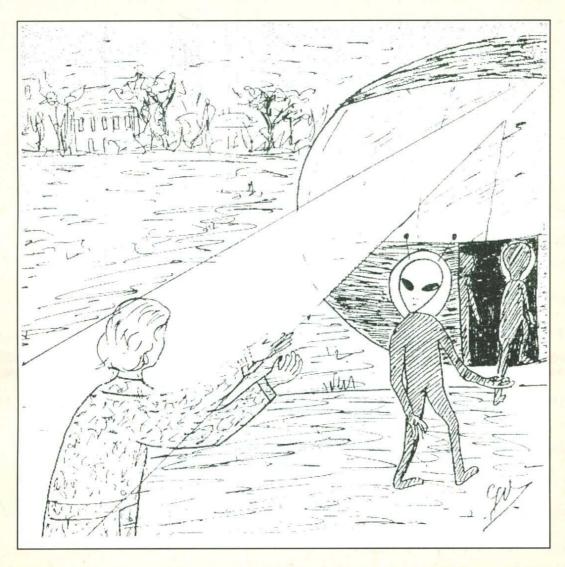
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EDITORIAL

THE DIVE FROM GREATNESS

n the opening line of China's great historical romance, THE STORY OF THE THREE KINGDOMS (SAN KUO CHIH YEN-I), we read:

"Empires wax and wane; States cleave assunder and coalesce. When the rule of Chou weakened, seven contending principalities sprang

up, warring together until they settled down as Ts'in, and when Ts'in's destiny had been fulfilled there arose Chu and Han to strive for mastery. And Han was the victor".

And so it is that nations and peoples, all the time, are rising into nobility and greatness for a brief while, sometimes producing a great civilization, and then going down again like spent rockets into degeneracy and oblivion.

How long it took for most of the great civilizations of the past (there have only been about 14 of them) to go down into decadence we can learn from our own history books. However one is sometimes tempted to wonder whether any of them ever went down so rapidly as civilization in Britain and America is now doing.

It seems unbelievable that this people which we see in Britain today is the people which stood with such tenacity and bravery in the Second World War, only half a century ago.

Violent crime in England and Wales is reported to now be worse than it is anywhere else in the entire world. (Daily Telegraph, April 3, 1997.)

Out of 11 industrialized countries, England and Wales top the list for burglaries, car thefts, and assaults. (*Daily Telegraph*, July 30, 1997. "Britain is the Car-Crime Black Spot of Europe".)

Drunkenness in British youth aged 13 to 16 is worse than in any country of Western Europe. (Evening Standard, July 17, 1997).

The total of inmates in Britain's gaols stood at 68,000 in March 1997, and is rising fast. A record figure, again a figure unequalled in any country in Western Europe in terms of proportion of population. (*Daily Telegraph*, July 26, 1997).

In Britain today, assault, rape, and murder, of young children, by other young children, is becoming nothing unusual. Also, women can be seized from cars in the middle of London and stuffed into a car-boot and taken off and raped or murdered.

Britain is a haven for criminals of all types, drug-barons, and terrorists, and our successive Governments have been too weak and pusillanimous to keep them out, just as they are totally unable to check the general influx of ordinary foreign individuals wanting to get in here and batten on the marvellous health and social services which we still have, on our free AIDS treatment, and so on. (So, how long do you imagine that we are going to possess such services?).

And, in common with almost all other Governments — I say *almost* — our Governments are patently far too scared of the Dark Forces that are the Ultimate Rulers of our world and so cannot extend proper protection to the law-abiding citizen, and dare not even exterminate even the most bestial and horrifying of criminals, all of whom have to be maintained for years in prisons at the honest citizen's expense. The gangsters and gunmen and terrorists have *carte blanche* to murder you and me. But you and I don't have *carte blanche* to protect ourselves.

With glee the Satanic Forces that rule our world watch the fast rising tides of paedophile murder, drugs, and unnatural sex. None of these things are anywhere near the level they will be at soon. Most significant of all is the latest news, a few days ago, that drugs are now getting into Britain's armed forces. Already under-manned, and having difficulty in recruiting new blood from our youth, they are finding -

when they do get them - that they are no longer physically as fit and robust as our youth used to be. (This is the brave nation that, half a century ago, stood alone against Hitler and dared him to do his worst).

With regard to the effects of drugs, there have recently been alarming cases (for example in Cyprus) of civilians being battered or murdered by members of the British Armed Forces. First it was our football louts, now it is our troops. No wonder that there is so little respect for us, and that our prestige is not precisely what it used to be! Our nation were once proud to call themselves British, and proud of this little country's quite amazing heritage and its stupendous achievements, not only in the fields of art and science and invention, but also in the administration of a far-flung, global empire that stands without its like in the history of the world and for which we have every reason to be proud.

Having gone down so far and so unbelievably fast, it would be foolish for any of us to imagine that the process will be halted. It must now continue to its logical end.

Meanwhile, those few who know "what to look out for", and "what to expect" in these times that are now upon us, will perhaps be wise to take extracareful note of the current volcanic eruption on the little island of Montserrat in the British West Indies. One might wish to disregard such an event as trivial, as a "feather in the wind", as nothing but "a tiny cloud on the horizon". However, it is not. Those who are aware of the extraordinary relationship that exists between the "inner state" of mankind and the "inner state" of his Home Planet, will perceive the very special meaning of this particular event in this particular part of the globe at this particular time. G.C.

DO FLYING TRIANGLES HAVE UNDERWATER BASES?

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eaders may not generally appreciate that we are now in the throes of what is almost a 'Flying Triangle' invasion. After something of an inauspicious arrival in the State of Missouri on the 18th November 1980, The FTs are being reported in increasing numbers worldwide.

Their arrival in Missouri and Kansas in 1980 caused consternation and awe, as hundreds of witnesses, including policemen, watched a huge craft, displaying a triangular pattern of lights, move slowly over the countryside for a period of four hours. It was seen over 22 towns and at one stage the huge craft appeared to be dropping what a local truck driver described as 'satellites', which appeared to be round and emitted a bluish glow.

The whole event was tracked on radar during the four hour period and must rate as one of the most awesome sightings to date. One witness describing the FT as being "as big as a football field." This then, was a portent of what was to come!

During January 1981 a huge boomerangeshaped craft was seen over Arizona, with one witness proclaiming that the object "was bigger than several football fields!" The 'V'-shaped craft were later reported over New York State and Connecticut in March 1983. Once again the craft was described as being "as big as two football fields" and, this time, the craft flashed its lights on and off, as though trying to attract attention.

Later came the 'Belgian Flap,' when huge triangular craft visited this small country during the period 1989/90. The SOBEPS Group (Société Belge d'Etudes des Phénomènes Spatiaux), were inundated with hundreds of reports during this period. Such was the efficiency of their organisation, that at one stage the Belgian Air Force asked for their co-operation and assistance! With SOBEPS members being widespread throughout the country, they were in a far better position to spot and report 'events' in their locality than the Belgian Air Force. It seems that SOBEPS acted in a similar way to the U.K's 'Royal Observer Corps' and at one stage had two F16 interceptor fighters placed at their disposal! This resulted in the F16s intercepting the 'Flying Triangles,' although they were completely unable to match the speed and manoeuvrability of the FTs, as subsequent cockpit radar film footage showed.

On the 26th September 1993 a huge 'Flying

Triangle' craft arrived over Bakewell in Derbyshire. Although there had been isolated reports over the U.K. prior to this event, it gave an indication of what we could expect in the near future.

On the night of the 26th September, the residents of Bakewell were treated to the sight of a huge black silent craft flying slowly over their town. With a bright white light on each corner of its triangular shape and numerous smaller lights running along the edges of the craft, it flew very low and at a speed of only 30 mph. (a witness driving his vehicle at 40 mph overtook it!) The FT craft then performed several slow manoeuvres over the town before returning to its original course and flying slowly out of sight. Just over three months later a British Airways passenger aircraft was 'buzzed' by a glowing triangular craft as it approached Manchester Airport!

The Flying Triangles then began to arrive in force, with 52 FT incidents being recorded in and around Derby from December 1994 to May 1995. This included FT craft hovering at night and shining down white beams of light onto the countryside.

Lights of this nature have been reported on numerous occasions, but it seems highly unlikely that they are a 'searchlight' as such. One can hardly imagine the Aliens peering through portholes under their craft and looking at the illuminated countryside. Our own present day satellites are capable of 'looking' down at the ground below, with the aid of new radar technology. Therefore the purpose of the FT 'searchlight' beam must be something else, but what? Witnesses have spoken of the FTs' white beam of light as sometimes "ending in mid-air, like a fluorescent tube."

As the number of FT reports have increased, a pattern has begun to emerge. The FT craft appear to be coming in over the East Coast of England and flying slowly across the countryside to various destinations before returning back out to sea a few hours later.

The latest information from the Essex UFO Research group under the able leadership of Ron West, (operating under Project FT co-ordinated by Victor J. Kean), states that since 1995, there have been reports of FT craft being seen entering and leaving the sea off the east coast, near Lowestoft. There have also been some 25 reports of lights seen moving under the surface of the sea in the same area. Could the FTs have an undersea base in this area? Certainly similar underwater activity has been reported from various parts of

the world. One startling coincidence has recently come to light and that is a number of references made to the subject of underwater bases by Larry Warren in his book 'Left at East Gate.'

The book deals primarily with the UFO incident in Rendlesham Forest, which took place in late December 1980, but Larry Warren then goes on to reveal a further event. It appears that after the Rendlesham Forest incident, he got himself into 'hot water' by telephoning his mother about the UFO landing. He was subsequently ordered to go to a certain parking lot on the base where he would be met by a dark blue sedan car. Larry subsequently arrived at the parking lot, saw the car and as he entered into the vehicle, he remembered a greenish glow and then, by all accounts, lost consciousness. He later recovered to find himself in an underground complex under the Woodbridge base, where he learnt from a black uniformed guard that it was part of a tunnel complex that led to the North Sea (p.61). Larry Warren was then taken into a strange darkened glass room, where he was contacted by a telepathic alien figure, partly hidden by a glowing screen. Larry then learnt that he was in an underground complex that had been built in the 1940s. The complex contained many aliens, with their human support personnel. Larry went on to state "The craft they travelled in entered and exited via an extensive tunnel system. One exit was a mile off Lowestoft, Suffolk, and another near Orford Key." (p.62)

If Larry's encounter with the alien is true and not an hallucination, could it mean that the aliens are controlling the 'Flying Triangle' craft that have been reported disappearing into the sea off Lowestoft? But do the facts add up?

Lowestoft is some 30 miles up the coast from the Woodbridge area; however Orford Key is only some 8 miles from the Woodbridge base. It seems unlikely that building a tunnel complex from Woodbridge to Lowestoft, (a project equal to the building of the Channel Tunnel) could have been undertaken in total secrecy. However the Orford Key project is more feasible and is within the realms of possibility.

Is there an underground base at the Air Force base at Woodbridge and does it have tunnels leading to the North Sea? Larry Warren claims that it does.

If'Left at East Gate' is a factual account of what happened to Larry Warren, then the implications of his story are inconceivable. Are the aliens here and if they are, what are they up

to? Will we ever know the truth?

MANY THINK BIBLE EXPLAINS ALIEN ABDUCTION. Even Some MUFON Researchers See "Spiritual Warfare".

[The following text is excerpted from an article in *Florida Today*, dated August 17, written by Rita Elkins. CNI News. Thanks, Stig Agermose, for sending us this item. Go to http://www.flatoday.com:80/space/to-day/081797b.htm for the full text.]

APE CANAVERAL, Fla. - Religious lead ers are alarmed about a growing train of thought that "wants us to reject traditional Judaeo-Christian ideas about God" in favor of benign "Space Brothers" who will save humanity from itself, writes journalist William M. Alnor in his book, "UFOs in the New Age" (Baker, Grand Rapids, Mich.).

Alnor concludes this new belief is a set-up for apocalyptic deceptions predicted in the Bible's *Book of Revelation*. He's not alone.

Magazine articles, books and even evangelists are engaging in Bible-based speculations about the nature and intention of entities that allegedly kidnap, paralyze, physically abuse and sometimes sexually molest victims — many of whom come to believe the experience was worthwhile.

"The similarity between the abduction experience and demonic possession is very, very close," says Joe Jordan, Brevard/Volusia State [section] Director for the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON). "These experiences these people are having are real. It does exist. But you just need to understand what's doing it."

Jordan and his partner, Wes Clark, have begun a research group called CE-4 (close encounters of the fourth kind), dedicated to studying alleged alien abductions. Its 15 members also belong to MUFON, but "nothing we do is necessarily sanctioned by [MUFON leadership]," says Clark, a quality control engineer at Kennedy Space Center.

Jordan, who works in product development and engineering for Sea Ray Boats, speaks calmly, his voice firm. Kooks don't get to be State [section] directors with science-oriented MUFON. "This whole thing is spiritual warfare. And the method the enemy's using is deception. Strong deception."

Last year he focused on CE-4 research, and encountered a Central Florida abductee whose otherwise-typical experience had one unique aspect. "They had stopped the experience while it was happening. In all the time I've been researching, I'd never heard that before."

Jordan and Clark swear they have three verifiable cases in which apparent abduction experiences were halted by believers who called on the name of Jesus. And Jordan says as many as 400 cases may be documentable nationwide.

"It makes you wonder: If these beings are extraterrestrial at all, why would they respond to that name?" Jordan asks. "We think we found the answer in the Bible, in *Mark 16:17* where Jesus said, 'In my name, they shall cast out demons.' That seems to be exactly what we came across."

Suddenly, the religious press is full of articles about UFOs.

The May cover story in Central Florida's *Discovery Christian* newspaper focused on UFOlogy theology, interviewing Berkeley-trained scientist and Christian author John Weldon.

July's *Charisma* magazine, a 200,000-plus circulation monthly, featured Christian evangelist and author Paul McGuire's article, *Alien Invaders*.

McGuire cites the evolution of author Whitley Streiber — from his first alien contacts in Communion, Transformation and Breakthrough to his latest titles, The Secret School: Preparations for Contact and Evenings with Demons — as an example of a progressive deception.

"Both the seemingly benign and the hostile entities... will play an increasing role in preparing a segment of humanity for the reception of the Antichrist," write bestselling authors David Allen Lewis and Robert Shreckhise in *UFO: End-Time Delusion* (New Leaf Press, 1991).

The cover of *The Agenda: The Real Reason They're Here* gives this premise: "In the near future, God will evacuate millions of people from the horrors to follow. Aliens will take the credit" for the Rapture, writes B. Fox, a MUFON researcher who resides in — of all places — Roswell, New Mexico.

Back in Titusville at the CE-4 office in Wes Clark's home, Joe Jordan and Clark continue to study, research and solicit abductees through the Internet and with classified ads in MUFON's UFO Journal.

"The one thing we can offer people in this field is hope. Hope that they can stop this experience," Jordan says.

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GREER, ADAMIAK OF CSETI BOTH STRUCK WITH CANCER.

The following message first appeared on the Internet in early July. At that time, CSETI director Dr. Steven Greer requested that it be circulated only to members and friends of the CSETI organization. Now Greer has given CNI News permission to circulate this message to our subscribers. The original text is reproduced in full. CNI News urges our readers to lend all possible support to Steven Greer and Shari Adamiak at this time.

-And we at FSR fully support this! -G.C.

ear Friends and Supporters of CSETI, Your support — both morally and financially — has been key to the success of CSETI and to the historic breakthroughs of the past few months. Now we need your help on another matter, which is quite urgent. Both myself and CSETI research director Shari Adamiak have been diagnosed with metastatic cancer. Both have appeared, rather enigmatically, at the same time, a fact which seems like a rather strange coincidence. (Not at all strange to me! -G.C.)

I have been diagnosed with metastatic malignant melanoma, and another [second] lesion was removed yesterday [July 2] and confirmed to be a malignant melanoma. The primary cancer has never been found. However, I am otherwise doing well and hope no further lesions will be found.

Shari has been diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer of the right breast, with metastasis to the right axilla. This situation is very serious and necessitates immediate interventions which will be costly. For this reason, I am setting up through CSETI a Healing Fund

to help pay for the expenses associated with Shari's condition. These funds will be used for the care and treatment for Shari until she achieves a full and complete healing. If you can donate even a small amount to this special fund, please do so now. Make the donation to CSETI and earmark it for the Healing Fund. Donations are tax-deductible. [see mailing address below]

And please remember both of us in your prayers. We are certain that, with your help, healing will be achieved and further historic successes realized.

Working together, I am certain that we can create a new civilization based on universal peace.

Wishing each of you the best of all worlds,

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BEDOUIN IN ISRAEL SAYS ALIENS MADE HIM MURDER HIS SON. By Barry Chamish.

[CNI News thanks Israeli journalist Barry Chamish for sending this story. Chamish can be emailed at chamish@netmedia.net.il]

t 3:30 AM, July 27, Saïd Karumi, a Bedouin Arab from Ofakim in Israel's Negev Desert, walked into the Beersheva Police Station holding his infant son. He told the receiving police officers, "Aliens are after me." He released one hand from around his son's waist and pointed to the sky.

He then exited the police station and walked to a nearby service station where he bought five shekels worth of fuel in a bottle. He continued on to an empty lot, doused himself and his son with the fuel and ignited both.

Saïd survived the flames but his son did not. When police arrived and asked him why he incinerated his son, he just pointed to the sky.

It was later discovered that he had never been treated for psychological disorders nor was he considered mentally unwell by the Ofakim Social Services office.

One could easily dismiss this incident as a simple case of a nut over-influenced by the media's obsession with aliens. However, the Bedouin are one of the few peoples left in Israel who cling to their traditions and are not under the deep persuasion of Western culture. (*-see footnote 1.)

Further, Karumi's was not the only case this year of a Beersheva Arab who claimed to have been in contact with what appear to be demonic aliens.

Last October 14, a Bedouin, Dr. Bashad, who is a European-educated physician, and his friend Massoud drove to Beersheva for a night of relaxation. They stopped to pick up what seemed to be a stranded driver by the side of the road. After Massoud asked

if he was in trouble, the "stranded driver" slapped his hand to the side of the door and it adhered tightly to it. Massoud stared at the stranger and screeched as he saw "a horribly mutated face." When Dr. Bashad caught a glimpse of the creature, he sped away trying to ditch it. But it leaped twenty feet in the air and readhered itself to the car. It clutched the speeding vehicle for several kilometres before disappearing.

The veracity of the incident is reinforced by the respected witnesses and by the fact that on the same night, another Arab ninety miles away had a similar experience. Abdul Alhazrad was driving near Jenin in the West Bank, when he spotted what he thought was a hitchhiker by the side of the road. He invited the hitchhiker inside and after he drove away, "To my shock, he changed into a man with a dog's head." The creature had long, floppy ears and one eye at the base of his dog-like nose. Alhazrad braked his car and ran away. The being followed him but soon after disappeared.

In the autumn of 1996, a wave of demonic creatures were seen at close distances by numerous Arabs (and two Jewish women in Tel Aviv). An actual UFO landing, witnessed by a family of Arabs in a village outside Haifa, was reported during this wave.(*-see footnote 2.)

Unlike the entire Israeli media, I am not automatically dismissing Karumi's murder of his son as the act of a madman. There have been too many similar "madmen" among Israeli and territorial Arabs in the past year. Karumi's case may fit a pattern noted by Dr. Jacques Vallee in his book *Passport to Magonia:*

"In the Soviet Union, not long ago, a leading plasma physicist died in strange circumstances. He was thrown under a Moscow subway train by a mentally deranged woman. It is noteworthy that she claimed "a voice from Space" had given her orders to kill that particular man - orders she could not resist. Soviet criminologists, I have been reliably informed, are worried by the increase of such cases in recent years... The current wave of mental imbalance that can be specifically tied to the rise and development of the contactee myth is an aspect of the UFO problem that must be considered with special care."

[The] wave of demon-like entities witnessed amongst Israeli Arabs in the past year has been characterized by the high quality of the testimony associated with it.

If one can generalize, Israeli-Jewish close encounters since 1993 have mostly been with giant entities (*-see footnote 2) and UFO activity has always accompanied the incidents, while Arabs of the region are mostly encountering grotesque monsters, with less direct UFO activity involved. Both the giants and the monsters are capable of disappearing into thin air.

NOTES BY EDITOR OF FSR.

- *1. A Bedouin (in Arabic *Bedawi*, singular, *Bedouin*, plural, is not a member of a special "nation", or even a special "tribe", but is simply a rural, "rustic", desert-dwelling Arab, in distinction from the far more sophisticated, urbanised Arabs of the towns.
- *2. See Barry Chamish's Special Report to FSR, Giants Encountered in Israel, in FSR 41/1 (1996). G.C.■

A VERY CLOSE ENCOUNTER: SHE TRIED TO CAPTURE AN ENTITY!

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Translation from French. G.C.

See illustration on front cover.

was talking about UFOs one day with a friend, when he recalled, and described to me, an old and extraordinary case that he had got from a woman whom he knew.

The story was indeed a highly interesting one, with very special features that immediately aroused the Ufologist in me. So I asked him whether she was still alive and where her home was?

He knew what her address had been at the time, but nothing more. As chance would have it, the lady is indeed still alive and at that same address. So I contacted her myself and she has told me all about it. At the present date she is 82 years old, but she has proved to be quite particularly precise and sure, with no useless digressions, and an astonishing intelligence and liveliness of mind. And here is her story:-

"It was 9.30 pm., one night in mid-February of 1956, and I was driving back alone in my car to Fresne from Choisy-le-Roi, along the 186 (B-class road at the time) after visiting my parents at Choisy-le-Roi. I no longer remember the precise date. I was 41 at the time, and was running a tannery business.

In those days the No. 7 A-class road was very different from now. It was being widened, and there is a roundabout there now (see sketch map of the area, just south of Paris).

"I was just about to start crossing the bridge over the No. 7. On the left hand was an inn — gone now. On the right, I had to pass up a slight incline, and it was at that point that I spotted something bright and shining, white, phosphorescent. There was a faint hissing noise that seemed to be connected with the object, which was suspended at maybe some 20 cms, or so off the ground of some waste land.

"I pulled up so as to get a closer look. And then I noticed a person about 1 m 30 or so high moving about near it. And there came into my mind the thought of flying saucers, of which there was occasional talk in the newspapers, and I got the sudden idea that maybe if I could *grab* an occupant and take him to the newspapers - what a fine thing that would be for *me*! Small and thin as the little chap appeared, he would not be very hard to carry!

"So, there and then, I opened my boot and got it ready to put my precious captive into it. And enchanted with my idea, I proceeded to try to pull it off.

"By now, around the machine, there were eight of them, engrossed in looking at something or other on the ground.

"The thing had the shape of a flattened pumpkin, with luminous facets that doubtless were windows. And I noticed two more of the beings, inside the machine. The others, outside, seemed to be studying the waste ground there.

"When they saw that, with no signs of fear, I was approaching them, they were off, 'as quick as rabbits,' into an opening in the base of the craft. The last one of them - the one I was aiming to grab turned round and fixed his big black eyes on me intensely, as if wanting to say something. (Grannie J.Z., be it noted, is an intrepid character! In her tannery she used to employ lots of prisoners from the Fresne gaol).

"But, just as I thought I was about to get him, a beam of light shot out from one of the windows on the upper part of the machine and engulfed me and paralysed me on the spot. I couldn't move any part of me except my eyes. And it was only then, for the firt time, that I really began to be scared.

"It is difficult to judge *time* during such conditions, so I don't know how long this lasted. But they had all gone into the machine, and then the brightness of the light beam started to fade, and I was able to back away and escape to my car. I got back to the car, and sat there, waiting. I don't know whether it was through fear or because I had been

paralysed again, for once more I couldn't move. I clearly heard a sort of scraping noise that sounded 'metallic' and was therefore no doubt their door closing.

"I went on waiting for a while - ten minutes or so, maybe. My car was parked on the grass verge beside the road, and I was desperately anxious to be gone. But I couldn't operate the gears, and was totally unable to leave.

"Then suddenly the hissing noise from the machine became intensely louder, and it slowly started to rise until it was at the height of the tops of the big plane trees fringing the Choisy-le-Roi Road.

"The machine stoppped momentarily, and then took off at top speed. To start with, the entire craft turned *orange*, and then passed to *red* as its speed increased. Immediately I was able to start the car, and I didn't even stop to see in which direction the machine had gone.

"Panic now caught up with me, and I decided to turn back and return to my parents in Choisy, and arrived there gasping and poured out my whole story to them.

"My father said: 'above all, don't tell anyone about it. You have your job to think of. They'd all laugh at you, and the Police would question you and harass you. Just drop the whole thing'.

"And I've never talked to anybody about it since, apart from two or three persons very close to me".

Then, without any prompting from me, Granny J.Z. went on to volunteer this further information to me:-

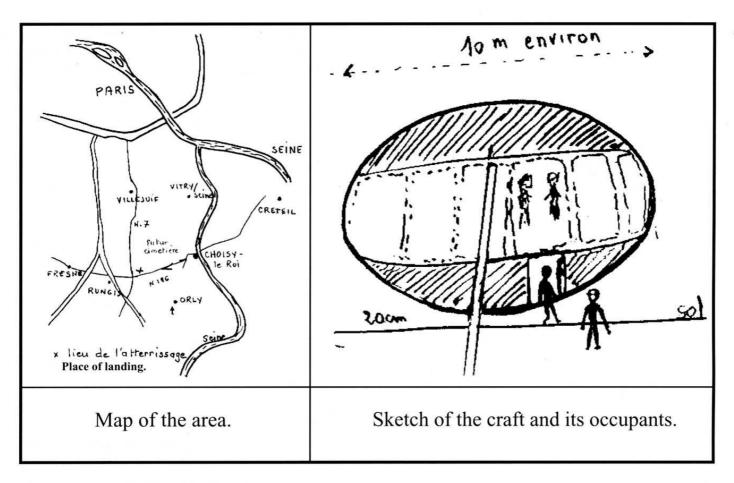
"Well now, after all that, I found that I was no longer quite the same as I had been. I was now more assured - even more intelligent. Every time that I came to a crossroads, when driving my car, I now knew what was going to come from other directions. Sometimes I would say to my husband: 'Look out! There's a big truck'... or 'a fast car is coming'. That was before anything was to be seen. And I was right every time. Sometimes, had we not slowed down, we would have had an accident. At the moment when danger looms, I get a little tickling feeling in the tips of my fingers.

And I also have premonitory dreams, with exact scenes, places, and subsequently I encounter those precise places."

I then asked her whether the light beam from the craft had injured her in any way.

"No!" she replied.

Then I asked her whether she had subsequently had any other encounters or sightings of lights in the



sky, but she recalled having observed nothing unusual.

I also asked if she had ever had dreams about the entities, or of finding herself in some unknown, brightly lit room, and of feeling that someone was examining her, and of having the impression of 'lost time.' But she replied that none of those things had ever happened to her.

DESCRIPTION OF THE BEINGS

From what she says, it seems that they were clad in greyish-blue tightly fitting one-piece combination garments. They had large and quite protuberant black eyes; almost no nose, but their nostril holes were visible and they had a slit where we have a mouth. And she said: "They were slim - as though they had no muscles. I didn't get a good view of their legs, but what I am sure of is that they had two arms, longer in proportion than is normal with us, and also that their heads were proportionately bigger than ours".

She went on: "I repeat, what I have just told you is all real, and I have added nothing to it".

I checked and compared all points in her story with the version that she had given to my friend a few years after the occurrence. Everything agreed entirely, except for one minor point - my friend said he thought she had said that the beings had 'jumped up' into the craft. I checked once more with Grannie J.Z. on this point, and she confirmed that they had not 'jumped', but she said she had the impression that they were moving so fast that she could not see

their legs at all.

She confirmed her description of the craft. Circular, flattened on top and below. The central part luminous and white, but not glaring. The other parts a 'metallic grey'.

The Orly Airport is quite near to where she had her encounter, and in my archives I found an important case from Orly, though it does not seem to be the same as what she saw. This Orly case was of a craft that, at 10.50pm on February 16, 1956 — the same year — had hung stationary above the Orly Airport. Grannie J.Z. had said the craft she saw was about 10 m. in diameter. In the Orly Airport case the control tower radar and the personnel agree in their estimate that the craft seen by them was 'twice the size of an aircraft of that period'. So it looks as though two different types of machine were observed.

(The accompanying sketch of Grannie J.Z.'s experience was made by my friend who went along with her when she visited the spot again.)

[My details on the Orly Airport case were taken from the book LE DOSSIER DES OVNI, by the wellknown French ufologist Henri Durrant. The passage reads as follows:

PARIS-ORLY (France). February 19, 1956, 22h.50 (local time). A very cold but clear night. At 22h.50 an abnormal echo reveals the presence of a flying object twice the size of the largest aircraft of the period, behaving in a fashion totally different from anything hitherto known to the radar operator. The object comes down slowly, remains stationary in the

air, and later departs suddenly at a fantastic speed. Then another echo, a familiar one, appears on the screen - a *Douglas Dakota* of Air France, flying on the regular Paris-London line.

The Orly Radar Tower tells the *Dakota* pilot that a UFO is present on the plane's approximate course. Then the *Dakota's* radio officer, Beaupertuis, sees, through a porthole, on the starboard side, a flash from the UFO just as he is passing the Radar Tower's message to the captain of the plane. The UFO is enormous, its outline a bit hazy, and it is lit up with a reddish luminescence. The sighting lasts for a good half-minute. It is not an aeroplane, for it bears no detectable navigation lights. Radio Orly next signals that the UFO is passing on the port side of the *Dakota*. Then, ten minutes later, it gives the UFO's position as several kilometres above the aircraft. The *Dakota's* crew can no longer see it.

The *Dakota's* captain, Capt. Desavoi, sent a report to the Minister for Civil Aviation. At Paris-Orly Airport, the radar crew tracked the UFO for four

hours over a thirty-minute span, but neither Le Bourget (Paris Airport) nor the Paris-Meudon Observatory picked it up on their screens. [Translated from *The Flying Saucer Story*. by the Hon. Brinsley le Poer Trench, Editor of FSR, 1956 - 1959, pages 40 and 41; résumé]. C.R

NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR

In an accompanying letter, Monsieur Raffy gives more details about this 82-year-old French lady. He says that she still looks astonishingly young, (and the suggestion is that this may have been due to her extraordinary contact?) She has a husband who is 35 years younger!

She is still capable of long car drives of 1,000 kms. without a stop and, as stated in the article, has marked capacity for clairvoyance and precognition. She was totally familiar with the area where her contact took place, because she was driving over that same route almost daily. G.C.

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CORRECTION OF GRIEVOUS ERROR.

We find a well-nigh inexplicable error in our last editorial (FSR 42/2), where we have transported the holy site of Menwith Hill from Yorkshire into the "western wilderness of Shropshire" -no offence meant, of course!

We say "well-nigh inexplicable", for it is an established fact, known to all who have had "Intelligence" dealings with the Commie governments of the USSR, China, and their satellites, that for years they did follow this very practice. Unbelievable as it may sound, in the hope of making us evil Western Imperialists waste our bombs and missiles, they frequently "displaced", on their maps, towns containing arms plants and military installations, sometimes by as much as fifty miles, or even more!

So, I suspect that, lurking somewhere in FSR's total staff (from two up to, very occasionally, $ten\ hands$) we have a Soviet mole. A witch hunt shall be launched at once, and a purge must follow...G.C.

THE EXTRAORDINARY AFFAIR OF THE US AIR FORCE ACADEMY'S OWN UFO

TEXT-BOOK IN THE 1960s: PART II, the text continues. For part I see FSR Vol. 42/1.

OPERATIONAL DOMAINS -- TEMPORAL AND SPATIAL.

That we will do here is to present evidence that UFOs are a global phenomenon which may have persisted for many thousands of years. During this discussion, please remember that, the more ancient the reports, the less sophisticated the observer.

Not only were the ancient observers lacking the terminology necessary to describe complex devices (such as present-day helicopters) but they were also lacking the concepts necessary to understand the true nature of things such as television, spaceships, rockets, nuclear weapons and radiation effects. To some, the most advanced technological concept was a war chariot with knife blades attached to the wheels.

By the same token, the very lack of accurate terminology and description leaves the more ancient reports open to considerable misinterpretation, and it may well be that present evaluations of individual reports are completely wrong, Nevertheless, let us start with an intriguing story in one of the oldest chronicles of India... the Book of Dzyan.

This book is a group of "story teller" legends which were finally gathered in manuscript form when Man learned to write. One of the stories is of a small group of beings who supposedly came to Earth many thousands of years ago in a metal craft which orbited Earth several times before landing. As told in the book, "These beings lived to themselves and were revered by the humans among whom they had settled. But eventually differences arose among them and they divided their numbers, several of the men and women and some children settling in another city, where they were promptly installed as rulers by the awe-stricken populace."

"Separation did not bring peace to these people, and finally their anger reached a point where the ruler of the original city took with him a small number of his warriors, and they rose into the air in a huge shining metal vessel. While they were many leagues from the city of their enemies they launched a great shining lance that rode on a beam of light. It burst apart in the city of their enemies with a great ball of flame that shot up to the heavens, almost to the stars. All those who were in the city were horribly burned, and even those who were not in the city -but nearby- were burned also. Those who looked upon the lance and the ball of fire were blinded forever afterward. Those who entered the city on foot became ill and died.

Even the dust of the city was poisoned, as were the rivers that flowed through it. Men dared not go near it, and it gradually crumbled into dust and was forgotten by men.

"When the leader saw what he had done to his own people he retired to his palace and refused to see anyone. Then he gathered about him those of his warriors who remained, and their wives and children, and they entered into their vessels and sailed away. Nor did they return."

Could this foregoing legend really be an account of an extraterrestrial colonisation, complete with guided missile, nuclear warhead and radiation effects? It is difficult to assess the validity of that explanation... just as it is difficult to explain why Greek, Roman and Nordic mythology all discuss wars and conflicts among their "Gods". (Even the Bible records conflict between the legions of God and Satan.)

Could it be that each group recorded their parochial view of what was actually a global conflict among alien colonists or visitors? Or is it that Man has led such a violent existence that he tends to expect conflict and violence among even his gods?

Evidence of perhaps an even earlier contact was uncovered by Tschi Pan Lo (*1) of the University of Peking. He discovered astonishing carvings in granite on a mountain in Hunan Province and on an island in Lake Tungting. These carvings have been evaluated as 47,000 years old (*2), and they show people with large trunks (breathing apparatus?)... or "elephant" heads shown on human bodies? Remember, the Egyptians often represented their gods as animal heads on human bodies.

Only 8000 years ago rocks were sculpted in the Tassili plateau of Sahara, depicting what appeared to be human beings, but with strange round heads (helmets? or "sun" heads on human bodies?)

And even more recently, in the Bible, *Genesis* (6:4) tells of angels from the sky mating with women of Earth, who bore them children. *Genesis* (19:3) tells of Lot meeting two angels in the desert and his later feeding them at his house. The Bible also tells a rather unusual story of Ezekiel who witnessed what has been interpreted by some to have been a spacecraft or aircraft landing near the Chebar River in Chaldea (593 B.C.).

Even the Irish have recorded strange visitations. In the *Speculum Regali* in Konungs Skuggsa (and

other accounts of the era about 956 A.D.) are numerous stories of "demon ships" in the skies. In one case a rope from one such ship became entangled with part of a church. A man from the ship climbed down the rope to free it, but was seized by the townspeople. The bishop made the people release the man, who climbed back to the ship, where the crew cut the rope and the ship rose and sailed out of sight. In all of his actions the climbing man appeared as if he were swimming in water. Stories such as this make one wonder if the legends of the "little people" of Ireland were based upon imagination alone.

About the same time, in Lyons (France) three men and a woman supposedly descended from an airship or spaceship and were captured by a mob. These four foreigners admitted to being wizards, and were killed. (No mention is made of the methods employed to extract the admissions.) Many documented UFO sightings occurred throughout the Middle Ages, including an especially startling one of a UFO over London on 16 December 1742. However, we do not have room to include any more of the Middle Ages sightings. Instead, two "more recent" sightings are contained in this section to bring us up to modern times.

In a sworn statement dated 21 April 1897, a prosperous and prominent farmer named Alexander Hamilton (Le Roy, Kansas, USA) told of an attack upon his cattle at about 10.30 pm the previous Monday. He, his son, and his tenant grabbed axes and ran some 700 feet from the house to the cow-lot where a great cigar-shaped ship about 300 feet long floated some 30 feet above the cattle. It had a carriage underneath which was brightly lighted within (dirigible and gondola?) and which had numerous windows. Inside were six strange-looking beings jabbering in a foreign language.

These beings suddenly became aware of Hamilton and the others. They immediately turned a searchlight on the farmer, and also turned on some power which sped up a turbine wheel (about 30 ft diameter) located under the craft.

The ship rose, taking with it a two-year-old heifer which was roped about the neck by a cable of one-half inch thick, red material. The next day a neighbor, Link Thomas, found the animal's hide, legs and head in his field. He was mystified at how the remains got to where they were because of the lack of tracks in the soft soil. Alexander Hamilton's sworn statement was accompanied by an affidavit as to his veracity. The affidavit was signed by ten of the local leading citizens.

On the evening of 4 November 1957 at Fort Itaipu, Brazil, two sentries noted a "new star" in the sky. The "star" grew in size and within seconds

stopped over the fort. It drifted slowly downward, was as large as a big aircraft, and was surrounded by a strong orange glow. A distinct humming sound was heard, and then the heat struck. One sentry collapsed almost immediately, the other managed to slide to shelter under the heavy cannons where his loud cries awoke the garrison. While the troops were scrambling towards their battle-stations, complete electrical failure occurred. There was panic until the lights came back on but a number of men still managed to see an orange glow leaving the area at high speed. Both sentries were found badly burned... one unconscious and the other incoherent, suffering from deep shock.

Thus UFO sightings not only appear to extend back 47,000 years through time but also are global in nature. One has the feeling that this phenomenon deserves some sort of valid scientific investigation, even if it is a low level effort.

SOME THEORIES AS TO THE NATURE OF THE UFO PHENOMENON

There are very few cohesive theories as to the nature of UFOs. Those theories that have been advanced can be collected in five groups:

- a. Mysticism
- Hoaxes, and rantings due to unstable personalities
- c. Secret weapons
- d. Natural Phenomena
- e. Alien visitors

MYSTICISM.

It is believed by some cults that the mission of UFOs and their crews is a spiritual one, and that all materialistic efforts to determine the UFOs' nature are doomed to failure.

HOAXES AND RANTINGS DUE TO UNSTABLE PERSONALITIES.

Some have suggested that all UFO reports were the results of pranks and hoaxes, or were made by people with unstable personalities. This attitude was particularly prevalent during the time period when the Air Force investigation was being operated under the code name of Project Grudge. A few airlines even went as far as to ground every pilot who reported seeing a "flying saucer". The only way for the pilot to regain flight status was to undergo a psychiatric examination. There was a noticeable decline in pilot reports during this time interval, and a few people interpreted this decline to prove that UFOs were either hoaxes or the result of unstable personalities. It is of

interest that NICAP (The National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena) even today still receives reports from commercial pilots who neglect to notify either the Air Force or their own airline.

There are a number of cases which indicate that not all reports fall in the hoax category. We will examine one such case now. It is the Socorro, New Mexico, sighting made by police sergeant Lonnie Zamora.

Sergeant Zamora was patrolling the streets of Socorro on 24 April 1964 when he saw a shiny object drift down into an area of gullies on the edge of town. He also heard a loud roaring noise which sounded as if an old dynamite shed located out that way had exploded. He immediately radioed police headquarters, and drove out toward the shed.

Zamora was forced to stop about 150 yards away from a deep gully in which there appeared to be an overturned car. He radioed that he was investigating a possible wreck, and then worked his car up onto the mesa and over toward the edge of the gully. He parked short, and when he walked the final few feet to the edge, he was amazed to see that it was not a car but instead was a weird egg-shaped object about fifteen feet long, white in color and resting on short, metal legs. Beside it, unaware of his presence, were two humanoids dressed in silvery coveralls. They seemed to be working on a portion of the underside of the object.

Zamora was still standing there, surprised, when they suddenly noticed him and dived out of sight around the object. Zamora also headed the other way, back toward his car. He glanced back at the object just as a bright blue flame shot down from the underside. Within seconds the egg-shaped thing rose out of the gully with "an earsplitting roar". The object was out of sight over the nearby mountains almost immediately, and Sergeant Zamora was moving in the opposite direction almost as fast when he met Sergeant Sam Chavez who was responding to his earlier radio calls. Together they investigated the gully and found the bushes charred and still smoking where the blue flame had jetted down on them.

About the charred area were four deep marks where the metal legs had been. Each mark was three and one-half inches deep, and was circular in shape. The sand in the gully was very hard-packed so no sign of the humanoids' footprints could be found. An official investigation was launched that same day, and all data obtained supported the stories of Zamora and Chavez. It is rather difficult to label this episode a hoax, and it is also doubtful that both Zamora and Chavez shared portions of the same hallucination.

SECRET WEAPONS.

A few individuals have proposed that UFOs are actually advanced weapon systems, and that their natures must not be revealed. Very few people accept this as a credible suggestion.

NATURAL PHENOMENA.

It has also been suggested that at least some, and possibly all, of the UFO cases were just misinterpreted manifestations of natural phenomena. Undoubtedly this suggestion has some merit. People have reported, as UFOs, objects which were conclusively proven to be balloons (weather and skyhook), the planet Venus, man-made artificial satellites, normal aircraft, unusual cloud formations and lights from ceilometers (equipment projecting light beams onto cloud bases to determine the height of the aircraft visual ceilings).

It is also suspected that people have reported mirages, optical illusions, swamp gas and ball lightning (a poorly-understood discharge of electrical energy in a spheroidal or ellipsoidal shape... some discharges have lasted for up to fifteen minutes but the ball is usually no bigger than a large orange).

But it is difficult to tell a swamp dweller that the strange, fast-moving light he saw in the sky was swamp gas; and it is just as difficult to tell a farmer that a bright UFO in the sky is the same ball lightning that he has seen rolling along his fence wires in dry weather. Thus accidental mis-identification of what might well be natural phenomena breeds mistrust and disbelief; it leads to the hasty conclusion that the truth is deliberately not being told.

One last suggestion of interest has been made, that the UFOs were plasmoids from space... concentrated blobs of solar wind that succeeded in reaching the surface of Earth. Somehow this last suggestion does not seem to be very plausible; perhaps because it ignores such things as penetration of Earth's magnetic field.

ALIEN VISITORS.

The most stimulating theory for, us is that the UFOs are material objects which are either "manned" or remote-controlled by beings who are alien to this planet. There is some evidence supporting this viewpoint. In addition to police sergeant Lonnie Zamora's experience, let us consider the case of Barney and Betty Hill.

On a trip through New England they lost two hours on the night of 19 September 1961 without even realizing it. However, after that night both Barney and Betty began developing psychological problems which eventually grew sufficiently severe that they submitted themselves to psychiatric examination and treatment. During the course of

treatment hypnotherapy was used, and it yielded remarkably detailed and similar stories from both Barney and Betty. Essentially they had been hypnotically kidnapped, taken aboard a UFO, submitted to two-hour physicals, and released with posthypnotic suggestions to forget the entire incident. The evidence is rather strong that this is what the Hills, even in their subconscious, believe happened to them. And it is of particular importance that after the "posthypnotic block" was removed, both of the Hills ceased having their psychological problems.

The Hills' description of the aliens was similar to descriptions provided in other cases, but this particular type of alien appears to be in the minority. The most commonly described alien is about three and one-half feet tall, has a round head (helmet?), arms reaching to or below his knees, and is wearing a silvery space suit or coveralls. Other aliens appear to be essentially the same as Earthmen, while still others have particularly wide (wrap-around) eyes and mouths with very thin lips. And there is a rare group reported as about four feet tall, weight of around 35 pounds, and covered with thick hair or fur (clothing?). Members of this last group are described as being extremely strong.

If such beings are visiting Earth, two questions arise: 1) why haven't there been accidents which have revealed their presence, and 2) why haven't they attempted to contact us officially? The answer to the first question may exist partially in Sergeant Lonnie Zamora's experience, and may exist partially in the Tunguska meteor discussed in Chapter XXIX.

In that chapter it was suggested that the Tunguska meteor was actually a comet which exploded in the atmosphere, the ice melted and the dust spread out. Hence, no debris! However, it has also been suggested that the Tunguska meteor was

actually an alien spacecraft that entered the atmosphere too rapidly, suffered mechanical failure, and lost its power supply and/or weapons in a nuclear explosion. While that hypothesis may seem farfetched, samples of tree rings from around the world reveal that, immediately after the Tunguska meteor explosion, the level of radioactivity in the world rose sharply for a short period of time. It is difficult to find a natural explanation for that increase in radioactivity, although the suggestion has been advanced that enough of the meteor's great kinetic energy was converted into heat (by atmospheric friction) that a fusion reaction occurred.

This still leaves us with no answer to the second question: why no contact? That question is very easy to answer in any of several ways: 1) we may be the object of intensive sociological and psychological study. In such studies you usually avoid disturbing the test subjects' environment; 2) you do not "contact" a colony of ants, and humans may seem that way to any aliens (variation; a zoo is fun to visit, but you don't "contact" the lizards); 3) such contact may have already taken place secretly; and 4) such contact may have already taken place on a different plane of awareness and we are not yet sensitive to communications on such a plane. These are just a few of the reasons. You may add to the list as you desire.

FOOTNOTES BY G.C:

- *1) It is quite impossible to identify this individual described as "of the University of Peking".
- "Tschi" is not identifiable as a correct Chinese name.
- *2) This statement is patently complete rubbish; nothing historical is known so far back.

(Third & final part of article will be in next issue.)■

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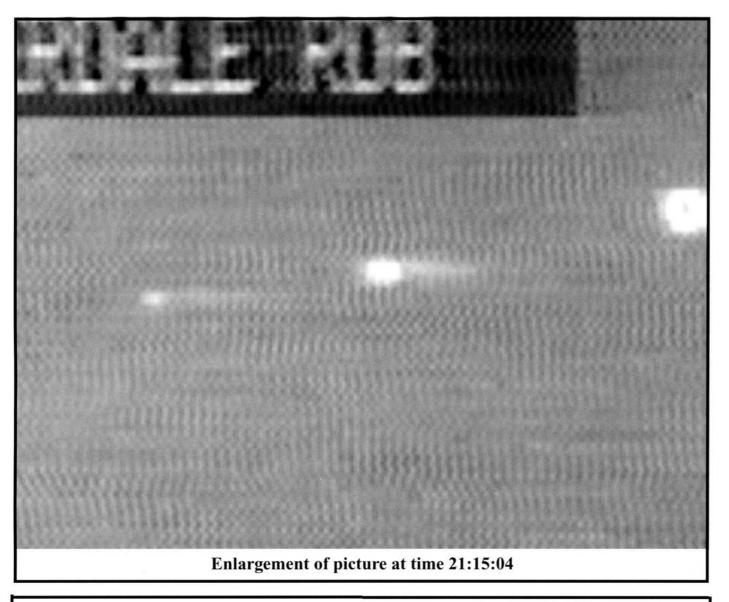
s FSR readers will all surely be aware, we have large quantities of material, gathered over many years past, and not only in English but in several other languages, all of which requires to be examined and evaluated and — if found useful — published. This backlog remains chiefly untended for the very simple reasons that (a) we lack the necessary page-space for publishing, and (b) that there is nobody to do the job.

Unfortunately FSR's tiny staff includes no

many-armed Shivas or Buddhas.

The case described below, and dating from nine years ago, is typical. I offer no apologies for not having issued it earlier. I have had it in mind all along since 1988, but it needed a lot of preparation and consequently it repeatedly got 'elbowed out' by other items. There was also the additional problem that a video is involved, and I had always been hoping that I would finally find someone who could advise me about certain features of it. EDITOR.

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PHASE I: THE RICKMANSWORTH STORY (Friday, March 4, 1988)

On Thursday March 10, 1988, the *Watford & West Herts Review* carried the following remarkable item about happenings of the previous week:-

FLYING RIDDLE: REPORTS OF A UFO SIGHTING OVER RICKMANSWORTH JAMMED POLICE SWITCHBOARDS ON FRIDAY

The 999 callers were told of a collection of mysterious lights in the night sky. But the evidence of the UFOs, caught on a M25 motorway observation video, is to remain stashed away on a tape in Police records and is not being released.

Chief Inspector Chris Partridge of Herts Police, who has seen the taped encounter, said the sighting occurred between 9.00 p.m. and 9.40 p.m.

"There were several bright lights seen in the sky which we have not been able to explain, having spoken to air traffic controllers in the area, who could not establish what they were", he said. "Two lights were moving and two others were stationary. We had a Police car in the area and we trained a camera into the sky. But the tapes will stay in our records. We have made every effort to find out what it was, but haven't come up with anything, and it didn't cause any difficulties in the area".

I wrote a couple of letters to the newspaper about the case, one of which they printed on April 7.

In the meantime however, on March 17, the same newspaper had published the following letter from a woman living at Carpenders Park, Watford, about something that she had seen on that very same day on which the big spherical UFOs (the Police confirmed that there were six of them) had been over the area, namely March 4:-

Watford and West Herts Review, March 17, 88 'I SAW FLYING SAUCER'

A Carpenders Park woman has given a graphic account of her sighting of a UFO hovering above her street.

Daphne Knapp, 54, of St. George's Drive, saw the 20-metre long object on the same evening that a group of mysterious lights, reported in last week's *Review*, were caught on a Police video over Rickmansworth. Said Mrs. Knapp: "I went to my front door around 9.40 p.m. and saw this shining green object coming down towards me just in front of the houses (all bungalows) and just above the level of their rooftops. It was flat-bottomed with two red lights on the rear end, that were not flashing like an aircraft's lights. I have never seen anything like it, and wish I had had a film in my camera."

She said the unidentified craft emitted a humming sound and was travelling slowly. "I have never believed what others have said about UFOs, but after seeing *that* I'm convinced."

Police have refused to release photographs from the video of the sighting over Rickmansworth on March 4.

Gordon Creighton, Rickmansworth-based editor of the *Flying Saucer Review* magazine, said the filmed sighting was one of many of its kind. "The Police and the Government have a policy of not releasing details of their sightings".

Accompanied by Brian Drummond of Croxley Green, a long-standing reader and supporter of FSR, I called upon Mrs. Daphne Knapp the next day. We walked with her the length of her road, St. George's Drive, as she showed us how the boat-shaped craft had sailed over, parallel with the gables of the low bungalow house-fronts, just a few feet above all the front-gardens, all the way along the road, and she made a sketch of it for us. We found her a sprightly, intelligent lady, on the staff of the nearby yards of British Rail. Her account was one of the most convincing that I have ever heard.

On the following day after the appearance of Mrs. Knapp's report in the *Watford and West Herts Review*, a more important and "senior" rival local weekly paper, namely the *Watford Observer* (which, as we know very well over the years, has always done its very best to denigrate and stifle all reports of UFO sightings) had an item (March 18, 1988) under big headlines, "NO E.T. — NO COMMENT", and informing readers that:-

"Rumours of a UFO sighting above the M25 are just pie in the sky". The article went on to say that the conclusion of the *Watford Observer's* experts was — you've guessed it! — *that it was the planet Venus*.

But the paper also said that:-

At the Crime Prevention Office in Welwyn Garden City the Police spokesman said the video which had captured the light was still being kept tightly under wraps.

And an official spokesman still refused to be drawn on the origins of the controversial sighting.

"We are still very open-minded about it all. As far as we are concerned, there is no logical explanation", he said.

Five days later, (March 23, 1988) the Observer's weekly free issue (Watford Weekly Observer) neatly wound the whole story up and disposed of it:-

UFO DOWN TO VENUS

Experts have scotched fears about a round white light spotted above Rickmansworth. Passers-by thought the light was a UFO but experts say there is no cause for alarm, the light was simply a planet — probably Venus.

[Note the very important point that, by adroit manoeuvring, we are now down from "several lights" (terribly dangerous!) to the nice comfortable and safe term "one light". G.C.]

On March 26 and May 9 I wrote to the Editor of the *Watford Observer* giving the facts of the case and protesting at his biased reporting. I was able to do this because by April 9 I had already had the opportunity to see and examine the Police video for myself as well as their main records of the affair. Needless to say my letters to the paper were unanswered and my protest ignored. (An "interesting" report could be compiled on the general policy of this newspaper towards us and "our subject" over the years. It might indeed prove difficult to find a provincial newspaper in Britain that has a more "impeccable record" in this respect for obeying instructions.)

A recent case, at the end of 1993 and early in January 1994, is highly instructive. A local resident, a professional lady in the medical field, and her fiancé (a doctor) and her mother, all saw, and observed at considerable length, a large craft (also spherical) hanging stationary above the NATO Headquarters at Northwood, close by Rickmansworth, on the evening of December 28, 1993. She made two attempts to induce the paper to publish her account, but in vain.

On the other hand, the newspaper subsequently published — and with alacrity — the story of a local couple who saw one of Mr. Richard Branson's famous little airships ("lightships") flying over Rickmansworth and felt sure that they had seen a "UFO".

One can indeed perceive that there might well be folk in Whitehall, and also "elsewhere", who are quite grateful to Mr. Branson for "confusing the issue" so adroitly, for we have had many telephone calls from the London area in the winter of 1995/6 about the "UFOs shaped like airships" that they had been observing!).

PHASE II: THE GATWICK STORY (Friday, March 4, 1988)

In the meantime, other events, some of them probably known to the Hertfordshire Police if not to the valiant chaps at the *Watford Observer*, had been occurring on that very same evening, and not many miles away, capable of supplying much egg for certain faces. Because a tremendous "thing" had been hanging in the sky for four hours, near Gatwick Airport in Surrey (south of London), one of Britain's largest air terminals, and had then slowly moved away towards ... wait for it! ... WATFORD!

On March 14 and 16 respectively, FSR readers David Tilt of Seaford, East Sussex, and D.J. Haskins of Coulsden, Surrey, had sent me photostats of the following press report as recorded on half of the front page of the weekly newspaper SURREY MIRROR (REIGATE & REDHILL EDITION) of Thursday March 10, 1988: See page 18.

III CONCLUSIONS

The video and the other material (textual) which I have been able to study at great length, over a considerable period of time, show clearly that there were at least three large white spheres present simultaneously, either totally stationary or moving about, sometimes very slowly indeed and sometimes extremely fast, in the night sky over Rickmansworth, which lies slightly to the north-west of London. The video also shows clearly that in fact a total of six such large white spheres make an appearance during the total period covered by the camera. But two of them come into the picture briefly and then withdraw from it in the direction from which they had come. These last two might therefore have been one and the same craft, so it is possible that the total number of spheres involved might have been only four, and not six (which is the figure given in some of the Police documentation). Anyway, you can bet your boots that the whole affair makes Venus a very fine candidate. In nearly fifty years of Ufology I have seen her entrusted with many a splendid role to play, but this one seems the best of all yet!

If we have the space available, I propose to return to this story at a later date and give more details of the confidential papers relating to it which I have read. In the meantime I reproduce here some stills from the famous video showing certain "things" that, quite clearly, SIMPLY *HAD* TO BE VENUS BECAUSE THE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS AT GATWICK AND HEATHROW AIRPORTS, TWO OF THE GREATEST AIRPORTS IN THE WORLD, CLAIM TO BE TOTALLY UNABLE TO TELL US *WHAT ELSE* THEY MIGHT HAVE

BEEN!

With regard to the question of UFO sightings over and around airports, we have for years past been receiving vague stories. By now such visits to our airports must be pretty well daily occurrences for the traffic controllers.

FINAL NOTE BY EDITOR, FSR (Sept. 1997)

So here at last is my report, complete with "stills" of the things seen over Rickmansworth!

The key-witness who gave the "Gatwick Story" to the *Surrey Mirror* was Mr Joe Clarke, at that date residing at 35 West Street, Reigate, and then aged 35. He was described as "a caretaker at East Surrey College's School of Art."

The writer of the Sunday Mirror's front-page report, under the banner headlines "MYSTERY IN THE SKY: UFO SIGHTING CONFIRMED BY GATWICK RADAR", was named in the paper as Christine Milne.

The paper informed me recently (August 1997) that Christine Milne left them years ago, and they have no idea of where she is now.

As for Mr Joe Clarke, when I contacted the School of Art of Surrey College a few years ago, they said he no longer worked for them, but confirmed that he had done so, and they promised to pass on a letter to him from me!

Owing to our heavy work load I have had to drop this case for a while. Then, on May 21st of this year, I finally sent such a letter to Mr Clarke c/o the Principal of the East Surrey College at Redhill.

Three months later (August 21,1997) the principal of the college replied to me, stating that they were most sorry to say that, after an extensive search of their files, they now had to tell me that they "can find no trace of Mr Joe Clarke ever having been employed by East Surrey College".

I think therefore that this proves that all access to Mr Joe Clarke has been efficiently blocked off, on receipt of special instructions, and that there is no point in my wasting my time and energy on finding Mr Clarke. (If we ever did find him we would probably hear him saying that he never gave any such story to the Surrey Mirror, and never in his life saw anthing big in the sky over Gatwick. G.C.

TRIBUTE TO "EVE".

We are overwhelmed by all the letters and cards from readers and friends of FSR.

Thank you for your massive expression of support. G.C.■

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UFO SIGHTING CONFIRMED BY GATWICK RADAR MYSTERY IN THE SKY

A STRANGE UFO for. hung ominously over the Reigate area for four hours on Friday evening.

Two very bright white lights shone out from the unknown object which a Reigate man estimated to be nearly 200 feet across.

stationery over the Buckland area, the craft slowly moved away to the north west.

The UFO could also be seen by people in Redhill and Dorking, and New Scotland Yard had had reports of sightings from there, hanging as far away as Watford somewhere and Wimbledon.

And Gatwick Airport radar controllers said relative in Dorking who something showed on their radar screens which and his father and sister

"It was so strange", said Mr Joe Clarke, aged 35, from West Street, Reigate. "It was an ominous presence because it was something that should not have been there."

The night-time drama began at 6pm when Mr After hovering almost Clarke's wife and daughter told him they could see two parallel bright lights approaching in the sky from the west.

> He didn't take much notice, but when he went into the garden an hour later the lights were still over Buckland.

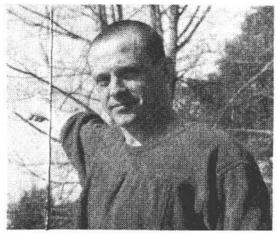
He telephoned a could also see the lights, they could not account in Redhill spotted them **By Christine** Milne

From the distance between the lights, and by taking bearings from various objects in the landscape, Mr Clarke reckoned the UFO was between 100 to 200 feet wide, and about 2000 feet up in the sky.

At 8.20 pm Mr Clarke, a caretaker at East Surrey College's School of Art, rang Reigate police station to report the sighting.

Three police officers Heathrow turned up and asked: "Where are the little green men, then?"

"But their attitude changed when I took them into the garden and



Mr Clarke points to the spot where he saw the UFO.

showed them the lights," said Mr Clarke.

Checks by police with Airport revealed that people in Watford and Wimbledon had reported the UFO sighting to New Scotland Yard.

They also contacted Box Hill.

Gatwick, and were told: "Yes, there's something strange on the screen we can't account for."

Mr Clarke and his family watched the object for another hour before it started to move slowly away into the wind over

Thanks to FSR reader, D.J. Haskins of Coulsdon, Surrey for sending us this report on 14/3/1988.

HEALED BY "E.T.s" IN PUERTO RICO. By Jorge Martín, Editor of Evidencia OVNI,

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(Translation from Spanish G.C.)

[We are much obliged again to Sr. Jorge Martín for this extraordinary report, which comes from Issue No. 3 of his excellent journal, Evidencia OVNI. What on earth are we to make of it all? I don't think it will pay to be too "trusting"! EDITOR FSR]

INTRODUCTION

ome time ago I was contacted by a Señor Iván Rivera Morales, resident in Peñuelas Municipality (Southern part of Puerto Rico

Island). What he had to tell me was an astonishing account of healing by aliens.

SICKNESS

In 1980 he was living in Ponce (close to Peñuelas and also in the south-central part of the Island) and was strong and healthy and was a serving officer in the Puertorican Police Force. But then suddenly he fell desperately ill. He was rapidly dying of a disease that at first no doctors could even identify.



Jorge Martín (left) and Iván

but in the end, after countless examinations and tests, they concluded that it was a virulent sort of rheumatic fever for which there was absolutely no cure. He was unable to move, in great pain, prostrate in his bed, and so he was taken home to die. The doctors said it was "just a question of time". He was by now thin and skeleton-like, filled with pain in all his deformed and twisted joints. One night, in his despair, he looked up out of the window and uttered a prayer: "Oh God, I know you are merciful. You can heal me. Please cure me. If not, please relieve my pain. If I must die, please don't let me suffer so much!"

THE ALIENS

Some nights later came an experience that he will never forget and that changed his life for ever.

"Suddenly the room in my father's house was filled with a golden light. Shining golden balls of the size of basket balls. I was scared. Then from the lights there came a voice — something that I heard in my head — like telepathy — saying that I was not to be afraid, that nothing was going to happen to me. The voice sounded masculine, but strange, and deep. I could do nothing except gaze at them. And suddenly the balls changed shape and two extremely strange beings appeared, about 4ft high, with pallid, whitishgrey skin and heads bigger than ours - egg-shaped, bigger at the top and narrower below at the jawbones. They had big eyes, "Chinesey", almond-shaped and very dark, very black. Those eyes — when they looked at you they sort of penetrated you totally. It was a powerful gaze. I was terrified, and didn't want to look at them.

"They were thin and skinny, with long arms, longer than ours, and long hands — I don't know exactly — four long fingers, I'm not too sure. They

were wearing metallic helmets and were dressed in white robes down to the feet and hands."

INSIDE A SAUCER

The next thing that Iván could remember was standing still in front of them. Yes — standing. He is unable to understand how this was possible. He was in pain, but nevertheless he was standing. Instantly he found himself in another place.... "I am sitting in something like a vehicle, it was like a flying saucer, but small, a semi-oval thing, like a minivan, something like that. But it was extraordinary, although it was a vehicle, you could see right through it as if it was made of glass, transparent — and they were there with me. They had put me in a sort of chair that came out from the left wall. I was paralyzed.

"Everything there was as though moulded in one piece, there were no rivets, no joinings to be seen — nothing. It was a silvery sort of metal but at the same time you could see through it. All the time they kept telling me not to be afraid; that nothing bad was going to happen to me.

"One of them put a helmet on my head — a helmet like theirs — which was on a shelf sticking out from the wall of the craft, and the voice said they would put it on me and that it would make communication with them easier. And from then on I was calmer, and the craft took off. Without sound, without any. Just a hum, very very gentle. One of them stayed with me and the other was in a little section in front, like a control cabin, because you could see buttons and little lights and suchlike.

"It was unbelievable! We were rising — I saw my house from the air, and the lights of the towns. You could see when we left the Island, because everything looked dark, you could only see the stars. They took me to look at various countries from above. They didn't explain why. Very quickly, we came to one area where we could see, from a great height, a country which to me seemed to be Italy, because you could see clearly the shape of a *boot*. I thought it was Italy, and one of them looked down and said 'Yes'.

"At that point they said we should return to where we had started from as they wanted to show me something. I was now nervous again. I started thinking to myself 'What are these things, were they going to kill me, what was going to happen to me?'

"The craft returned there at an unbelievable speed and I was able to recognize the outline of the west coast from up there.... the coast of Mayaguez, Cabo Rojo.... because, from then on, although it was night, everything below was a bit clearer. Then they changed course towards the west of Cabo Rojo... and we entered the sea."

UNDER THE SEA

Excitedly he described how the craft shot down towards the sea in a rapid dive, the waters separated and a sort of tube formed in it, a void around the craft through which it went on descending to the depths. "We went down very deep, and we came to a great big mountain down there, under the water. The mountain was dark and there was a very big metal sluice-door in front of us, and this started to open, upwards. When it was open, we entered the mountain. The sluice-door came down and closed, and then the water that had come in with us slowly ran out till all was dry again.

"The next thing I remember is that I am outside of the craft and with them. It was like a base in there. The walls seemed like of stone, dark like a cave. It was all in semi-darkness, there wasn't much light. There were more of "them" there. They had with them a small metal bed, and told me to lie down on it. I obeyed, because I was terrified. I was all alone and in their hands, and so I did so."

THE EXAMINATION

"They took me to a chamber where everything looked as though made of stainless steel, but also in semi-darkness. They made me take a horrible bittertasting yellow liquid....

"That made me sleepy. I was terrified and I asked them what they were going to do to me, because I did genuinely think they were going to kill me or harm me. They replied that I should keep calm and that they weren't going to do me any harm. I continued to ask them, and they did not reply. It was tremendously cold there, unbearably cold, and lying there on that little metal bed I felt it even more.

"Before that, I had noticed on a wall a sort of metal plaque, sort of like a triangle, like a pyramid with some writing and some strange symbols that I wouldn't know how to interpret. In the centre it had a sort of *eye*, and above it something like a bird or an eagle. I went on asking them what they were going to do to me, and if they had the cure for what I had got, because I was in a lot of pain."

HEALED

That is as far as Iván's conscious recollection goes of the happenings in the alleged base. Then he remembers how, later, those beings brought him back again to his father's house and put him into his bed. Three hours had elapsed since the start of it all. Then he became drowsy and fell asleep.

In the following days there was a miraculous recuperation in his condition and he attributes it to what those beings had done to him in the underwater base to the west of Cabo Rojo. Gradually all his aches and pains and deformities vanished and, although not totally cured, Ivan Rivera Morales began to walk about again and to look after himself. A new vitality had now gripped him. His doctors, who basically had given up all hope for him, found the rapidity of his recovery unbelievable. However, he was unable to remember more than this of what had happened in that metallic chamber.

AUTO-TRANCE AND RECALL

Months later, when talking with Iván about his experiences, I noticed that he was in a "very special state", which, by analysis of his body language and his reactions to certain questions, indicated to me — given my years of experience in this field — that Iván was about to "explode" — that he had information in his unconscious that was fighting to get out and that this was the ideal moment for getting it out.

Suddenly, Iván fell into an apparent hypnotic auto-trance, which I was able to recognise from my years of experience working with the Puertorican Manuel Méndez Del Toro in the hypnotic study of cases of this type.

Iván now began to recall what had happened, and seeing that we might perhaps be losing an opportunity that was maybe unique, and seeing that he himself was anxious to know what it was that was troubling him, we decided to seize the occasion and get all the information possible.

We asked him what it was that had happened, and here is what he told us in that "special state" that he was in. Due to the need for brevity, I will give a résumé of what he said.

To begin with, he repeated what we already knew, but then, when he got to the stage of the alleged examination of him, he recalled that those beings undressed him on the bed and "did things" with strange instruments.

We went on further and then at that point he said he couldn't tell us anything more. When we asked him the reason for this resistance, he explained that "they had ordered him to say nothing about what had happened." He had, apparently, a mental block induced by the beings. When we persisted with our questioning, Iván responded, and, a few moments later, he began to relate it all: -

THE REST OF THE EXAMINATION

"These ones aren't wearing helmets. They are just the same as the ones who brought me — about 4 ft high, greyish. They came around the bed. About four of them. In a metal tray on the right hand side are some strange instruments. One of them picked up a thing like a little rod, a long silvery metallic little tube with a little crystal.... a light at its tip.

"What's that for!.... what are you going to do to me! (gesture of fear). They tell me to keep quiet, that *they* will do the questioning. 'Quiet — nothing bad is going to happen to you', they say.

"They pass that thing all over my body, from top to bottom. They are checking something. They touch everything with their long, thin fingers. *Four* fingers? I don't know. I don't know.... They scrape skin off me, they take hair. They got some of my saliva. They take a very thin fine little tube and they are sticking it in my penis. I feel a queer sensation and I ejaculate. They are taking semen from me. That's what it seems to be.

"Oh, God! What's going to happen to me? What are they going to do to me? Don't kill me, please!"

THE "EYE"

"There's a strange light, like red-violet.... it is coming from above. It's a thing..... I don't know what it is..... a light. It seems round, like an eye.... I try to see what it is, where it's coming from but everything is in semi-darkness. It's above, but I can't see what it is that it is coming from..... But there's something about that light. I look at that plaque with the triangle and the strange letters. On the wall to the right. They are telling me something about that..... It's something important..... I don't know.... I can't remember.....but it's important..... It has an eye in the middle.... It's like the pyramid with an eye, on the dollars, but it has some symbols and something sort of like an eagle..... or something like that, above it."

At this point Iván gets very nervous and refuses to talk. Then he starts to cry and groan. We insist on knowing what was happening, and he persists in refusing to talk, because "they" don't want it. A few minutes later, weeping and agitated, he said: "Another one of them came in, but he's different. He's taller and thinner, and seems older. Ay! Oh God! Oooooohhh (weeping and trembling).

Seized with emotion, he now reveals:



THE MENTAL "SCAN"

"This other one is dressed in a brighter tunic Ay! He's grabbing me. He brings his face close to mine. He presses his eyes against mine Oooooohhhh! (weeps) His gaze! Those big black eyes.....Ay! It's as though they were drilling a hole into me.... (trembling) It's as though he were absorbing my mind." (weeps)

At this point he again changed tremendously, when I asked him what had happened, he explained, weeping and groaning, that

"He separated from me andooohhh! He sat on top of me, with his back to me. Aayyy.... he's becoming transparent! Aaaayyy! He's coming down on me with his back to me! Uuhh! My God.

"It's as though his mind and mine are one. I feel what he feels and he feels what I feel. He is excited, because he can see as we see. He sees through my eyes.... he looks at my hands.... and I feel his pleasure and his interest in what he sees and what he feels. They are good.... they aren't bad as I thought. I feel myself full of peace, and happy.

"IT IS AS THOUGH I AND HE WERE ONE WITH THE UNIVERSE."

At that moment Iván declared that he was experiencing a great peace and that he felt as though his body was becoming filled with a very special energy, a vibration that came from the being who was occupying his body with him. The vibration was like a gentle electricity, like a warm and pleasant tingling invading his whole body and running to and fro from top to bottom. Simultaneously, all the woes and pains that Iván had been suffering disappeared.

He insisted that in reality the beings appeared to possess great spirituality. At least that was what he perceived during the moments when his consciousness and that of the tall grey being were joined as one.

All the information given by him seemed to indicate that the energies that had inundated him when the being entered him were responsible for his great improvement in health.

PEACE AT LAST

Iván then began to emerge from the hypnotic "auto-trance", still with tears in his eyes, but this time tears of gratitude to those beings and convinced that, as asserted, they are well-intentioned and of a high spiritual level. He said that he felt peaceful at last, since he now knew, ever since the incident, that "something else" which he could not remember had also happened.

COMMENT BY JORGE MARTÍN

This case establishes a precedent in UFO investigation on the Island of Puerto Rico. Although we had investigated a considerable number of cases of this type, it does contain certain details that are unique.

Although it fits the pattern described at the start of this article, it contains some important singularities, such as the fact that the beings arrived originally in the form of "balls of golden light", thereafter taking physical form as the beings already described. This is something that other eyewitnesses in the Island have reported to us concerning their own encounters.

Likewise, it is the sole case in Puerto Rico where there has arisen, from the information liberated by the witness, the proceedure now known as "scanning" or "mental exploration" which is brought out so strongly in the work of Dr. David Jacobs (see his book Secret Life) and of other investigators.

This procedure of "mental exploration" occurs when a being of the taller grey type already described, who appears to be supervising the examinations of humans by these beings, approaches the witness and, by means of the very close contact of his gaze with the gaze of the human, penetrates into the deepest levels of consciousness of the examinee.

According to the investigations of Jacobs and others, and also our own investigations made here in Puerto Rico in cases of this type, the process of deep scanning has been a disagreeable one, whereas for others it is agreeable, and gives rise to a subsequent expansion of consciousness. These appreciations appear to be relative to the particular intellectual formation and to the individual personality of each abductee, and depending upon it, they will have different perceptions of the experience.

Furthermore, there is also the medical evidence both before and after the grave condition in which Iván Rivera Morales was at the moment of his encounter in 1980 and after the "miraculous improvement" experienced by him on that occasion.

Finally, Iván told us: "I am not totally cured but, in truth, if I had survived, I would have remained crippled, invalid, and full of pain. I don't know who those beings are, nor where they come from, but I shall always be very grateful to them for having saved my life and helped me to recuperate. I do know that they have a base on the sea-bed near Cabo Rojo, because I have been there. I don't think they are bad, because what I felt when that being fused himself with me and when I could feel what he feels, made me feel that he was good. They are very highly developed beings.

"Sincerely, I don't believe they want to do us any harm. However it may be, I give thanks to God for what they did with me".

FUTURE PLANS

At the present time we are planning for a

technical session of regressive hypnosis of Iván by a professional in this field, in order to clarify various other details that have emerged in the case and are still not explained and which might be of great importance. When we have carried out this planned session we shall inform you of whatever arises from it. J.M.

ADDITIONAL NOTES BY EDITOR, FSR

What on earth are we to make of it all? What if the healing is only a ruse, a trick to win mankind's confidence?

As we all know, the Nazarene Master and Teacher is reported to have said:

"Then surely by their fruits ye shall know them".

But I cannot help feeling that, were I a devil harbouring such plans, I would see to it that I managed to start off with some thunderingly marvellous "fruits"! So perhaps we ought to read into the Gospel the words "by their long-term fruits"?

However, the truth is that over FSR's forty or so years (although admittedly not recently) we have ourselves published at least half a dozen apparently very remarkable cases in which people have claimed "healing by UFO entities", and when I have the time I will look these cases up and possibly re-examine them.

Meanwhile, it should be emphasised that so noted an American researcher as Thomas E. Bullard of Indiana University has claimed, in his massive, monumental, and epoch-making catalogue UFO ABDUCTIONS: THE MEASURE OF A MYSTERY (1987), that, of the more than 300 abduction accounts studied by him, there were thirteen cases of "UFO Healings"—in other words, 4% of all his abductees reported a healing.

(It is not normal in the USA for anyone ever to mention or cite or quote from FSR, so it is hardly likely that our six or seven cases will be in Bullard's list). And, in this matter of healings, it is to be noted that, most surprisingly, the MUFON JOURNAL No. 342 (October 1996) contains a very important leadarticle, UFO HEALINGS, by Preston Dennett, who has also now produced a book- UFO HEALINGS: true accounts of people healed by extraterrestrials (Wild Flower Press, Newberg, Oregon, Price U.S. \$13.95), in which this author claims that he has found no less than 105 healing cases. Surprisingly it seems that 22% of the cases involved individuals with no known prior association with UFOs. Surprisingly, also, more men than women had reported such cures (64% against 34%).

I find it extraordinary that the MUFON

JOURNAL should now be prepared to discuss UFO healings!

As for my own view of these matters, I must make it clear that, unlike such expert investigators as Paul Inglesby in England and Cyril Marystone in New York City, I have never attempted to maintain that *all* so-called "UFO entities" must necessarily be evil and malignant. I spent some years in studying the Arabic records and traditions about these matters, as I showed, long ago, in an article, A BRIEF ACCOUNT OF THE TRUE NATURE OF THE "UFO ENTITIES", (in FSR 29/1, October 1983, and reprinted in FSR 33/3, September Qr., 1988). That article has been received throughout the world in total silence. The greatest care is taken by researchers and writers never to refer to it.

What I found was that the entire Arabic tradition, while providing a vast supply of material about the JINNS, the denizens of the unseen worlds around us, was disappointingly vague on the question of *motivations*. However, as the *Qu'ran* does at least make quite clear, *Al-Jinn* seem to comprise a number of different species, not all of whom are inherently evil, inasmuch as it is explicitly stated that Muhammad's Message of Salvation is aimed at them as well as at Mankind.

Inseparable from, and overlapping with all of this, there is also the entire corpus of tradition and belief about ANGELS. This is common to the three great western religions of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, and Hinduism and Mahayan Buddhism both certainly also accept the existence of higher spiritual entities that would be fully equivalent to the western concept of what we know as Angels - i.e. "Messengers", which is what the Greek term *angelos* means.

In recent years we have carried in FSR a few

reviews of books about encounters with or sightings of Angels, and it is evident that reports of this sort have lately become a great deal more frequent. Some of them — particularly from Russia — are quite extraordinary, having both an "angelic" and a "UFO" flavour, and we would very much like to know more about these and to be able to publish them, so if any Russian readers of FSR or any FSR readers elsewhere have such material, I would very much like to hear from them.

On this entire question of "UFO healings" it is evident that, in this area, such as abductions, implants, sexual interference, NDEs (near-death experiences) OBEs (out-of-body experiences), etc., etc., we must continue to apply the very greatest care and objectivity. We do not yet know any of the answers. So let us try not to miss any important clues!

Finally, I also note from the latest MUFON JOURNAL (October 1996) that they now have on sale yet another important piece of research - A CATALOGUE OF UFO-RELATED PHYSIOLOGICAL EFFECTS, by John F. Schuessler, covering 400 reported medical cases. (Price in the USA, \$15, plus \$2 for postage and handling, and available from MUFON, 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin, Texas 78155-4099, USA.) Note: We do not know what cost of postage overseas would be).■

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UFO Magazine no longer arriving from Communist China.

Dear Gordon,

Your letters are always welcome - and whenever mail from you arrives I have to give you a reply straight away!

As regards the issue of magazines, there is *no change*. UFO research in Mainland Communist China, and also in Free China (Taiwan), is still continuing, and both magazines are still there, in existence.

As regards the Mainland magazine, published in Chinese, in Lanchow, N.W. China, which you had previously been receiving for so many years, and which you tell me has now long ago ceased to arrrive, the answer is that I have *repeatedly* requested them to look into the matter and see that you get it. But they take no notice, and my feeling is that they simply don't care.

One of the reasons is no doubt that they are constantly changing their Editor. Also, their staff are not being paid properly.

As you know, I have already severed my links with them in January 1996, because I simply can't get along with them, and I don't want to go on asking them to send their UFO journal to you because they won't take any notice.

As for the UFO Research Group in Free China

(Taiwan) I was never active as one of their overseas reporters, but of course I do have amicable relations with them, so I will contact them now and ask them to send you their Chinese-language journal, and see what happens.

Best regards! Sincerely

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NOTE BY EDITOR OF FSR.

Paul Dong has already published several books in the USA, in English, on such themes as UFOs in China; Chinese Research in Parapsychology; Martial Arts; Ch'i-Kung, etc., and in this coming September he and a colleague will be bringing out another book under the title of "CHINA'S SUPER-PSYCHICS" (publishers are Marlow & Co., New York). It will deal with the extraordinary current drive of the Chinese Communist Government to seek out, among its citizens, those who demonstrate "EHF"

("exceptional human functions") i.e. unusual psychical powers of one sort or another. Paul Dong tells us that it is estimated in China that "maybe one in a million" — and they are invariably children — will possess these faculties, and that generally the powers tend to weaken and fade away after about the age of 25.

When the Chinese Government discovers these prodigies, they give them special training.

(In other words, like the Governments of America and Russia, the Chinese do not underestimate the value of having a good team of psychic spies.)

In an article recently published by Paul Dong in the USA (In VENTURE INWARD for July/August 1997) he has described one of China's young superpsychics, Miss Yao Zheng, whom he has already met and seen in action. This young woman has not only the ability to shift objects out of one sealed bottle into another sealed bottle, — without of course touching either bottle — but also seems to possess weird powers of "auto-combustion". She gives off electricity and sparks and fire, and her clothes can suddenly burst into flames. (Needless to add that spoon-bending is just one of the minor and least spectacular features of her repertoire! G.C.)

HILARIOUS COMIC STOP-PRESS: NASA TAKEN TO COURT BY ARAB OWNERS OF MARS! By Gordon Creighton.

Press reports on July 25th indicated that the American Space Agency, NASA, are due to be sued by Arabs who say they "own Mars", and plan to prevent the Americans from divulging any more information about the planet.

Three men from Yemen, Adam Ismaïl, Mustafa Khalil, and Abdulla Al-Umari, claim that they **own** the red rock, and say their permission ought to have been sought before the *Pathfinder* spacecraft landed there on July 4th and released its buggy, *Sojourner*, which has since then been engaged in testing the Martian geology and soil, and in sending back photos of a landscape less inviting than many parts of Yemen.

The trio's queer claim derives from their firmly rooted idea, as reported in the weekly newspaper *Al-Thawri*, that thousands of years ago Mars was the home of their ancestors!

They therefore want NASA to suspend releasing the results of any further explorations, or any further information of any sort about Martian soil, surface, gravity, etc, until the court case is concluded. Presenting their documentary claims to the Prosecutor General of Yemen, they simply claimed "We inherited the planet from our ancestors who lived on it 3000 years ago."

We understand, however, that NASA do not appear to have suspended their nefarious activities in relation with Mars, and would go no further than issuing a bald statement that the soil of Mars is "finer than talcum powder."

Now, here is a very strange, very peculiar fact:-When, about ten years ago I first read Hoagland's book, *The Monuments of Mars: A City on the Edge of Forever* (published in 1987), I was struck by what I thought was an extraordinary and quite ridiculous statement (on page 289), where Hoagland quotes the following words from an article previously

published, it seems, in the Journal of the British Interplanetary Society:-

One of the weirdest coincidences of the whole affair is that *Cairo*, the site of the (two greatest) pyramids, was originally named *El-Kahira*, from the Arabic *El-Kahir*.....meaning *Mars*...

At first I refused to accept this as anything but nonsense, for I knew that the Arabic name for Mars is pronounced variably as either Al-Mirrih or Al-Marrih. But, on checking in my best dictionaries (Hans Wehr's and the Oxford Arabic-English Dictionary), I did find, to my astonishment, that Mars does have a second name, namely Al-Quahir -which is indeed almost completely identical with the name for the place that we fail to pronounce properly, and so we call it Cairo.

Now, as I have mentioned before in articles, the

Arabic language, like Hebrew, etc, is fundamentally constructed on the concept of **three consonants** -the so-called **trisyllabic system** based on a **verb-root**.

Thus we have the verb-root qa-ha-ra, 111. to defeat, vanquish, overcome. And from it we have qahir, a conqueror or victor.

My own conclusion is that this secondary name for the planet *Mars* probably has crept into the Arabic language relatively lately, under the direct influence of the name for that planet in Western languages, which of course comes directly from the name of the Roman **God of War**.

The mental link between war and victory is obvious. However, we would like to hear from our Arabic-speaking readers whether they think we are right on this, and whether they have any other explanations for this curious real-estate claim by the Three Wise Men (or maybe the Three Foolish Men?) from Yemen?

SOLDIERS ENCOUNTER ENTITIES IN ULSTER STAKE-OUT.

On the Internet on July 20, 1997 there was an unconfirmed CNI News item that, according to the British newspaper *The People* (July 13), eight British soldiers who were lying in ambush one night in South Armagh four years ago, hoping to catch some IRA gunmen, had a brief encounter "with three or four small grey figures in human form". The two parties stared at each other for a minute or so. Then the small entities vanished, and almost immediately the soldiers "saw a brief flash of light in the sky".

The soldiers were so unnerved that they took

the very rare decision to abandon the stake-out. Their commander was furious, and their comrades in the elite SAS force derided them or suggested that they were "on drugs".

Four years later the case has been revealed to an Ulster UFO study group by a former Intelligence Officer of the British Army.

Belfast-based UFO investigator Hugh O'Brien said: "We are trying to interview the soldiers, even though some of them may be too embarrassed to come forward".

TWO PLANETS FOUND AROUND PULSAR.

Dr Alexander Wolszczan, of the State University of Pennsylvania, announced about five years ago that he had discovered two planets outside of our Solar System, and in 1994 he confirmed this and gave fresh details.

It seems that the two planets are around an extremely dense star (a "pulsar") at about 1,300 light-years from the Earth and in the direction of the constellation Virgo.

One of these planets is said to have 2.8 times the mass of the Earth, orbiting the pulsar in 98.2 days. And its distance from the star is given as only one half of our distance from our Sun.

The second planet is stated to have at least 3.4 times the mass of our Earth, and an orbit time of 66.6 days. Its distance from its sun is given as only one third of our distance from our Sun.

Since there is no way of being able to observe these planets directly, their existence can only have been deduced from irregularities in the pattern of the energy pulsations from the pulsar. Dr Wolszczan's report is also understood to indicate that the pulsar in question may have more satellites than just these two, one of them being a moon still closer in to its "mother body" -perhaps indeed there is an entire planetary system such as we have here. G.C.

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