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PRINCIPLES of sudden bursts or amplified impetus in an otherwise even flow of activity or energy are widely recognizable in life & nature. Peaks, climaxes are reached after gradual accumulation of strength or momentum. A storm in a final effort smashes everything in its path. Our porridge pot on the fire unexpectedly spills its contents. An illness, long felt to approach, vehemently subdues with a cleansing fever. Subversive aspirations at last strike a blow at old political orders. In an individual's life a spanking, a set-back, an accident or the death of a near one can have profound effects. Thus, the material, biological, psychological, mental structure is suddenly changed under a double load of experience, action, power and on the ruins of catastrophe is left a different world, a man changed.

When a cycle of activity closes there is a spurt of forces and energies - and then a spark, a crash & a thunder, with a radical change and the prospect of new beginnings. Even in the "Last Days" of a historical cycle there MUST COME the sudden increase in activity and momentum; the overloading, overcharging in every field; an overreaching, overrating and overtaxing by nature and by man. Now, if you think you can see "signs of Last Days" in our age, do you really expect there to be - THIS TIME - no spark, no crash and no thunder?

When stars dance and planets tumble, when seas rise mountain-high and mountains sink back into Earth's womb, how can the "multitudes" be saved, man in his masses, who did everything to aggravate the crises? Once upon a time, when Esdras pleaded for His multitudes, the Lord replied He could do nothing about it as the Law would have to take its course.

And yet, it is only man who can detach himself by reaching out and clinging to his higher reason; by letting go of his earthly intellect, of passions full of cravings, and turning to the inner sense of it all! If generally shocks provide a wholesome therapy then the cosmic shock therapy is there for a reason, too. It cleanses - on the grand scale. If you see the need of this, you are armoured to withstand shocks (and even in death) because you have STARTED TO CHANGE IN GOOD TIME. Then, whether mad humanity's final slam or god Thor's cosmic hammer blows, you will be the better off for your insight and understanding. Almost as if you had a glimpse of the Father's own mind... Well. You have.

LITTLE UNDERSTANDING IN OUR PRESENT WORLD!

The only answer some peers of England had to the idea that sentient beings might exist on other worlds just as on ours, was laughter. We are in no position to comment on or to criticise the trend of deliberations in the House of Lords. We are free, however, to react to press service information describing what the most honourable members did.

Blind Lord Fraser of Lonsdale has asked the Government as to any "advice having been sought or received regarding the possibility or probability that sentient creatures live on other worlds and whether any attempts at communication have been considered or foreshadowed."

Lord Hailsham replied the Government does not "include communications with any possible inhabitants of other worlds among the objects of the U. K. space research programme... Certainly, the Government has not sought or received any advice as to whether sentient creatures live on other world."

To this, as said, their reaction was an outburst of hilarity. We, far removed from that elevated and select panel of a mighty nation's nobility, just sit & wonder. And we ponder how farsighted and lucid the blind former M.P., then Sir, Ian Fraser is and how truly "blind" a houseful of insentient peerage.

THE FOLLOWING letter from George Adamski to his co-workers has reached us just in time to be included in this issue. Here is information, and quite a few interesting observations he has to make upon reviewing his recent lecture tour. He writes:

"I wish to express my deep thanks for the kindnesses you have shown me...throughout the tour from which I have recently returned home. I believe much good will in time come out of it. Perhaps it will take a little time to digest some of the things I have brought forth although much has already begun to show itself..."

The question has arisen in some quarters that I had thrown the whole thing into a materialistic concept with little of the spiritual nature. Truth is, that the labels are the cause of confusion. For can there be material conditions without the spiritual? Could a man be a man without the spirit supporting him?.. Of course not! Neither can you separate the one from the other, either way. So if it is properly understood - and reality must be faced sooner or later - then one must admit that I conveyed both as a unit in one. - Unless we face reality as it really is and not keep on perpetuating the people of other worlds as Holy People and ourselves as the devils, we shall accomplish very little in realizing what is happening! And we shall find ourselves in just as

much of a mystery 50 years from now as we are at the moment, regardless how many contacts or sightings may take place in the meantime! How long would one live, as a physical being, if he lived on spiritual bread and never ate of material bread?

People who wish to live in a mystical fog, I do believe have a perfect right to do so, but I for one want a clear concept of life that I might live it fully as it was intended by my Creator. One thing is definite without a question of any doubt: most people want to separate that which the Creator never meant to be separated... They disregard the holiness of nature, which is His handiwork, & only honour That which created it. But how can one honour the Master without honouring His house?... So what is really being done other than displaying hypocrisy?...

This realization is all I tried to bring to the people, with regard to the Saucers and people of other worlds; that it is all a reality - as real as they and our world are - that all is One and there is no Two. One cannot love one half of himself and hate the other half.

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Unless this is realized and lived as such, I am afraid that all efforts of the present and future will be of no avail but be a continuation of confusion, sorrow and pain, with eventual destruction... So if the people have misunderstood, or did not want to receive it that way, then they did not want Reality, and I for one will not lend myself to false pictures or false promises...

I suppose you have read all the reports about my visit in Holland and Zürich. It just goes to show how far the opposition will go to keep its old system going. Regardless what the public read - which was not the truth - the Saucers themselves now have a little prestige, for this is the first time a Queen has asked to be told something about them. And regardless how small or how large the nation may be, a King or a Queen of such a nation carries more prestige than any President. The opposition did not like to see this happen. That's why all the uproar!

Speaking of the opposition, I surely ran into a hornet's nest in Zürich, for that is where the headquarters really are. So it is good that things happened as they did, otherwise we would never have known who is opposing what and why. It didn't hurt me one bit. In fact, publicity was given me that I never would have received in any other way.

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To all the hundreds of people who were turned away during my tour, no publicity of this kind was given, or even mentioning them has been forthcoming anywhere else then occasionally in local papers. But when the mud-slinging took place, there was hardly a paper in the world that didn't have something to say. Yet I can assure you of one thing: what was published in the papers was not the truth. The name-calling in reference to Queen Juliana and myself was done purposely in order to get us angry so that one of us might talk. I knew the Queen wouldn't and I didn't. Every time the press brought up the question: "What did the Queen have to say?" I would reply that "it is the Queen's honour to speak first". So, since reporters had not been admitted to the interview - and by the way, this was held inside the Palace and not on the lawn and for 2 hours instead of 45 min. - and I would not give them the answer when they questioned me, you can imagine the irritation that was felt, with guessing going on as to what might have been said & what the Queen's reaction might have been. That is all.

I did not quit lecturing on the grounds of what happened in Zürich but on advice of a doctor in Basle who warned me that so much continuous talking over such a long period of time had caused my throat to become bad-

ly irritated, my lungs somewhat weakened, and with a cold which I had caught in Edinburgh I could easily get pneumonia. Then they would be shipping me home in a wooden box. After a careful examination he instructed me to take at least two months rest, which I am now doing.

Finally, let me say, I have learned from this trip more than the people who listened to me. I have learned WHAT LITTLE UNDERSTANDING THERE IS IN A WORLD OVERFLOWING WITH KNOWLEDGE! No - it is up to each INDIVIDUAL, for as one makes a bed, so must he sleep in it. No one can fulfil that duty for another. So again let me thank you, whether you agree with me or not, for the privilege given me to learn from all of you so much more than I have ever known before." +

It is remarkable indeed that the passage in this last paragraph which we put in capital letters, should have come from such usually very hopeful a person as GA. It is the fact he draws, the summing up of all his impressions and experiences during these last 6 months.

We may modestly add that we held this view all along. The point is that man in meetings, masses, congregations just intellectualizes & doesn't really think but detached from doctrinary labels & the mass mind the individual can reason it out.

Lou Zinsstag:

REPORT FROM SWITZERLAND

WE have compiled the following lengthy report from letters & information sent by Lou Zinsstag, our Swiss liaison lady on the events during GA's sojourn in her country. She has made everything clear enough so that no further comments are necessary.

GA swept like a gale over his coworkers, leaving in his wake several blushed faces and some dōbris, but he has also destroyed many a foggy phantom of wishful thinking. We all can see much clearer; much rubble, foremost in literature, can be cleared away and now we know where we stand: right in the middle of reality which distinctly mirrors the change of scientific concepts - but right in the middle, too, of the most gripping gangster story of the century. The nets of the Silence Group, which seems to loose its hold in the USA, had thoughtfully been cast over Europe, and in Zürich we were caught. It was no mere coincidence that a certain Californian Dr. & astrophysicist arrived in Switzerland in the same week as George Adamski, but rather one of the moves in the game.

GA's health was not too good when he arrived in Basle on Saturday, May 23. He looked tired & drawn but recovered rather quickly. He liked his hotel & its good central situation in town, yet away from all traffic noise. We spent a calm and pleasant Sunday together in my home town. For the film preview on Monday I had succeeded in arousing the interest of the whole police department. Consequently some Very Important People were present. The press, however, had sent only some young, third rate reporters. I had put my hopes in the film which I had not seen previously but was myself astonished to see that half of it consists of documentary shots, pictures & paper clippings - hardly a proof to the unbeliever. I think it was for practical reasons that GA included these photos and drawings in a film (of

which some more in our next issue). Unprepared as I was, I could not explain things as I ought to have done. The police people were disappointed & left without asking GA further questions. I felt they were being 'tactful'.

Despite a lot of misgivings, mainly in connection with the organisers, who were not of our group, & shortcomings displayed by two other officers, the first lecture in Zürich on Tuesday, May 26, was pleasing to the majority of the public. At least they had seen & listened to George Adamski. This reception notwithstanding, the press reports were disastrous. With this we knew that the situation had become difficult and that there would be trouble.

On the morning of the 2nd Zürich lecture, Friday 29th May however, we had a very pleasant interview with two reporters of the German weekly news magazine "Der Spiegel", circulation 500,000. The boys asked very good questions in perfect English & George gave very good answers. In spite of all the defamating previous write ups in the Dutch, German & Swiss press, "Spiegel" published a long extract of this interview, correctly translated. As it is, they left out some rather important links, by this imparting yet an ever so slight 'leg-pulling' slant to it, but the interview having lasted more than 2 hours it would have been impossible to print the whole story. All in all, this magazine displayed a high amount of courage and independence.

Came the evening & the row! It was much worse than it had been reported by press & wire agencies around the world, but also much more interesting. 300 Students were strategically dispersed among 700 listeners whose reception of GA was very warm & friendly. But then in time the students started their disturbance plan with a carefully studied crescendo. First clapping, stamping after each sentence, then hollering, singing. It ended in a proper riot with trumpets, tomato throwing and crackers! Before 9 o'clock the organisers had already called for the police

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but no police turned up. Only when one of the audience complained at last, calling for the police a plain-cloth man came up to the microphone and sweetly piped: "Oh, we have been here for some time!" Imploring the students with a weak voice and still weaker arguments his speech was drowned in the general uproar. There was something too fishy for my liking in that attitude of the police! We decided to go on, however & to show the film. I first explained about the film, as I had learned the meaning of it in the meantime and it was comparatively quiet in the hall. But as soon as the lights went out there came the climax! The noise reached culmination point! That everything had been well prepared in advance was proved by the fact that powerful light beams were directed onto the screen. These did not come from ordinary torches but rather were tapped from the hall's wiring. After we had got through half of the film a beer bottle was flung from the gallery toward the platform. It hit a Lady's shoulder. People shouted! Tumult! And then only the order from the police: "Light, at once!" That was the end of the show...

Came the next day, and the papers! While one of them, "Die Tat", carried a rather fair though incomplete write up, quite justifiedly criticising the police, and although this was retracted a couple of days later (!!!), the most important financial & commercial paper, "Neue Zürcher Zeitung", came out with the assertion that the one thing that had functioned that evening had been the Zürich Police!! Since we had been thoughtful enough to record the plain-cloth man's speech on tape, we can easily disprove this statement in a future publication. GA will certainly include a chapter on Zürich in his forthcoming book, and I don't want to anticipate his comments now. Needless to say that the greater majority of the newspapers followed the lead and story of their 'big brother', the influential NZZ.

GA had stayed remarkably calm throughout the upheaval but his voice had suffered considerably.

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He felt weak the next morning and I was not much surprised by the looming prospect that the rest of his European tour would have to be cancelled. Sooner or later, he would have had to do this at any rate, as everybody had already realised. These six months of lecturing had been too much & after May 29 nobody could blame him for ringing down the curtain, for why should he risk his health in view of such conditions? We knew that similar disturbances had been planned for other towns even for Basle's lecture which was to follow shortly after Zürich. So it was actually my head on which the biggest blow fell as advertising & other propaganda were in full swing & could no longer be called off because of the weekend. But besides all this, I really had got a shock & was somehow glad of the cancellation as I would have been too afraid of having to take on further responsibility. We went back to Basle the same day where two friends of mine had arranged for a little party. As always in the evening, GA felt better and gave a much appreciated talk to all present. He consented also to talk at a group meeting on the following Thursday.

Our suspicion that quite different forces were behind this organised riot than such from university colleges alone was supported by what could be gleaned from the newspapers. A little later we were also informed from London, as well as from Munich, that like rows had been planned for many of the places in Europe. In contrast to the lectures held before, only now had the difficulty arisen that GA could not talk directly to his audiences so that everything had to be interpreted. This was a weak spot & an opening for the opposition. The fact was also known to them that GA's books are not so widely read in Europe as in English-speaking countries. One could have quite rightly expected that he would have been compelled to go far back when talking of his experiences. Time would be lost by the translation so that he could be prevented from making his most interesting statements, toward

the end, even if disturbances would succeed only in the last hour. In Holland this plan was frustrated because the audience had voted for a talk in English with an interpretation to follow. As a similar motion in Zürich, on the 26th, was not carried we did not bother to put it on the 29th. There is little doubt, however, that we would have confused the student opposition, had we made the suggestion.

While GA stayed for another week in Basle, Mrs and Mr. Karl Veit, chairman of the German "UFO Study Group", arrived with another staunch supporter, Mrs. M. Müller. They had started a very big organisation & propaganda campaign in Germany and were desperate when they learned that everything had to be cancelled. They felt better again when GA generously offered them the right to copy the film so that at least some of the scheduled meetings could be held, though minus GA in person.

Dora Bauer, liaison lady for Austria and Georg Neidhart, Munich organiser, got cables asking them to also come to Basle. Both arrived at their earliest convenience. As a compensation they also got the right to show a copy of the film, as did later liaison men Dr. A. Perego, Italy, and H. Petersen, Denmark.

George spent the last week in Switzerland quietly in the Tessin, the most beautiful & warmest part of our country. He left on June 12th, for Rome. I accompanied him and stayed with him until he left Europe for good via Copenhagen, on the 17th June. Contrary to some newspaper reports he did not give a lecture in Rome and only spoke for half an hour to the group there.

It cannot be denied that there was another point too, on which GA had his misgivings. UFO study & discussion activities all over the German-speaking parts of Europe are very much permeated with esoteric, occult and sectarian concepts. Thus, in these parts GA would not only

have had to fight the disbelieving of so-called Realists. He would also have had to expose himself to the dissent or even the protests coming from, or else the promotion & misplaced protection by, innumerable societies, cults, associations etc. He foresaw clearly though that in his weakened condition he would not be able to offer proper resistance to this storm of complications coming at him, also, in a strange language.

As we all know, GA has taken his own stand. He has never started a society, nor established a cult, nor adopted a particular ideology - he has his own. Thus he might have easily been labelled with concepts belonging to those organisations which participated in organising his lectures - without his being able even to properly learn about it! In view of what had happened in Holland this would not have been an enviable situation. GA does not take part in or enter into polemics as this would cost him too much time and strength. Once a start is made with replying, then the whole thing continues without end. All that he wants is to be productive. When we found some attacks by newspapers quite too impertinent he would laugh: "They don't kick a dead dog around!" or, "We can easily do without the Swiss press!" or even, as once, "without old Europe".

During the whole time I spent with GA there was always a perfect understanding between us. At first I was quite a bit overwhelmed by his powerful personality and I am sure I have shown some nervousness. He never mentioned it. As an excuse, I could cite our friend Henk Hinfelaar, New Zealand liaison, who, like so many of us got a surprise when GA turned out to be a person very much of this earth and not at all the 'prophet' type.

I am truly sorry for all of you who didn't get a chance to hear him on this trip. Let's hope his health will improve so that he can follow his wish to take up the lecture tour where he left off.