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FALLEN MAN FREE TO RISE

WHEN a man has fallen it presupposes that he had been in a different position before. At the same time the suggestion is that he raise himself again since there is no point in his creeping around on the ground. This notwithstanding, though, he is perfectly free to stay down if he so chooses. He has a free will with which to decide at his convenience. One, however, who would stay on the ground is - in relation to all others who walk upright - a failure. Especially so if with all his free will he made no effort to get up. And most expressly so if, unable to get up without assistance, he failed to humbly call for it and accept it.

Many are the allegories and traditions that talk of Man, the Fallen. There is no need here to trace them individually. From inner teachings right through to outer religious dogmas they all present, with greater or lesser authority, various aspects of a certain truth. Be it the statement that we have come from higher and better worlds, be it a vision of Man driven out of paradise, the implication is that there are more preferable states of conscious existence than the one presently experienced. Again: in relation to such higher states, Man of the Here and Now is a failure. But with a view to any state he is free to work himself back or forth, down or up as he chooses. Considering his principle position, however, that of being God's Own, there would be no point for him in not making efforts at all times to raise himself!

That there should be failing, falling, erring or sinning at all is inherent in the Universal Design. God's creation is no moulded piece of work, set and completed for all eternity. It is a Process. A dynamic process having its Whence and a distinct Whither. Its movements are interdependent and strictly regulated. Their range though is unknowably vast. When we err or fall then we still move within this vast range of possibilities but we deviate from the general course and direction of the over-all process. We are free to deviate but we get punished for running off in a tangent. We have a free will with which we can try and please ourselves. But the odds get the heavier the more we run counter to God's course which - at this point of cosmic unfoldment - is directed from the lower Outer to the higher and concentrated Inner. Running counter, we have to contend with the combined set of cosmic tendencies and consequently suffer, suffer...

Thus, feeling his way back by studying and understanding the Creation's functional, the All-Father's universal Laws is Man's proper task! His efforts won't go unrewarded. He cannot but rise.

We fully support physicist E. W. Hutton, of East London, who protested against mooted A-bomb tests on the French Kerguelen Islands, 2600 miles from our shores. The Mayor has agreed to forward the protest. That nothing has officially been decided yet by the French Government is all the better! It gives Africa time to wake up: we don't want bomb tests here or in surrounding oceans! May African Governments take up this call despite SA Minister Louw's declining to make representations!

Weathermaps say no winds blow from Kerguelen toward Africa. Yet the world has learned enough of weather & climates constantly changing. We would hate to experience a freak storm blow French fall-out over to us inside 30 hours! We don't want fishermen to be killed in our waters! We pity the Japanese who STILL suffer. Germany has had no bombs, yet 1 in 2500 is SURE to die of atomic cancer! We too have MYSTERY diseases! We would dislike to see ANYBODY ANYWHERE having to die the hellish death but as it is, the atomic sins already committed will be catching up on us till 1977!

So stop this folly now! We do not hesitate to use an exclusive South African term in describing our disgust and firmness: Voetsak! Begone anybody who wants to poison us with his test bombs!

EVERY YEAR anew the UFO researcher's path is strewn with claims which, if he is careless, let him stumble and fall. Some, at first, seem to be serious and worthwhile cases. With others, however, it is obvious at a glance that they hold little or no substance at all.

One of the most ridiculous claims last year, came from a man in Chile, and was published in Switzerland. The publisher, like many another in the UFO field these past years fell for the mere words in the manuscript, taking them at face value. The claim was that "Venusian Space Forces" would take over the governments of Earth, dealing heavily with any resistance, zoning off trouble areas with 'beam barriers', destroying all nuclear armament machinery, regrouping all states and nations, 'freezing' monetary(!) capital, introducing their own constitution and establishing a world republic!

Nicely set out in paragraphs, with detailed sketches of rezoned continents, the whole plan and scheme was just too feeble for words both in concept and expression despite the merits it seemed, purely outwardly, to have. Its most decisive point declared that it was to be carried out in 1958!! Well, that year has come and gone and earth is still on its down-hill path!

It could not have been otherwise. Such a plan could never have been realised by other than

hostile men because it is plainly against universal law, both in idea and execution; and we know that our Brothers are here as our friends.

Universal law says: no interference with the other's fate & karma. He has to work out his own solution and destiny. Where he suffers, true, there it is a first commandment to alleviate the suffering, as the good Samaritan did. Only when a distinct request for assistance has been received, the right moment has come to join in his affairs. Until then any help may consist in good thoughts, in spiritual care, guidance and influence - thus, in such a way as to leave untrammelled scope to the free and personal will.

The originator of the above scheme has not shown to possess the faintest idea of these universal considerations. Consequently and notwithstanding his mind's intelligence, he has proved himself to occupy only rather a low level of spiritual enlightenment. We shall presently see that this his lack of understanding is in no way compensated for by a natural tendency of a certain class within him.

This tendency is widely called psychic. It is one which manifests from behind or beyond man's customary psychological constitution. And so once again this tendency or "psychic talent" has led a sincere man to make a fool of himself.

We would not have taken up this sad story had it not been for the fact that we believe to be able to provide some inquirers with the answer to it. The publication of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP), Washington, "The UFO Investigator", called this whole affair a hoax the motive of which though, was still "being undetermined". The bulletin's editor, Maj. Donald E. Keyhoe, says: "NICAP joins with other serious UFO research organisations in branding this as a crude though unexplained hoax. It is hoped that a full explanation soon can be found and made public."

There is no need to go out of one's way and "find" an explanation, or to "brand" anything with the wrong stamp of some "crude hoax" or other. The explanation is right there in the introduction to the Chilean's claim. Here the originator sets himself up as a "representative of the Venusian Forces", makes no effort to hide the fact that the whole scheme was a psychically conceived and 'received' affair from A to Z. Like another 'Venusian ambassador' who Approach - February, 1959

happens to reside in London, of whose 'official position' the world also learned in 1958 and who likewise tries to impress "messages" on as many unsuspecting people as he can possibly persuade to listen to him, the Chilean claimant betrays himself by the content and nature of his mind, by his incomplete knowledge and by several other characteristic features.

As NICAP, and with them many another UFO research organisation, have not entered upon a study of the psychic side of claims or of certain occult phenomena in this modern world, thus knowing little of the why's, how's and whence's of such phenomena, it is probably no use telling them that this Chilean interlude was no hoax at all.

It was originated, published and spread in good faith, in all seriousness and sincerity. The motive was the same as that of any other person who is convinced to have come by new knowledge and now wants to give it out. The reasons are the same as with so many other recipients of 'information', 'messages', 'communications' and 'revelations' which were gained in a passive and uncontrolled or even trance-like state of a-consciousness, of non-present-ness of mind. Thus the material is not received in objective face-to-face interviews. Back in the waking stage, these people go & spread their material with

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the best of intentions. The difference though between them and other classes of well-intentioned people is that they wrongly interpret their material and its objective value, usually for lack of appropriate knowledge.

They are unaware of the deceptiveness of the process by which they gained it, as can easily be proved. They are unenlightened as to its true source. Their knowledge of the depths of Man Psychological or the reaches of the mind is inadequate. They are unknowing as to the illusiveness of the worlds of senses. Yet they may be honest and fully convinced, despite the deception their intellect has undergone, of the correctness of what has come into their minds. They are also not always just uncritical individuals. For as soon as the

claim is subjected to assessment and critique they know how to defend it quite shrewdly.

This above "Venusian scheme" was put forth in all honesty and with true concern. There is, we feel, no doubt that this Chilean, as well as the London "ambassador" and their publishers, are quite convinced of the objective truthfulness in what they are mediating to the world. The idea of a hoax is as far from them as is Venus from Earth - which does not take away anything from the fact that many credulous readers of such claims are left to wander around under a deception!

As can be noticed from UFO literature, it will be a long time hence until UFO organisations are in the position to differentiate knowledgeably between psychic claims in the UFO field and any others, including objectively genuine ones. It seems as if it will take even longer before certain messages and revelations which are claimed, in a peculiar superior air, to have a 'higher' origin still, are recognized to be only of the self-same stuff as the 'lower' psychic and mediumistic utterances and events. It was simple to discover that in this instance, the pamphlet on Venusian interference and a world republic was not worth a second look. It takes quite some esoteric knowledge, however, plus analytical experience to can make short work of any of the so-called "higher class of revelations", be it in the UFO field or elsewhere.

Every man is free to say what he thinks. Any man though who thinks aloud in public must be prepared to expect his reply. If it dissects and ultimately rejects his ideas, this is no reflection on his character, sincerity, motives or even intelligence. It may mean, of course, that others hold that he did not quite know what he was talking about. Sometimes this does stop people from going on to think aloud in public, sometimes not.

It would certainly be helpful if henceforth at least the Venusian "ambassadors and representatives", as well as other "contactees" of the above category can see a point here.

George Adamski and his World Tour:

"WHY DOES G.A. NOT TRAVEL BY SCOUT SHIP?"

THIS was one of the questions recently brought up. The point was raised by one who is not quite convinced of the claims of the 'Space Ship and Space People Theory'.

"If he would go from country to country in a scout ship so that every nation could see what's it all about, his world tour would really be a success!"

Well, is our answer: and then AFTER that "success", what then? And what is this success here, what does it mean, what is GA hoping for?

If he travelled by scout ship one of 3 things could happen: (1) People would stand gaping at the ship and the mere event in amazement today - and then after some more newspaper editions would forget it, or almost so, over their old daily worries and troubles. In this case the scout ship, GA's trip and his lectures on inhabited planets in our system would have served as one more scoop, gripping the masses today (which in the eyes of many would certainly be looked upon as being 'a big success!') but forgotten and replaced by something else tomorrow! As a matter of fact this very thing is already happening all the time: around the world 'objects' and space ships are seen daily - of what consequence in regard to an awakening science, to the public or to governments we all are well aware!

(2) People might really get hot, suddenly visualising the possibilities of a general change. They might march up en masse to their governments with revolutionary demands! But what government would like to have that? Pressure here would create pressure there. The end might be bloodshed. What for? A new order - again built on blood?

Or (3): The peaceful way. Reason, not revolution. Not blind excitement but legitimate representation. Perhaps new representatives and new groups? But then, political affairs being what they are today - what party and in which country

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were ready to shed its present programme and to re-establish itself on the principles of the Sermon on the Mount, at the same time accepting and proclaiming that the space people are here, inviting them to guide us?

The task of awakening is a matter of natural, cyclic development which means that it has to take its time. Precisely for this reason THE WHOLE NEW COSMIC EVENT IS DOSED!! Dosed in such a measure as to let people steadily and naturally grow into this new realisation and reality, into its prospects and perspectives!

So much then for the principle. What of the practical side to it - travelling, customs, airport, entry, exit, police, safety and what-have-you laws, regulations? Trouble, trouble, endless trouble! Finally, what of military authorities who rather than give protection might get the idea it were nicer to try and capture the scout?

No, let GA travel by terrestrial means, his friends up there visibly or invisibly watching over his route. This is as it will be and it is the one reasonable solution.

Thus GA's appeal is not to the masses as such, not to the gutter press, vested interests, to political groups, parliaments or like powerhouses! His appeal is to the individual wherever he or she might live, young or old, and no matter the walk of Approach - February, 1959

life, occupation, creed, race or colour - as long, only, as this individual is an awakening person! As far as we ourselves are concerned here we have been trying to do, and to be, just that, dear friends.

The problem then boils down to a question of what kind of success do we want? Must it indeed lead to an explosive, revolutionary process amongst men or rather to orderly development and to a GENUINE TRANSMUTATION - thus to a natural growth in knowledge, in ideas, in outlook, in values and in technical advancement? Now, which do you prefer?

AND WHICH HAVE THE SPACE PEOPLE QUITE EVIDENTLY BEEN FOLLOWING by reason of their reticence, their sparse landings and relatively 'unsensational', 'unsuccessful' appearances all around earth?

"AFRICA REGION LIAISON GROUP"

Centre Organisers: Mr. C. A. Bunton, Pretoria, (377 Jooste St, Kloofzicht) & Mr. A. van Stolk, Cape Town (21 Stanford Rd., Rondebosch) (Deputy and Secretary: Miss R. Evans, 6 Herschel Rd., Observatory) have agreed to act in the above capacities and have called meetings.

A meeting of friends of Johannesburg and the Rand area will be held early in March. Invitations giving details will be sent out by post.

+ GA has left New Zealand for Australia after absolving a rather strenuous programme in the Dominion's two isles.

+ "The Little Listening Post", Washington DC, reports that the "Air Force took 2 hours of film during famous Adamski Contact nr. Desert Centre". (This was his first meeting with Orthon, scout pilot from Venus, on Nov. 20, 1952.) Unfortunately, "LLP" does not give any sources.

+ The US Air Force, in a letter written to NICAP member Zan Overall, disclosed the fact that both "gun-camera and radarscope photographs" were taken of a UFO in the Ellsworth Case! (Near Ellsworth AF Base, Sth. Dakota, two jet pilots chased a UFO for 100 miles, to which they had been guided by ground radar, on August 12, 1953.) -UFO Inv.-

+ The "Australian Saucer Record" (last quarter, 1958) quotes from a communication GA is said to have sent to the Japan Flying Saucer Research Association, in November, 1958. Upon a question GA had put to Orthon at his meeting him in October, whether "men from outer space would land on earth" (en masse), the answer was: No!.. Earth people were not perfected enough in mental ability. When earth people were so perfected that they could meet them (i.e. obviously with our keeping composed, etc.) then they would come and land.

STUDY SO AS NOT TO BE AFRAID

CHARLES LATHRUP WARN, D.Litt.: Today as in the Days of Noah (Prophecies of Jesus). Pentagon Publishing Co., Los Angeles, 1948. (7/6, APPROACH's Book Order Service.)

This is one of the most exciting books we have lately been coming across. A small, a cheap and unassuming volume, but packed with knowledge and insight from cover to cover! To give you an immediate example, at the same time showing up the decisive link between modern and the Bible's UFO knowledge, we quote the author on the basis of his translations of the old manuscripts, where Matthew is made to say: "Jesus told us that if such a calamity (i.e., of the Last Days) should come to pass, He would come immediately. Come through the steam and smoke of the burning atmosphere and damp the conflagration. With Him would come the Great Teachers from Other Universes who would help restore the harmonious vibration of Earth." The learned author had a reason for extending the "angel" term the way he did. There is no doubt either of a distinct picture in his mind of the angels coming by and using tangible means of conveyance and communication. When we remember that the modern Flying Saucer question - in that form - emerged in 1947 but that the author had worked on the material for this book before that time, we cannot fail to notice his gifted view which penetrated the implications long ago.

Ancient languages, unlike the intellectualised ones of today, had been written in symbols and not in words composed of letters. As a consequence, single symbols could contain many more meanings than one, indeed sometimes three or four or more "tongues", from everyday speech to a highly spiritual and esoteric language. The

Old Testament, written in Chaldee, likewise was "written in code or cypher ... and in unbroken lines of Chaldee characters". Much later in time however, these were revised into groups and by the additional use of vowel signs, they became words. But the true scientific teachings of these ancient scriptures were not known by the revisors and got lost in the process. Thus, in the words of the author: "I am not exaggerating when I say that fully 20% of the Old Testament has not been translated... As far as I can learn I have made the first serious attempt to translate the original unpointed text.... It is in these unpointed texts," as the author discovered, "that the fall and rise of eight preceding periods of civilization is recorded." He gives his translation of Genesis 6, 7, 8 and 9 and the congruency of these new versions with many of the most ancient teachings is remarkable indeed.

Much knowledge of the cyclic laws is revealed which is in close relationship to the prophecies concerning the end of this cycle. With these latter we are more familiar. Yet again, they emerge so much more elucidated by reason of the author's use of the Codex Sinaiticus and the Chaldean root meanings. This picture of The End is baffling! We must be grateful to him too, for pointing out so clearly Jesus' word of greatest importance today: "See that you attain knowledge that you are not alarmed by sudden fear..."

Let us see to it that we heed these words! Only if we thoroughly appropriate these new cosmic truths, comparing them with the old ones, if we go on studying, striving toward the higher life, then only shall we not be afraid of all the terrible things yet to come. Then only shall we really understand the admonition: Be alert, remain awake, watch! Let us study and grow and so shed any fear! For sorrow and suffering, tribulation and pestilences are bound to come - how else can we meet them?.. And thank you, Dr. Warn!