give a scientific description of them.

(Romanization in Pin-Yin system. G.C.)

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THE "PIEZO-PERINATAL" SCENE: A LETTER FROM BUDD HOPKINS TO "FATE" MAGAZINE

So long ago as 1976 (FSR Vol. 22, No. 3) we printed the article *Hypnotic Regression of Alleged CE-III Cases: Ambiguities on the Road to UFOs*, by Dr. Alvin H. Lawson, Professor of English at California State University, Long Beach. And we have referred to this egregious piece of theorizing on a number of occasions since then, notably in our Editorial in Vol. 29, No. 1; in Antonio Ribera's article on abductees in Vol. 29, No. 6; and in our introduction to his *Soria Abduction: Part I*, in Vol. 30, No. 3.

There was also the important article by Larry Fenwick and his colleagues of CUFORN (*Canadian Rock-Band Abducted?*), in FSR Vol. 29, No. 3 and, most important of all, without any doubt whatever, Dr. J. Allen Hynek's article, *Abductees Are "Normal" People*, in FSR Vol. 30, No. 3.

Mr. Budd Hopkins, author of the remarkable book *Missing Time: A Documented Study of UFO Abductions*, has now given us a copy of the following letter which he recently addressed to the Editor of *FATE* Magazine. We agree with Mr. Hopkins that it may well be of interest to many of our readers, for, as Dr. Hynek has observed (*and his question still remains unanswered*), if all the abduction reports are the results of perinatal traumata, then why on earth do the patients always blather about having been inside dome-shaped contraptions and seen sundry queer characters (either giants or mere runts) who mess about with them generally and engage in physical and medical examinations of them? *Why — for example — don't they start reporting, for a change, having seen pink elephants or double-decker London buses?*

(Incidentally a newly-born babe would scarcely be likely to remember a huge normal-sized obstetrician or nurse as a runt smaller than himself!)

Mr. Hopkins' book, which was published in 1981 by Richard Marek Inc., 200 Madison Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016) is available in Britain from Ms. Stebbing, and we can thoroughly recommend it. It has already been excellently reviewed for us by Janet and Colin Bord in their *FSR Bookshelf-13* (see our Vol. 27, No. 5). — Editor

To the Editor:

"FATE" MAGAZINE

246 W. 16th St.
N.Y., N.Y. 10011
March 15, 1985

Dear Sir,

It is a dreary task, I'm afraid, to have to deal yet again with Prof. Alvin Lawson's absurd "explanation" of UFO abduction reports. Arguing with all the ingrained habits of the English teacher that he is, Lawson constantly confuses superficial resemblance with causal connection. Thus, since some abductees describe their captors as looking, in Lawson's interpretation, "fetus-like", there must be a causal connection; the abductee must be remembering his own birth, disguised as a UFO abduction! Let's forget, for the time being, the mystery of how a new-born infant knows what he looked like as a partly formed fetus (the old mirror-and-light-in-the-womb-trick). Let's also not ask why, since the abductee was presumably delivered as a full-term baby and not a half-formed fetus, he should have any "fetus imagery" in his "birth trauma recollections" in the first place. Let's only ask what kind of warped logic lies behind a "birth recollection — UFO abduction account" in which the baby — recollected as a fully-grown adult — appears on the examination table surrounded by fetuses! What became of the doctors and nurses?

Lawson has asked UFO investigators to compare abductees' actual birth experiences with "relevant" details from their UFO accounts. He has said that if there is no connection his theory should be discarded. Well, I followed his suggestion and did my own survey in a number of cases. The woman who described being held by clamp-like devices at one point in her abduction account ("an obvious forceps delivery") was the third of four children and was delivered so fast that her mother barely made it into the hospital. No forceps. One abductee who was, in fact, a "forceps delivery" was *walked* into the UFO as casually as one could wish. No clamps. Lawson asks for "even one" Caesarian baby whose abduction account has head pain ("vaginal contraction pressure"). How about a number of normally delivered people whose abduction accounts present *no* head pain? I have several. No remembered "vaginal contraction pressure". And so on. The so-called correlations just don't exist.

Perhaps the most ludicrous assertion of Lawson's theory is his statement that abduction accounts, to be true, must have no "birth imagery". And what is birth imagery, according to Lawson? I quote: "chest straps,

doors, beams of light, humming sounds, probing physical examinations, brightly-lit rooms, spiral stairways, backpacks, bubble headgear, windows", and so on. He challenges investigators to come up with an abduction account that contains — by *his* standard — no birth imagery, an obviously impossible task. I once asked him to make up for me an abduction account that had no birth imagery. He refused, which I and others present (at the 1981 CUFOS conference in Chicago) took to be an admission that his theory could not be falsified; it was, therefore not a testable hypothesis. If a theory can be made to explain everything, every possibility, it obviously explains nothing.

Lawson tries desperately to account for the presence of amnesia so frequently encountered in "missing time" abduction accounts, and brings in some vague reference to a hormone that causes birth contractions in women. This hormone, he says, "causes amnesia in laboratory animals." I had an amnesiac German Shepherd dog once, who told me he could not remember much of his puppyhood, but I never believed him. Never trust a laboratory animal who tells you he's suffering from amnesia, whatever he says. Some animals will lie through their teeth!

I don't mean to overdo my reaction to Lawson's "theory", because I know all too well how frustratingly endless the job of investigating the UFO phenomenon can be, and how emotionally draining. Abduction accounts, taken head on, are immensely unsettling, so it is psychologically understandable to try to explain them away any way one can. *I truly sympathize with Prof. Lawson's need to construct a big, thick carpet to sweep them under.*

The field of UFO investigation is rife with theoreticians out to prove *something* — that the earth is hollow; that cracking rocks can induce elaborate, nearly identical narrative images; that UFOs are built by Nazis living in Antarctica; that nearly every dream or UFO account is an adult recalling the look of things at his birth; or that the CIA is at the back of *everything* ... We've had plasmas, swarming ants, even swamp gas, but if half the energy people have spent on developing tenuous to downright crack-brained theories had been spent on investigating the incidents that are reported to us, and on listening carefully to what the witnesses are saying, we might be closer now to the truth than we seem to be. With all sincerity I invite Alvin Lawson to put theory aside and get back to data, to investigating the temporary disappearances, the physical marks and wounds, the ground traces and independent witness descriptions that accompany

UFO abduction accounts — *and when the abductee describes a doorway, may he think of it as a doorway and not someone's cervix. We need him back.*

Yours truly,
Budd Hopkins

And Now for the Views of Another Psychologist

By pure chance, the same post which brought us Budd Hopkins' letter, also brought an interesting little snippet forwarded by Lucius Farish of Plumerville, Arkansas (an old and valued correspondent of many years standing, from whom we do not seem to have heard lately, so his note is most warmly welcomed!).

The item in question comes from the American publication *Family Weekly* (March 31, 1985) and is as follows:—

What Do You Know? And When Did You First Know It?

The medical profession keeps pushing back the starting point of human consciousness. San Diego

clinical psychologist David Chamberlain has pushed it all the way back to the delivery room. He claims that children have vivid memories of their own births. He says: "Babies are real people, trapped, as it were, in baby bodies. They are fully equipped with sensory and learning abilities."

Chamberlain has asked children under hypnosis to describe their surroundings at the time of their birth. He found that their recollections included such details as Mother's hairstyle, obstetric instruments used, and conversations in the delivery room. In later interviews with their mothers, Chamberlain found that the children's memories were remarkably accurate. And extremely sophisticated. He concludes that "at birth, babies note who is nervous, careless, tired, crying. They sense when fathers are uninterested, afraid, or ecstatic."

Maybe we should find a better welcome to the world for the little nippers than a slap on the behind.

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As Lucius Farish comments: "It would appear that *actual* birth memories are far different from Lawson's ideas!". — G.C.

ANOTHER "A.V.B." CASE FROM BRAZIL

*Edgardo R. Fontanet, Director, G.I.I.F.O. UFO Research Group
Santa Fe, Argentina*

We are indebted to Antonio Ribera for this interesting case, which occurred in the far south of Brazil but was investigated by an Argentine group in Santa Fe, to whom, therefore, we also extend our thanks. Toni Ribera points out that the episode, which sounds entirely genuine, fits perfectly into the pattern of the "contactee" as outlined by him in his recent article in FSR 29/6. **EDITOR**

(Translation from Spanish)

Name of witness:	José Ignacio Alvaro
Occupation:	student
Age:	20 years
Place of residence:	Pelotas, State of Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil.
Type of contact:	Third Kind
Date:	March 2, 1978

The Witness's Account

"**I**T all started at 8.00 p.m. on March 2, 1978, when an electricity failure plunged the town of Pelotas into darkness, and at once a spherical object appeared over the town. I was with Izenozia Silva da Silva and Orlando Costa Silva. I started walking towards the suburb where my parents live, and when I was near

their front entrance I found myself confronted with an extremely strange flying object standing there in front of me. From it came a beam of bluish light, directed at me; my mind became confused and I quickly began to see scenes from my life in my family, and scenes of violence, and a few minutes later I lost consciousness.

"Then, about an hour later, I woke up and found myself at a place about a kilometre distant from my father's house. Half-dazed, I kept hearing just one phrase: 'THE TASK IS ACCOMPLISHED'.

"To convince myself that I was not asleep, being still dazed, I pinched myself several times on my skin and on my face, and quickly made for my parents' place to tell them at once of what had happened to me, for they were already uneasy having heard what my comrades had reported. I tried to sleep, but could

not, and I could still hear this voice which kept on saying the same thing: 'THE TASK IS ACCOMPLISHED'."

The Witness's Account under Hypnosis

During a session of hypnosis carried out by the psychologist Palmor Carapecos, José Ignacio revealed the following story:-

"A form emerged from the object and took me by the hand and led me inside it. To enter the craft, I went up a sort of ladder. Inside was a coloured table with lots of lights. They told me I had a task to accomplish. I didn't understand, and they kept on saying it, and I still didn't understand, and then suddenly a completely nude woman appeared in front of me. She had a sort of sponge in her hand, and she rubbed my body down with it. I felt the contact of her hands on my skin. She was a tall woman with protuberant eyes and big curvaceous breasts.

She gently told me not to be nervous and to relax. Her "silvery" hair was of the same thickness as the hair of a normal woman. Then suddenly she started fondling me and I began to get excited, and it all happened just as in a sexual relationship between a man and a woman on our own planet, the only difference being that she uttered a sort of groan..."

The Witness's Own Feelings About the Case

"My main problem", he said, "is that many of my friends became a bit distant towards me. That was to begin with, and when I really did feel myself that I was crazy. But then when I was told that other people had had the same or very similar experiences, I felt calmer.

"I'd be very happy to have the experience again and would be ready to do it, without any problem. And not only that, but I'd be even far more pleased to know the child born from this relationship — it would be marvellous to be able to know a Spacechild."

Fresh Investigations

After investigating the witness, I went and examined the place where he assured me the extraterrestrials had left him, and there I found some truly strange marks. They weren't of any known shape, they were very different from the sort of marks normally left by this type of craft.

Investigating the people who live about there, I found that the majority of them said a round, glowing flying object surrounded by a halo had been low down over that field and had remained floating there for five minutes and had then departed, vanishing slowly over the horizon.

Pelotas

Pelotas, a town in the State of Rio Grande do Sul, has at present over 300,000 inhabitants, and contains many of the more important University faculties of the State such as, for example, the Catholic Faculty of Medicine.

Pelotas is a very important place for UFO sightings. It lies between many mountains, which we know very well are the most frequent scenes of UFO sightings.

Preliminary Conclusions

On the basis of our study of this case, we can extract four important points from it which I will try to explain, although without theorizing:-

1. An electricity cut darkened the city, and at once the UFO appeared.

2. José Ignacio says: "It sent out a bluish beam of light towards me. I quickly began to see scenes from my life in my family and scenes of violence, and a few moments later I lost consciousness."

3. The internal voice telling him that "THE TASK IS ACCOMPLISHED".

4. The woman had in her hand a sort of sponge with which she rubbed José Ignacio's body.

As regards point no. 1, we can say that, in the majority of cases, before they appear, the UFOs cause a blackout or cut in the electricity. This may be because the blackout is caused by the UFO's taking the electricity for its own propulsion.

The appearance of the UFO over the town may have been in order to let the witness know that they were here, and that the experience he was going to have would be real and not due to madness. And I would emphasise that the UFO was seen flying over the town by a great many people.

As regards the second point, namely the beam of bluish light. I would say that the purpose of this was to examine the individual who was to undergo the experience. And we may note that in the first few moments the witness recalled certain passages from his own life. This could be related to the information that the extraterrestrial beings were engaged in taking from him at a psychological level. Then finally, the witness's loss of consciousness happened when their examination of him was completed and they had made their decision to take him aboard for the experiment.

As regards point 3, we may say that this inner voice which José Ignacio heard, telling him insistently "THE TASK IS ACCOMPLISHED", was the last thing that he heard from the extraterrestrials and it remained printed on his consciousness (as they wished it to do), so as to reassure him and calm him.

Finally, as regards point 4, we can say that the

MAIL BAG

Correspondents are asked to keep their letters short and give full name and address (not necessarily for publication). It is not always possible for the Editor to acknowledge every letter personally, so he takes this opportunity of thanking all who write to him.

Missing Time

Dear Gordon, — As a query to FSR readers, I am interested in hearing from any UFO investigators or members of the general public who have knowledge of the following:—

An experience of "losing" several days — of living through a specific period of time that yields no recollections whatsoever, despite the fact that others — family, friends, employers, etc. — know that this "lost" time period was passed, generally, in a normal manner.

I have encountered lately what I take to be UFO experiences of an hour of two — most likely abductions — in which the amnesia spreads, as it were, to include hunks of normal time on either side of the UFO experience. In other words, the abductee works or goes to school or whatever, but a two-hour abduction experience one evening wipes out three or four whole days of memory.

Amnesia in abduction cases seems to be a very inexact business, as if "they" are anaesthetists who have yet to figure out the proper dosages for us. Sincerely,

Budd Hopkins,
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U.S.A.
March 19, 1985

"Clear Intent"

Dear Mr. Creighton, — On behalf of Larry Fawcett and myself I want to express to you and the staff of *Flying Saucer Review* our most profound thanks for your enormous support of "CLEAR INTENT" in the last several issues of FSR.

We are going into a sixth printing in the U.S. and the book will soon appear in Japan and Australia. We are also urging our publisher to arrange for a British edition as soon as possible.

Response to the book has been excellent, but, alas, Government-stone-walling is still going on. Publicly, we are still getting the same old story about UFOs being no threat to national security, and *Project Blue Book* conclusions are still being mailed to enquiring citizens!

Yet, behind the scenes, when we confront them with compelling evidence, Government agencies have been forced to release more documentation on the UFO phenomenon. *They are quite sensitive to charges of "cover-up", and would rather risk releasing some lesser classified material than have "cover-up" brickbats thrown at them!*

Of course, the highly-classified data will remain just that until we can overwhelmingly prove that this documentation exists. We know it does but, in essence, we would have to provide an itemized list of it as evidence in support of our claims, with file numbers, dates, etc.

We at CAUS (CITIZENS AGAINST UFO SECRECY) anticipate the release of several thousand more documents this year, with some new data already coming from the FBI, the U.S. COAST GUARD, the STATE DEPARTMENT, and the NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY. We do have evidence of important early UFO studies by the AIR FORCE that have never seen the light of day.

The results of CAUS's new enquiries will appear in our newly-revived JUST CAUSE NEWSLETTER,* of which I enclose herewith Issues Nos. 1, 2, and 3 (September 1984, December 1984, and March 1985) for your files.

Again, our thanks for your enthusiastic support, and I promise more revelations on Government UFO involvement will be forthcoming.

On behalf of Larry Fawcett and myself,

Sincerely yours,
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March 24, 1985

**This new series of the JUST CAUSE Newsletters is issued quarterly and costs US\$10.00 for four issues (US\$15.00 foreign) and is available from them at P.O. Box 218, Coventry, Conn. 06238, USA. The Newsletter will chronicle new developments as they occur. As those who have read "CLEAR INTENT" already know, one of the ways*

in which you can block the public from making requests for release of documents under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act is by charging swingeing fees for such a service. The STATE DEPARTMENT, the CIA and NORAD (NORTH AMERICAN AEROSPACE DEFENCE COMMAND) are reportedly already leading the way in this respect, and one can visualize that there might be no limit to what they and other Departments might decide to charge.

EDITOR

Getting to the heart of the Matter?

Dear Sir, — Since your letter of 16 November 1984 to me, I have read the subsequent issues of FSR with renewed interest.

May I congratulate you, and all those concerned in the production of the magazine. The articles now appearing seem indeed to be getting to the heart — if that is possible — of the UFO phenomenon.

The contributions of such people as Antonio Ribera, Dr. Hynek, and you, yourself, are informative, to the point, and, I might say, courageous!

Keep up the good work.

Yours sincerely,
D. M. Spanton,
198A Heene Road,
Worthing, Sussex.
April 2, 1985

Thank you. We have extremely good reason for never forgetting the danger!

ED.

Personality changes after UFO experiences?

Dear Sir, — I was interested in one aspect of your report entitled "Abduction at Mirassol" (FSR, 30/1), namely the behaviour of the dog *Hongue*.

Apparently, due to the encounter, the dog's behaviour changed. Now the same sort of situation resulted after a figure approached the house at Ripperstone Farm, in the Stack Rocks case in South Wales in 1977. (See FSR Vol. 23, No. 6.)

Whatever the reason may have been, the Coombs family, as will be recalled, had to have *Blackie*, their labrador, put to sleep as he had become so unreliable. His original confidence had vanished.

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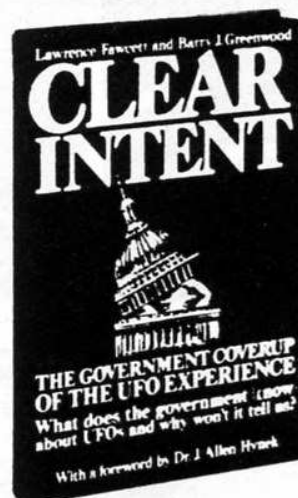
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These two cases — and I am sure more exist — raise an interesting question. If this sort of clearly apparent behaviour change occurs in animals, *what is happening to humans in close encounter situations?*

I personally know of six women who have been involved in abduction scenarios. Although I did not know them prior to their encounters, and am therefore unable to make comparisons, it is my personal opinion that significantly positive changes have resulted.

Is anyone studying this aspect of personality alteration and, to your knowledge, has anything been published that touches upon this subject? I would be interested to see your readers' comments.

Yours sincerely,
Graham Conway,
11102 River Road,
Delta,
British Columbia,
Canada, V4C 2S4,
March 8, 1985

Alas, I think reader Conway has touched upon a dangerous area. There is very strong evidence of the devastating effect on human beings of these experiences with alien creatures. I have no doubt that, if we knew more about what lies behind it, we would understand the reasons for many of the terrible things that happen in the world. Anyone delving into these questions must be very prudent. — EDITOR

Feds to the Rescue

Dear Mr. Creighton, — We are in receipt of your letter dated March 14, 1985. I am responding to your enquiry regarding a book which we of Ground Saucer Watch were reported to be publishing relative to the volume of Government documents obtained during various FOIA (*Freedom of Information Act*) activities and lawsuits on the subject of UFOs.

We have been receiving a lot of mail regarding a book soon to be released on the UFO subject. Since GSW has not made any formal announcements regarding the same, we investigated and found the source. It turned out that a tabloid magazine had printed a collage of five-year-old newspaper/magazine interviews with the writer, and hastily put together an article, loaded with misquotes and

bogus information. This was also printed without our permission.

We are upset about this unscrupulous journalistic endeavour because it wholly misrepresents the GSW position on the UFO subject. To briefly edify — in 1978/79, during the initial CIA/GSW lawsuit, it was announced that a book would be forthcoming on the documents obtained from the CIA. However, subsequent FOIA activity has revealed documents that negate the extraterrestrial hypothesis and provides new data to substantiate what we call the *Federal Hypothesis*.

Simply stated, the few bona fide "saucers" actually observed during the last forty years represent clandestine government technology testing, which we can support with technical reports and photos. There also exist documents which reveal that the government deliberately mislead the body politic about UFOs, which, in perspective, show that a group within the government (CIA) wanted everyone to believe in "flying saucers", to create a ruse to cover the testing. Getting people interested in UFOs was the easy part, the explanations for many UFO reports were so absurd that people could only believe that the authorities were overtly hiding the facts on saucers.

I know your magazine fully supports ETH* and may not be interested in this new wave of thinking within the "UFO community", but I wanted you to know our feelings on this subject.

GSW still plans a book in the future on UFOs and it will highlight the thousands of documents obtained to date, along with new venues of researching. I appreciate your interest in GSW and best of luck to your organisation.

Respectfully,
William H. Spaulding,
Ground Saucer Watch, Inc.,
13238 North 7th Drive,
Phoenix, Arizona 85029,
U.S.A.
March 25, 1985

**Golly! We didn't know we were ET buffs did we! But anyway, thank God the Feds are coming and, with all those immense swarms of U.S. Air Force saucers, hopefully they will be here in the nick of time, as the entire population of Britain has currently got rather more than moist pants at the overwhelming military might, in every branch, of Mr.*

Crookback over there in Moscow, whom they expect to be frying them at any moment now.
EDITOR

Beef Rations

Dear Sirs *et Al*, — I truly cannot express in words alone how exciting it is to receive your publication every trimester. I have been an avid fan of FSR for over seven years now and still can't get enough! I limit myself to one article per day to help stretch out my reading of FSR — like savoring a prime cut of beef and making it last longer.

I toast your fine efforts! Thank you!
Yours sincerely,
James M. Petit,
1533 Thornwood Drive,
Downers Grove, IL. 60516,
U.S.A.
March 23, 1985

Mr. Petit is too kind. But we can assure him we aren't everybody's prime cut of beef — not by a long chalk. — ED.

Goofballs from Ganymede

Dear Sir, — I have just read your paperback, "ENCOUNTER CASES FROM FSR" (1977), and was most impressed by the accounts where ETs acted like idiots.

My private suspicion is that Extraterrestrials are basically morons out for a good time.

Do you know, or can you refer me to, cases where behaviour is indicative of *Morons From Space*?

Are there goofballs from Ganymede? Bozos from Betelgeuse? Hope to hear from you soon with details of subscription rates.

Yours,
Allan Grise,
556 Lantana Av, Apt. 114,
Camarillo,
California 93010,
U.S.A.
March 26, 1985

We are confident that Ganymede has its goofballs and Betelgeuse its Bozos, though we admit we don't know whether they are having a good time. We don't know whether we are having one either. And we don't know of any UFOs from Outer Space.
ED.

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