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Editorial

We've been hearing much about Columbia Pictures new release, *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, and frankly, I feel that it's not going to be the shocker the publicity agents have tried to pass it off as.

My reason for thinking this way has some logic; first, why the secrecy behind the whole production right from the start? We were even denied review passes which would have helped us to evaluate the true nature of the film.

Hollywood has always managed to get the movie goers to part with their money with schemes, and this secret-hush-hush treatment is just another Hollywood type suspense build up to get the public excited. The whole concept is to create an atmosphere of mystery, and oh, how the public love mysteries.

One more thing that bothers me is the fact that the movie is passed off as "science fiction" although we've been told that it was based on an actual UFO encounter.

Because we felt that our readers would like to know something about this film, George Early has done some research on Columbia's *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, and has come up with some revealing information. We have heard however, that the film has a religious slant, which is one reason it was released during the holiday season.

The UFO mystery is a strange one indeed, and we here at *Beyond Reality* have investigated many areas. Unfortunately, we have no answers, only theories and views. For that matter, no one has been able to come up with any answers although countless books and articles have been written. Frankly, we feel that too much of nothing has been written, and sold. Much of this trash is misleading, and has a way of confusing the real issue. Theories on UFOs have ranged from nuts and bolts space ships, to beings from other dimensions. I am not against the various avenues which have been explored—only against the positive belief in any one direction—which could be the wrong one. Lets keep our minds open.

I urge any reader who may have information dealing with the UFO enigma to write to us. There are hundreds, perhaps thousands, of UFO related happenings which are not being reported for fear of being ridiculed. It takes a brave and courageous person to report such experiences.

As most of you know, *Beyond Reality Magazine* covers every area of the strange and unknown world we live in. We would also like to hear from persons who have had some sort of psychic experiences. It would be interesting to know just how many of our readers have taken the journey to the dimension many call...*Beyond Reality*.

Sincerely
Harry Belil
editor/publisher



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Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

We have inaugurated a committee in St. Louis that will investigate national and worldwide occurrences of animal mutilations and associated phenomena. We are cooperating with the UFO Study Group of Greater St. Louis and other organizations.

We are asking the cooperation of your readers. Our eventual goal is to arrange all the data and turn it over to a scientific community or panel to study according to their own disciplines and allow them to cross-examine the data in their community.

Thank you,
Robert Murphy
Committee on Animal Mutilations
4861 Wabada Place
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Editor:

I have heard rumors of President Carter releasing all government UFO information to the public. Could you tell me if this is true?

We have made numerous calls to government agencies, and as far as we know, the only information made known to the public is the release of Air Force Project Blue Book. However, we do not know how complete the information is. —ed

Dear Editor:

As the only space scientist known to devoting full time to UFOs and as the first scientist anywhere to publish an article about Marjorie Fish's exciting star model research (way back in July, 1973), I was very pleased to see the all-too brief mention of Marjorie's work in your October issue (page 40).

I consider this work one of the

most significant pieces of ufological research ever done. There is now available a 32 page full reprint *The Zeta Reticuli Incident* containing the original *Astronomy* magazine article by then editor Terrence Dickinson and all the subsequently published comments, letters, etc., by such notables as Dr. Carl Sagen, Dr. Steven Soter, Dr. David Saunders, and Marjorie Fish.

I can offer copies at \$2.50 each or if you want 25 or more copies, \$1.00 each, postage included.

Checks should be sent to UFORI Post Office Box 502, Union City, Calif. 94587.

Sincerely
Stanton T. Friedman
Hayward, California

Dear Editor:

The article *Code Name 1151* (Beyond Reality, November, 1977) sparked several thoughts which I would like to share.

It is entirely possible that the church itself is responsible for such possessions. The Christian church has for centuries, harped on man's evil, sinful side, and what would happen to him because of it: i.e. the devil will get you and you'll go to hell. It has preached God as a very hard taskmaster who will make a person pay for every mistake—no matter how small.

We only use about 10 percent of our brain capacity leaving most of it unexplored, unfathomed region. Under stress, small women have been known to drag steel floor safes containing vital papers from burning buildings, and teenage boys have lifted cars off a father's chest when the jack holding the car failed. When the same feats

THE READERS

were tried later, under normal non-stress conditions, they are simply impossible to repeat. Who can say what happens as a result of the strain of severe guilt, and the feeling that one must be punished for some wrong doing?

The levitation experience could well be a chemical imbalance in the body which compels it to act according to a physical law not presently understood by science. A simple lack of sufficient potassium in the body can cause mental aberrations. I believe that in the very near future, what we now term possession, will be cured or held in check with vitamins (or other substances), just as schizophrenia is now.

Finally, those who believe in the devil and are anxious to find him, can find him in the most innocent places and circumstances because that is what they choose to see. Those who choose to believe in God, and to see his goodness in everything, will find that as well. I think the devil is often a convenient excuse for people who don't want to be bothered trying harder to live decent lives. They can say, as with Flip Wilson, "The devil made me do it".

Sincerely
Ms. Kitty Earle
Absecon, New Jersey

Dear Editor:

I have especially enjoyed reading articles on aspects of American History that have been featured in *Beyond Reality*.

Could you please feature an article on the reappearances of Abraham Lincoln after the tragic assassination? Accounts of his reappearance have been well doc-

umented by Martin Ebon, John Alexander, and many others.

I find this subject very interesting, and I especially would like to know if there has been any reported psychic activity at Ford's theater (where Lincoln was assassinated) since it re-opened in 1968.

Sincerely,
John W. Clance
Los Angeles, California

We are looking into this area. There have been many reported psychic happenings associated with the life of Mr. Lincoln. —ed

Dear Editor:

I have read in the October issue the article *The Ancient Astronaut Enigma*. In the last paragraph the author wrote of the so called *Jupiter Effect*. Could you please tell me where I can find more information concerning this very interesting theory?

I will appreciate any help you can give me.

Sincerely
George E. Calvert
Aransas Pass, Texas

Dr. John Gribbin, an astrophysicist, and science editor of the respected magazine "Nature" and Dr. Stephen Plagemann, who is with NASA's Goddard Space Center, began investigating the likely effects of the alignment of the planets which is due to occur in 1982.

Accord to the scientists, the event will lead to a devastating series of events here on earth. Both are authors of the recently published book by Walker & Co., "The Jupiter Effect".

Beyond Reality had an article on the Jupiter Effect in the May 1976 issue.

Dear Editor:

In 1974, I was approached by a man in Montreal. He had recognized the word *Eckankar* printed on a name-tag attached to my jacket lapel. I was taking a stroll at the conclusion of a three day Eckankar seminar. "I read some of Paul Twitchell's books on Eckankar years ago," he said. I told him about the seminar, Eckankar's current popularity, and, that Sir Darwin Gross was the present living ECK master, having succeeded Paul Twitchell in 1971.

When the gentleman discovered that Darwin Gross had just spoken at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel, he quickly asked, "I know that Paul Twitchell used to give people readings of their Akashic Records, if I hurry and catch Mr. Gross before he leaves, do you think he'd do a reading for me?" The man's face was ecstatic in anticipation of a possible affirmation from me. What I told him left him speechless. My answer sent a shockwave clear to the deepest roots of his private universe of reality. I'll never forget his facial expressions. For with the sincerest nonchalance I had simply said, "Why go to the trouble—you can do it yourself."

The Akashic records are the records of past and future incarnations. With the proper techniques of "Soul Travel" anyone with spiritual growth can view their own records.

In Eckankar this is known as ECK Vidya, a methodology which has been taught by ECK masters since very ancient times. What prompted me to write this letter is that during my lectures, I have encountered many people who be-

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Books For Review

MYTHS AND LEGENDS OF SAMOA, by C. Stuebel, Charles Tuttle Co., Inc. \$5.25.

This is a unique and fascinating book which will meet a long felt need. It deserves to be widely read as the only record of its kind available in English or Samoan languages.

This book is a collection of the myths, legends, beliefs and the many customs of the Samoan people during the nineteenth century. It is a remarkable, and valuable glimpse of the Samoan way of life in earlier times.

The contents of this book were collected and recorded in Samoan by C. Stuebel during his term as German Consul in Samoa from 1884 to 1894. The English was translated by Brother Herman, and Samoan artist Iosua Toafa has provided 45 illustrations.

PSYCHIC DREAM BOOK, by Paul E. Napora, Naylor Press, \$7.95.

Dreams are nature's way of maintaining a healthy mental state. We can, by their interpretation, avert much impending unpleasantness and become better acquainted with ourselves as well.

With this book the solution to the puzzling aspect of the meaning of these mental images is made simple.

The author details every situation of importance in the interpretation of dreams.

MANTRAS: SACRED WORDS OF POWER, by John Blofeld, Dutton, \$4.50.

With the dramatic growth of interest in the religions and mysticism of the East, more and more people have become fascinated by "mantras," the sacred

words memorized for meditation in India, China, and Tibet.

In this illustrated book John Blofeld, an acknowledged authority on Buddhist yoga, explains the significance and operation of the "words of power."

Much of his knowledge is derived from first-hand experience and from the monks and lamas encountered during a lifetime in the East.

His books include *The Tantric Mysticism of Tibet*, *The Secret and Sublime*, *Beyond the Gods*, and *The Book of Change*.

THE VALUES, by Charles Thomas Taylor, \$6.00.

A work of contemporary ethics, with an attitude both humanistic and empirical.

Taylor employs a simple psychological approach to the problem of determining right conduct. Basic tenets of his book are that man's will must adopt right values in order to control his sensations and cause good emotions, and that man's reason can correctly judge his ethical values.

This book proceeds to study and evaluate each of twelve categories of values, with absolute unconditional affirmation reserved only for the value of love.

Taylor's central argument establishes the family as the most powerful medium for love.

PSYCHIC CHILDREN, by Samuel H. Young, Doubleday, \$6.95.

A Welsh child dies in the Aberfan landslide that she has predicted, a Mexican girl receives visitors from all over the world who go away cured of their ailments, a little girl describes trips that only her dead sister has

taken, marvelous visions, amazing memories of past lives, eerie poltergeist energies...these are true stories.

Here is a remarkable and fascinating book full of incidents most recently investigated, in which children have demonstrated striking powers of clairvoyance, precognition, and psychokinesis.

While offering some stunning glimpses into a magical world that is less remote than most of us think. This book also provides practical advice to parents on how to handle a child who displays psychic abilities.

Samuel H. Young was born in West Chester, Pennsylvania. He attended Harvard where he edited the *Lampoon* and received his B.A. in 1961.

FRONTIERS OF HEALING, edited by Nicholas M. Regush, Avon (paperback) \$2.25.

This book explores the ever-widening spectrum of approaches to self-healing through psychic control—including Arigo's 'rusty knife' surgery, Edgar Cayce's remarkable conception of healing, Wilhelm Reich's orgone energy and surprisingly recent developments from the farthest frontiers of modern medical science.

THE PSYCHIC POWER OF ANIMALS by Bill Schul, Gold Medal Books, (paperback) \$1.75.

A book that will challenge everything you have ever thought about the world of animals.

You will read about abilities that you previously believed could only be demonstrated by very special humans—amazing case histories like the dog that predicted presidential elections, the end

of a New York subway strike, and the outcome of the seventh game of the 1966 World Series.

Much documentation now exists that animals indeed possess a sixth sense. This book goes into all phases of parapsychology dealing with animals.

WHAT YOUR AURA TELLS ME, by Ray Stanford, Doubleday Publishing Co., \$6.95.

The author, Ray Stanford, tells how he has learned to read human auras—how the colors and forms have definite, verifiable meanings regarding peoples' characters, their past and future, even their physical and financial well-being.

Sanford tells how he has used his own X-ray eyes to diagnose many types of illnesses more accurately than medical science. He can even predict the future.

The book also tells how scientists have witnessed his aura interpretations and have been amazed at the accuracy.

The author is known as a talented psychic, with special abilities to give readings while in a trance. He is also able to derive precise archaeological information from psychic dreams.

HIGH FRONTIER: COLONIES IN SPACE, by Gerard K. O'Neill, Morrow Publishing Co., \$8.95.

In the not too far future, people of various nationalities may be living, and also working in space communities equi-distance from the earth and moon.

Their productivity may be shared between the building of additional communities and the construction of satellite solar power stations to supply abundant ener-

gy to the earth from an inexhaustible source.

The author, a Princeton University physicist, originated the concept of space colonies in 1969.

This book tells who will work in space, and how they will get there. It provides specific details on possibilities for family life and earthlike living conditions. It tells how gravity, agriculture, climate, and the length of days will be selected by the space community residents.

Dr. O'Neill shows how orbital manufacturing facilities can be built from lunar materials with solar energy, on the basis of the technology of the present decade.

The author relates how, in less than two hundred years, there will be more people living in space than here on earth.

A TRIP INTO THE MYSTIC MIND, Arkus House Publications, 8312 Yorkshire, Anaheim, Ca., \$3.95.

Take an intimate journey into the evolution of the mind and soul. Find out what level of spiritual awareness you are living in at this moment.

Although the concepts introduced are based on the author's mystical insights, nevertheless, they are back by authoritative sources and scientific research.

A book that should appeal to both students and the layman.

STRANGE STORIES OF UFOs, by Len Ortzen, Taplinger, \$7.95.

In this book, Len Ortzen objectively recounts many of the major incidents about UFOs. Among the strange stories included are: the man who set up an organization to inquire into reports of

"flying saucers" and was later visited by strange beings from another world; the captain and passengers of a BOAC airliner who watched a group of UFOs for more than 20 minutes; an Australian priest at a mission station in Papua, and a score of natives, who waved to a figure on a hovering UFO, and a host of other similar mysterious encounters.

Whether you are skeptical or a believer, these strange stories will keep you fascinated.

Len Ortzen is also the author of *Strange Mysteries of the Sea*.

HANDBOOK OF PARAPSYCHOLOGY, Van Norstrand Reinhold Publishing Company.

An outstanding book, edited by some of the leading names in parapsychology. They explain the theories that are presently guiding psychical research. It explores possible future applications of parapsychology in such fields as medicine, biology, physics, and anthropology. It also brings into scientific perspective the accounts of psychic research in the USSR.

In addition, the handbook also describes some current laboratory studies of psychic abilities and spontaneous cases. It introduces several new topics and analysis procedures to stimulate and guide future investigations.

Extrasensory perception and psychokinesis are explored, as are poltergeists and other forms of paranormal physical occurrences. Among the many subjects covered are the affects of psychological factors on psychic phenomena and the application of modern technology to parapsychological research.

Also included is an examination of the evidence for various forms of life after death. □

UFO UPDATE

—McDONALD COUNTY, MO.

Within the last year, residents of McDonald County have experienced numerous encounters with UFOs. The latest sighting was reported by Doyle Shields of the Noel Police Department. Shields spotted a brilliantly glowing light floating across the sky at about 4:30 in the morning on September 24. He immediately reported the sighting to the sheriffs office in Pineville.

The light was then observed by the dispatcher on duty, and the city Marshalls from both Pineville and Southwest City. Carl Armstrong, city marshall from Pineville, stated that he observed the strange looking disc for over an hour. He said that he did not see the UFO move, and that it was flashing various colored lights. He said that it suddenly faded away and then reappeared.

Several persons saw the UFO that morning, according to the police report, five law officers, and two citizens of the small town in Missouri.

This sighting wasn't the first that has been reported from Pineville. Several weeks back, law enforcement officials reported that a couple had witnessed a landing by a UFO which they described as about 50 feet across, 15 feet high, and with numerous flashing lights around it.

A Kansas City based UFO organization interviewed many of the persons involved in the sightings, and stated that their stories were highly credible.

—LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

Two diamond shaped UFOs leaving trails of blue light, soared across the skies of California in a manner that would of left

tourists frantic at the distance it covered in such a short period of time. The UFO seemed to travel over 50 miles a second as it was spotted by seven airmen at March Air Force Base. It was also spotted by two Los Angeles helicopter crewmen, and two California highway patrolmen.

The first to report the sightings were the helicopter crewmen in the Whittier Hills area about 25 miles from downtown L.A. They described the UFO as being diamond shaped, and emitting weird bright orange and blue lights. The airmen were next to spot the flying object, "traveling at high speeds south to north at approximately 3000 feet," said Major Brian Daly, information officer at March Air Force Base, located about 50 miles from downtown Los Angeles. "The object glowing orange and bluish streams of light was observed for about thirty seconds," Daly said.

It was later spotted about 56 miles away in the Firestone area by two highway patrolmen. A resident of Firestone said that his home was bathed in blue light from the strange object. Within the next few minutes they were seen over various parts of Southern California, appearing to cover as many as 100 miles a second.

The residents of California are not sure that what they witnessed was not an example of superior technology, and neither is Major Daly of the Air Force.

—MEMPHIS, TENN.

Federal and local officials are baffled concerning the mysterious appearance of a ball of fire that blazed through the skies at a high rate of speed. Officials of the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration)

at the Memphis International Airport acknowledged a number of reports of flying discs soaring through the area, including one report by an air traffic controller who said it appeared to be a controlled machine of some kind.

The air traffic controller, Bill Nichols, said that the object was a mass of bright lights that flared up for a minute and then sprayed sparks of fire all over the sky. Nichols said that the object was moving at a high speed in an easterly direction, and then seemed to burn out leaving a cloud of smoke.

—FRAMINGHAM, MA.

Peter Vangel of Natck said he saw the flying saucer as he was driving towards home on Route 30 in Framingham. He said that the object was "the most beautiful red color I have ever seen." He described the object as being egg-shaped, and seemed to have some kind of a tail.

"It came down slowly over the tree tops, about 10 degrees from my direction. It looked like it was heading for Sudbury."

Vangel was not the only person to turn in a report of an unidentified flying object. Residents in the Nobscot area called in reports of an object that was hovering in the sky with flashing white lights all over it. Richard Mooney, a witness, said that he saw the thing as it was about to land. "The object looked like a modern plane with lights all over it."

—MOSCOW

A recent report from the Soviet Union stated that Russian officials are baffled by what appeared to be a huge mass of light that flared up in the skies of Petrozavodsk, a

small city in Soviet Karelia.

The fantastic UFO hovered over the city for about 15 minutes. The report said that it had the shape of a jellyfish, and it radiated a multitude of light beams.

Tass, the official Soviet News Agency further reported that the strange object was surrounded by grey clouds and it had a bright red light in the center. The phenomenon occurred at about 4 a.m. over the city which is about 130 miles from the Soviet-Finish border. Several witnesses described the object as very large and round.

Tass quoted an official of the Petrozavodsk observatory as saying that the object in the sky was a mystery, and that several top Soviet scientists are doing further studies.

—PHILLIPSTON, MASS.

An extensive search failed to turn up any sign of a mysterious "fireball" that lit up a swampy, wooded area near this central Massachusetts town.

The flaming object was sighted by dozens of people which included firemen, a state trooper, and a pilot.

Fire Chief Gordon Tallman said he watched the object for more than an hour before it landed in a wooded area. His men searched for what they thought was a fire in the woods. He said that the men never got close to the bright object, and a helicopter failed to find any sign of it.

A state trooper was one of the first to see the hovering ball of fire while driving on route 2. He didn't know just what to report. "It was glowing like the sun." One woman said she thought it was the sun until she realized that it was

moving in a weird fashion.

Whatever it was that landed in the woods is still a mystery. A complete search by officials found nothing.

—RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA

"I don't know if it was a UFO or what, but there was something," reported deputy Jim Evans of the Riverside County sheriff's office. Evans, along with his partner Bob Boytor, saw this strange flying object which they described as "a cigar with a light on each end" at about 3:45 a.m. Guards at March Air Force Base also reported seeing UFOs at about the same time. Other sightings were reported from Los Angeles to as far as Sacramento. Robert Cash, who works as a clerk in a Riverside grocery store, said he saw two bright objects cross the sky as he was about to get in his car to go to work. This was at about the same time that Jim Eveans and his partner spotted their cigar shaped UFO.

A scientist at Griffith Park Observatory said that it was possible that it was a rare phenomenon. Dr. Edwin Krupp said that it could have been a meteor although neither he nor anyone at the observatory saw the objects.

The deputies said that the objects hovered for a while in mid-air, then passed quickly and disappeared from view over an area known as Pigeon Pass.

The Los Angeles Police Department said that their men saw similar objects at five different locations, and had monitored civil defense radio reports of sightings in various other areas of the state.

Deputy Beverly Celentano said that the object sighted was like a "bright light with an orange

tinge" and was seen by deputies in the Whittier Hills, the Firestone area, near Long Beach Airport, and in Huntington Beach.

—SOUTH AFRICA

An unidentified flying object described as "A large double star disappearing and reappearing" was sighted by two girls in the Pretoria section.

Robin Wolff said she woke up at about 2:a.m. and, unable to sleep gazed out her bedroom window at the sky. She noticed what appeared to be two bright discs joined together, flickering on and off.

She quickly woke her cousin, Lynette Van der Neut, and together they watched. The object moved slowly, then stopped, as the discs separated. Several minutes passed, and the two discs came together again.

The girls watched for about 15 minutes until the object flew off to the west at a tremendous rate of speed.

—DERWENT, TASMANIA

A low flying UFO was reported over the Brighton area by several local residents. Eye witnesses told officials from the Tasmanian UFO Investigation Center that they saw a strange object in the sky about 4 am.

It had a row of bright orange lights, and a powerful beam, like a searchlight, underneath it.

Investigators ruled out aircraft, including helicopters.

After a complete investigation, officials believe that something out of this world is active in their area. They base their belief not only on logic, but on the evidence that they have accumulated.

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NASA's Special Project:

THE SEARCH FOR INTELLIGENT LIFE IN THE UNIVERSE

Although the news media for some reason pays very little attention, a number of reputable astronomers are presently engaged in a search for extraterrestrial intelligence (SETI), at several major radio observatories. Some of the most powerful radio telescopes in the world have been used in the hopes of detecting a faint sign from some distant point in the cosmos, signalling the existence of an alien race which may have a technology many centuries more advanced than our own.

One might at first think that searching for an alien civilization would not be all that different from what radio astronomers normally do: perhaps they'll someday stumble across an alien signal by accident while making routine observations? But, this is not the case. Astronomers do not listen to sounds coming out of a radio telescope in the way that one listens to a broadcast on an ordinary radio. Radio signals from the heavens are normally plotted on a graph, or may be analyzed by a computer. Because of the way that astronomers let faint signals "build up" for long periods of

**With the help of
radio telescopes,
scientists are
now scanning the
universe in hope
of contacting other
worlds hundreds of
light years away**

BY ROBERT SHEAFFER

time, it is likely that any unusual short-term fluctuations, clearly identifying an artificial signal, would be overlooked entirely. This is why pulsars have remained undetected for so long.

In addition, radio telescopes are normally pointing at giant hydrogen clouds, or distant galaxies. Objects such as these are certainly not the most likely places to stumble across a signal from an intelligent race. The nearby star which *do* offer the best prospects for SETI give off practically no radio signals, and hence, *they are never* examined by our giant radio telescopes. And, to make matters worse, while scientists speculate that certain radio wavelengths are much more likely than others to be used for interstellar communication, radio telescopes spend only a fraction of their time examining these wavelengths. For all these reasons, the chances of a radio astronomer accidentally stumbling across an intelligent signal while making routine observations are practically zero.

The very first search for extraterrestrial intelligence was carried out in the summer of 1960 by Dr. Frank Drake. Using the 85-foot
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With over two hundred billion stars in our galaxy its more than probable that life exists on hundreds, perhaps thousands of planets in solar systems such as our own.

SEARCH FOR EXTRATERRESTRIALS/continued

radio telescope at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank, West Virginia, Drake examined only two stars: Epsilon Eridani and Tau Ceti, each about 11 light years from earth. No unusual signals were detected. After observing for a period of several weeks, the project was ended, and for almost a decade, no other SETI programs took place.

The media gave a good deal of publicity to Project Ozma, and to this day many people think that Ozma was the only project of its kind. There were, however, a few other small-scale SETI projects beginning around 1970. Dr. Gerritt Verschuur briefly examined ten nearby stars in December of 1972. There quietly began the largest, and most powerful search for extraterrestrial intelligence that the world has yet seen. It was given the name Project Ozma II.

Project Ozma II enjoyed the benefit of a dozen years advances in radio astronomy since its pioneering namesake made its observations in 1960. While Ozma used an 85-foot radio telescope, Ozma II had a massive 300-foot antenna, one of the world's largest, which gathers almost 13 times more radio energy. Only two stars were examined by Ozma, but Ozma II has examined nearly seven hundred. The first Ozma had just a single radio receiver at the center of its antenna, but Ozma II has almost four hundred.

The Ozma II researchers calculate that they are gathering data *ten million times more rapidly* than did the original project, and they have multiplied the number of stars being examined by more than three hundred! Progress in

the realm of SETI has truly been phenomenal.

Conducting the Ozma II search are radio astronomers Dr. Benjamin M. Zuckerman of the University of Maryland, and Dr. Patrick Palmer of the University of Chicago. These researchers are not wild-eyed followers of some 'alien visitors' cult. They are highly reputable scientists, recipients of the prestigious Warner prize from the American Astronomical Society. But they happen to believe that searching for extraterrestrial intelligence just might pay off. From December 1972, to December of 1976, Dr. Zuckerman and Dr. Palmer made frequent trips to the National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO) for Ozma II. Having painstakingly selected several hundred nearby solar-type stars for observation, these stars were examined at the 21-centimeter radio wavelength. Since the various motions of the earth and of the hypothetical planet on which the alien transmitter might be located can cause the apparent wavelength of the radio signal to change considerably, each one of the 384 separate receivers used by Ozma II is tuned to a slightly different wavelength in the vicinity of 21-centimeters, so that it is unlikely that any alien signal would be overlooked.

Why was the 21-Centimeter wavelength selected out of an infinite number of other possible wavelengths? Because hydrogen atoms, scattered throughout interstellar space, radiate electromagnetic energy at this wavelength, and hydrogen is the most abundant element in the universe. Hence, any radio astronomer on any planet in the universe would

be quite familiar with the powerful 21-Centimeter wavelength radiation, and might conclude that this is the "natural" wavelength for interstellar radio communication to take place. Not all SETI researchers accept this conclusion but, the majority of SETI projects undertaken so far have utilized 21-Centimeters as their principal target wavelength.

The observations for Project Ozma II have been completed, and a final report on the project is now being written. Because of the slow pace at which publication of scientific papers usually proceeds, don't expect to see the Ozma II results in print any sooner than a year from now. Did Ozma II discover any unusual radio signals from the cosmos? Officially, the results are not yet available, but unofficially the Ozma II researchers are saying that the results *appear* to be negative. But they're not sure. What they mean is that while no signals were found that *clearly* originate from an alien civilization, observation of a few stars did reveal unexplained "glitches". In all probability, these "glitches" were just interference from terrestrial radars or airplanes (radio astronomers see that happen far too often!). But the Ozma II report will contain a full account of these "glitches" so that other researchers can check up on them, just in case they do represent something unusual. In fact, Palmer says that some other researchers at NRAO have already initiated a small-scale SETI program using special high-sensitivity equipment, and the stars that showed "glitches" are being an especially careful examination.

Even if Project Ozma II does *not*

discover intelligent life on some strange alien world, it has made an enormous contribution to the project, by giving other SETI researches information about many stars and wavelengths that they do not need to examine.

Another large-scale SETI program is being carried out at the radio observatory of the Ohio State University near Columbus, under the direction of Dr. Robert S. Dixon. The Ohio State radio telescope is an unusual-looking device: one might at first mistake it for a football field with bleachers set up at the goal lines! But what appear to be seats for football fans are in reality giant metal reflectors: a flat one reflects radio signals from overhead onto the second reflector, which has a parabolic curve to focus the signals into a tiny collecting house near the base of the first reflector. In this way most of the sky can be examined, even though the massive parabolic reflector cannot be moved!

Dr Dixon has adopted a bold strategy in his search for extraterrestrial life, one which sets it apart from every other SETI project to date. He does not attempt to select any targets for his antenna. Instead he is searching *all* of the sky that is accessible to his telescope, making his observations 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Suppose that radio signals are being given off by a spaceship deep in interstellar space, or by an advanced civilization living on a dark body not near any star. Project Ozma II would never find such a signal, but the Ohio State radio telescope just might. At every moment of the day or night, there an average of three solar-

type stars, potentially favorable for life, being examined by Dr. Dixon's instruments. Far remote stars are being examined by the Ohio State project than by all of the other SETI programs combined.

The key idea behind Dr. Dixon's approach is what he labels "anti-cryptography." Unlike terrestrial spies and intelligence agencies, which use special techniques to make their communications as difficult as possible to select and interpret, any alien race wanting to communicate across interstellar distances would take great pains to make its signals easy to find. Hence it would seem that they would choose just *one* unmistakable wavelength at which to communicate. Dr. Dixon feels that this would most likely be the 21-Centimeter hydrogen wavelength.

But even this is not sufficiently exact, since we do not know if the alien transmitter would be on a planet that is moving toward us or away: any relative motion at all between the two planets changes the apparent wave length. Hence it seems likely that the transmitting race would allow for the motion of their planet, adjusting the wavelength to match some well-defined standard. After all, *they* know how fast their planet is moving, but *we* certainly don't! The listener then makes the same adjustment for his own planet's motion (which Dr. Dixon does.) But what possible standard exists, that could provide a natural reference frame for all civilization in our galaxy? The answer is obvious: the galaxy itself. Hence Dr. Dixon adjusts his radio receiver to exactly match the 21-centimeter radio energy given off by hydrogen atoms which are at

rest with respect to the center of the galaxy. He hopes that any alien civilization attempting to signal other planets will do the same with its transmitter.

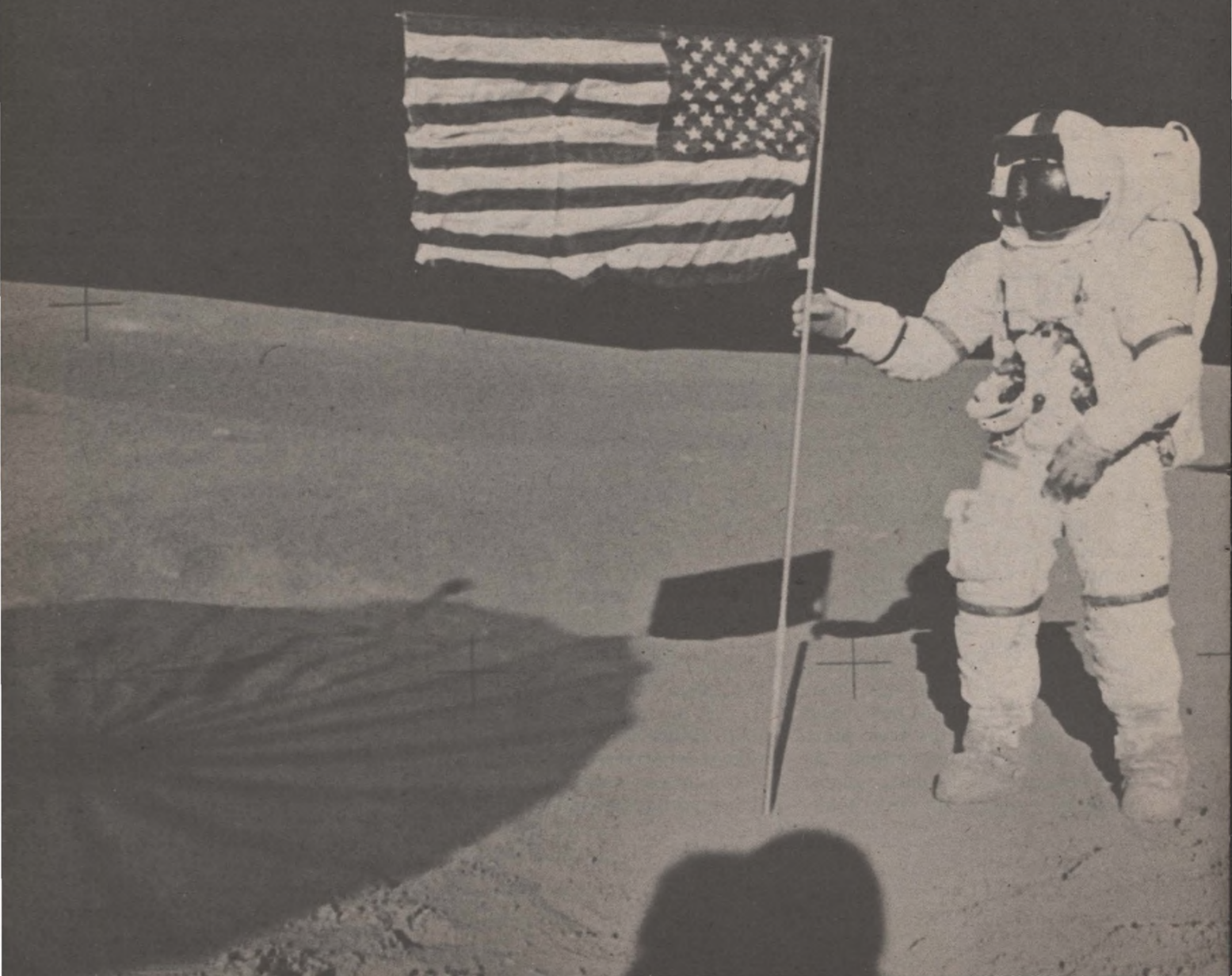
Unfortunately, the Ohio State radio search has not yet turned up any signals that appear to be of intelligent origin. But the search continues, day and night, and no end to the project is in sight. (Dr. Dixon says that he plans to continue for as long as his funds and his equipment hold out!) In his spare time, Dr. Dixon is working on some computer programs that will help automate the search even more than it is already, greatly reducing the demands on his time, and the possibility for human error. The history of science has shown, time and again, examples of where persistence in a difficult undertaking finally paid off with success beyond one's wildest dreams. No one can say if or when the Ohio State SETI project will pay off, but if it does, Dr. Robert S. Dixon will have certainly earned it!

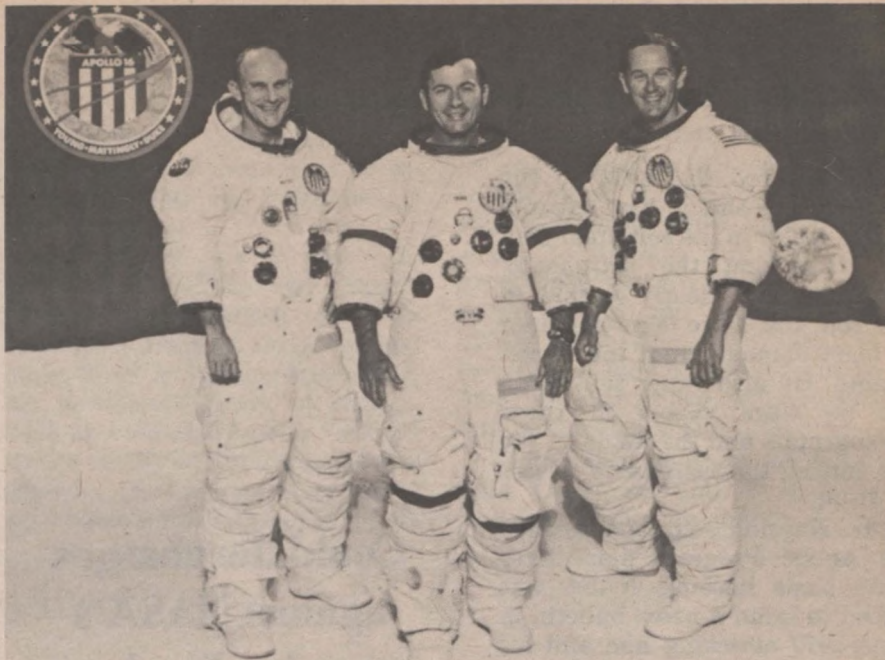
There are still more SETI projects now underway, of smaller scale, which we have not yet even mentioned. At Canada's Algonquin Park Radio Observatory in Ontario, researches are examining several hundred nearby solar-type stars at the wavelength of the *water* molecule, 1.35 Centimeters. Since life as we know it depends on water for its very existence, some scientists feel that the water molecule provides a more "natural" communications wavelength than the hydrogen atom. At the world's as largest radio telescope at Arecibo Puerto Rico, Dr. Frank Drake and Dr. Carl Sagan, two of the best-known names in the SETI

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DID WE REALLY GO TO THE MOON?





Prime crew of the tenth manned Apollo Mission, Thomas K. Mattingly, John W. Young, and Charles M. Duke, Jr.

Since the first U.S. astronauts landed on the moon in July 1969, millions of people in this country, and in other parts of the world have questioned whether American astronauts really went to the moon. Public opinion polls have shown that at least 30 percent of the American population believe that the Apollo photographs were actually made at a film studio and not on the moon. Because of Watergate and Vietnam more and more people have joined the ranks of skeptics and unbelievers. Hollywood has realized that a large market exists among these people and a new film, "Capricorn One," will be released soon. The film will show Elliot Gould as a reporter who discovers that the United States faked the first manned landing on Mars.

One reason why people are so skeptical about the moon landings

is a book which was published in 1976 entitled *We Never Went to the Moon; America's Thirty Billion Dollar Swindle!* by William Kaysing, a former rocket engineer. Mr. Kaysing became very interested in this subject when he read European newspapers in 1969 which questioned some of the technical aspects of the photographs of the LEM and the astronauts on the lunar surface.

As a rocket engineer with many years of experience he knew what to look for when he studied these Apollo photographs and he came to the conclusion that they had to be made in a film studio. His major criticism about these photographs showing the LEMs after their landing on the moon, was the fact that there was no craters under the vehicles rocket engines.

Mr. Kaysing claims that the 10,000 pound thrust rocket engine

Astronaut Alan Shepard Jr., commander of the Apollo 14 mission, stands besides the U.S. flag during first extravehicular activity on the moon. Shadows of Astronaut Edgar D. Mitchell, can also be seen.

DID WE REALLY GO TO THE MOON?/continued

which lowered the LEM to the lunar surface should have created a large crater in the soft lunar soil. He notes that the astronauts' footprints are clearly visible in this soil, but there is no evidence of blast damage from the rocket engine. He also states that there are no stars visible in these photographs and the angle of the sun hitting the astronauts' visors is wrong.

Mr. Kaysing's charges against the Apollo Program must have some basis because NASA was forced to issue a news bulletin in June 1977 attacking him and his book. After reading and analyzing this report it seems that Mr. Kaysing arguments could have some validity.

NASA states that it was impossible to fool the public in this matter because there were 3,500 reporters at Kennedy Space Center, and therefore there were enough witnesses to prove that the rockets took off and went to the moon. Mr. Kaysing states in his book that the rockets did take off but the astronauts went into orbit around the earth, and secretly came down in the Pacific. At any rate there were no reporters on the moon to verify the landings of the LEMs!

As for the lack of craters under the LEM's rocket engine, they would like us to believe that the "cohesive" lunar soil is like water in a pond after a rock is thrown into it; the surface quickly parts, and then reforms. If the lunar soil is so "cohesive" then the astronauts' footprints should have also disappeared in this material. It is hard to believe that this loose soil can "deflect the blast" of a 10,000 pound rocket engine while clearly showing the footprints of men who weigh only 30 pounds on the lunar surface.

Other charges that Mr. Kaysing made in his book were ignored such as the lack of stars in the

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that American
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landed on the moon.
Why—is NASA
hiding something?**

astronauts' photographs, and the angle of the sun on their visors. At any rate here is the actual text of this information sheet as it was released by NASA:

FGM/office of Public Affairs
NASA Headquarters
Washington, D.C. 20546

DID U.S. ASTRONAUTS REALLY LAND ON THE MOON?

Yes. Astronauts did land on the moon.

Beginning with the Apollo 11 lunar landing on July 20, 1969, a total of 12 astronauts explored the moon's surface on foot and traveling in the lunar rover vehicle.

On Apollo missions 11, 12, (Apollo 13 was aborted, but returned to earth safely), 14, 15, 16, and 17, the commanders, and lunar module pilots conducted a series of experiments, photographed their lunar surroundings, and returned to earth 382 kilograms (843 pounds) of lunar surface materials consisting of more than 2,000 samples.

From time to time we are asked the question above as a result of at least one book, and recurring articles in various publications based either on its content or individuals' expressions of their opinions.

Apart from the fact that millions of people saw the Apollo series on television, and heard them on radio in real time, perhaps the lunar material is as irrefutable proof as any that the moon missions were not "faked." The rocks and particles, still under study by scientists worldwide, were clearly formed in an atmosphere lacking oxygen and water, and they show major chemical differences from any previously known earth rocks. This material could not have been collected, or even manufactured on earth, and clearly comes from an entirely different world.

Even if NASA had set out to "fake" the Apollo or any of its other programs, there is no possibility it could have done so. Since its inception in 1958, NASA has operated an "open" program, i.e.: all activities have been covered in depth by news media. For example, during Apollo 11, over 3,500 media representatives from all over the world were at Kennedy Space Center, Florida, for the liftoff. Most of these press, television, and radio reporters shifted immediately after launch to Johnson Space Center, Texas, to follow the operational phases through splashdown in the Pacific Ocean and recovery by aircraft carrier with the U.S. President aboard. Before undertaking the Apollo program, NASA had to justify it to the President and Congress before funds were appropriated. The Apollo series cost approximately 25 billion dollars.

A number of specific queries have been received regarding the book, *We Never Went to the Moon*, in which the author claims the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) set up a secret organization in the Nevada desert where the simulated-for-television landings took place. The author alleges that there is no visible crater produced by the engine's blast under the lunar module (LM) in photographs of it resting on the moon's surface. His ideas in this respect seems to be based on two misunderstandings of the moon:

1. Although the descent engine on the LM is powerful, most of its operation takes place thousands of feet above the moon during the early stages of the landing. Because the lunar atmosphere is a near-perfect vacuum, no air currents are set up that would scour the surface at a distance as might occur during a landing on earth. Movies of the landing show that, at the moment of touchdown, a small amount of surface dust is

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Will it be possible to travel to new planets which orbit fixed stars when our sun and our planet have cooled to such an extent that life is no longer able to survive?

THE FINAL MIGRATION

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BY ROBERT H. GODDARD

Interior of a huge space colony which will be stationed a quarter of a million miles from earth, and constructed entirely of ore mined from the moon.

On January 14 1918, Doctor Robert H. Goddard wrote out, in longhand, on both sides of four sheets of plain white paper, an "Outline of Certain Notes on High Altitude Research." This document he folded, put into an ordinary stamped envelope, and entrusted to a friend for safekeeping. On the outside of it he wrote the date and the title, "The Last Migration," and added the following caveat: "The notes should be read thoroughly only by a person who is an optimist." On the same day he wrote out a somewhat simpler condensation of the paper which he entitled "The Ultimate Migration."

Nine and a half years later, Dr. Goddard wrote on the back of the envelope the postscript which appears at the conclusion of his article, herewith. P.S.C.

Will it be possible to travel to the planets which are around the fixed stars, when the sun and the earth have cooled to such an

extent that life is no longer possible on the earth?

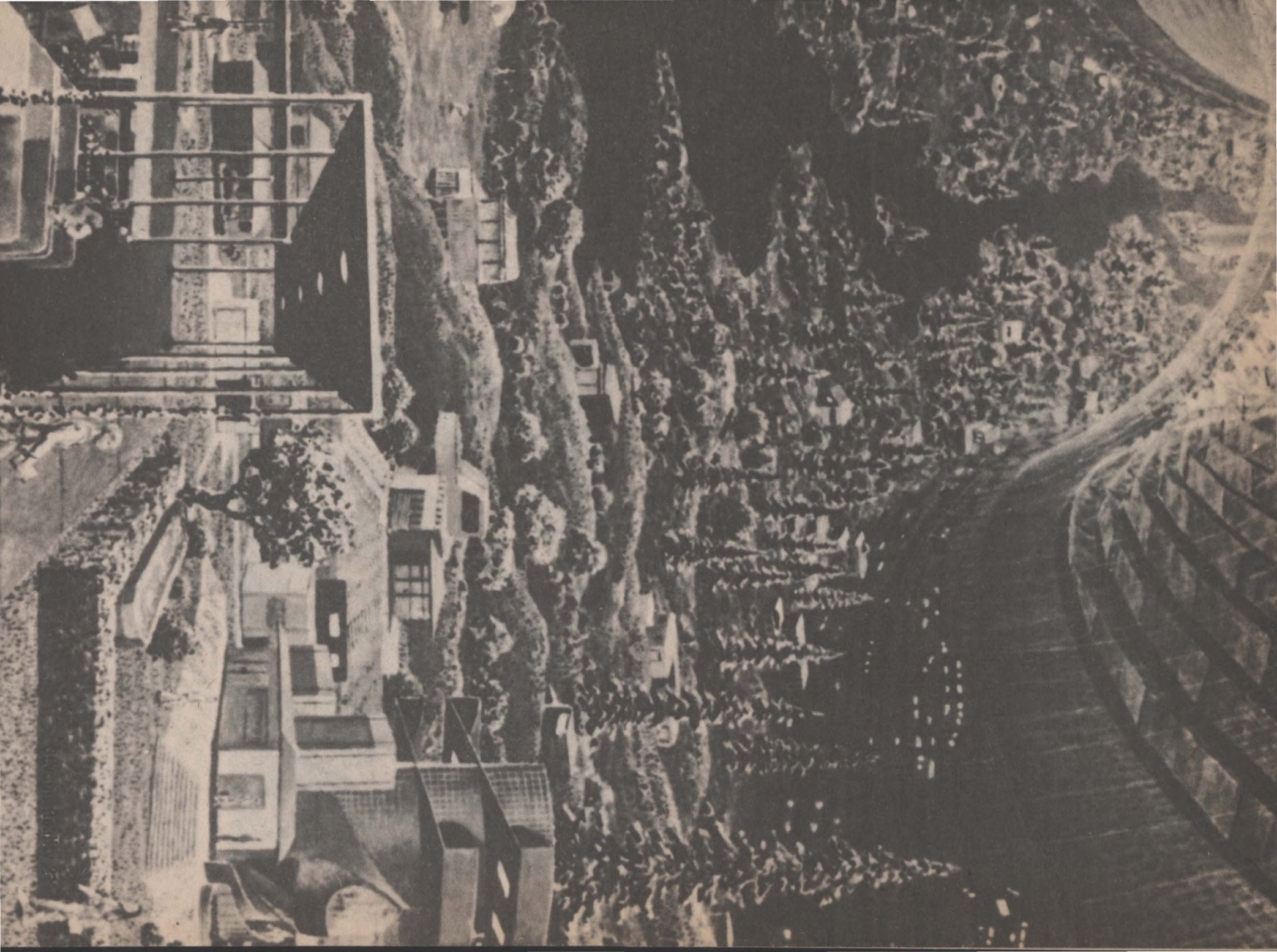
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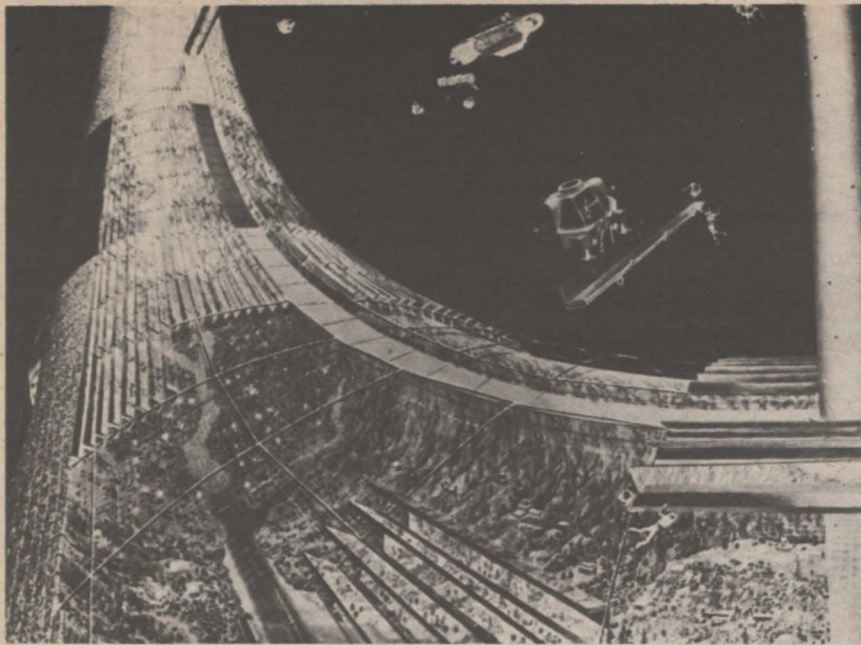
First, will it possible to unlock, and control, intra-atomic energy? And second, if the first cannot be answered in the affirmative, will it be possible to reduce the protoplasm in the human body to the granular state, so that it can withstand the intense cold of inter-stellar space? It would probably be necessary to dessicate the body, more or less, before this state could be produced. Awakening may have to be done very slowly. It might be necessary to have people evolve, through a number of generations, for this purpose.

If it is possible to unlock, and to control, intra-atomic energy, or even to store up great quantities of energy in artificial atoms, the transportation can be a comparatively simple matter.

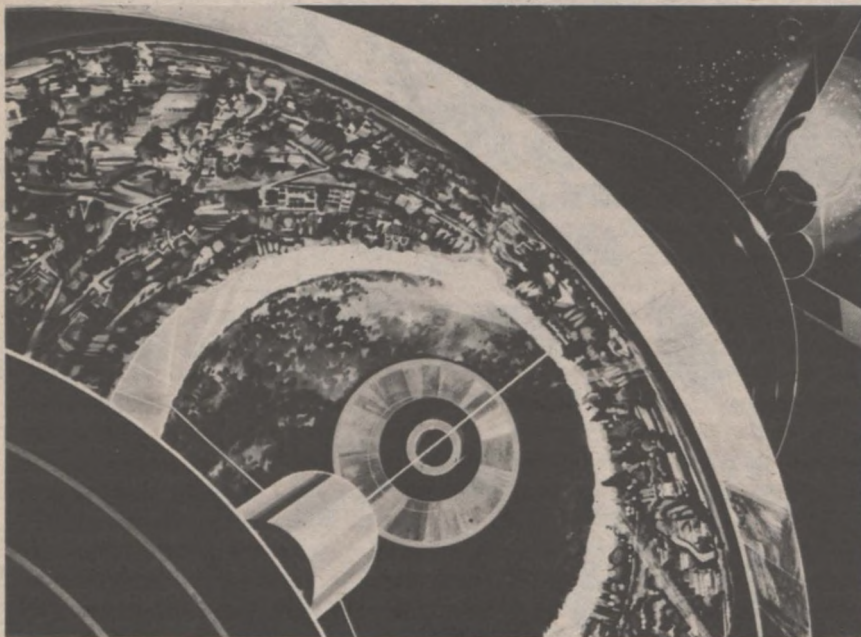
In the first place it would be easy to attain the requisite speed

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A segment of the torus-shaped space colony is shown during final construction. Shown in this conception is an agricultural area with a lake and a river. Artificial gravity will be provided on a 1 rpm rotation of the space colony.



Cut away view of interior of a proposed space-habitat, fully shielded against cosmic rays by a spherical shell made of lunar material. Some 10,000 inhabitants will live and work here.

for a reasonably short trip. Further, a large body could be used as the vehicle, such as an asteroid or small moon. In this case life could be continued, if the body were made as poor a (heat) radiator as possible; the radioactivity furnishing light and heat. Of course, there is the possibility that after many thousands of years, the characteristics and natures of the passengers might change, with succeeding generations.

A large body would also afford protection against meteors, if these occur in interstellar space.

If it is not possible to obtain and control atomic energy, hydrogen, and oxygen, burned and ejected from a magazine rocket apparatus must be used, aided by solar energy, to get up speed, and leaving the solar system with such a velocity that, at a great distance from the solar system the speed will be 3 to 10 miles per second. This will, of course, necessitate a very large apparatus, initially, unless solar energy can be used over a considerable time to get up speed either by passing thru the solar system from end to end, crossing as far from the sun as possible, or spiralling outward until sufficient speed had been obtained.

The pilot should be awakened, or animated at intervals perhaps of 10,000 years for a passage to the nearer stars, and 1,000,000 years for the greater distances, or for other stellar systems.

To accomplish this, a clock operated by the change in weight (rather than by electric charges, which produce too rapid effects) of a radioactive substance should be used. Any substances to be used

as a spring should be tested for permanent set at low temperatures. It might be necessary to use the pressure of the gases generated by the radioactivity. This would amount to a radium alarm clock. The initial motions produced by the pilot should be controlled by small motions of the fingers.

Energy for the various operations could probably be best stored as electric charges produced, and replenished by radioactivity, rather than by superconductors, or by chemical substances that might change with time. Probably most chemical substances would remain very inert at the low temperature of space. This awakening would of course be necessary in order to steer the apparatus if it became off its course.

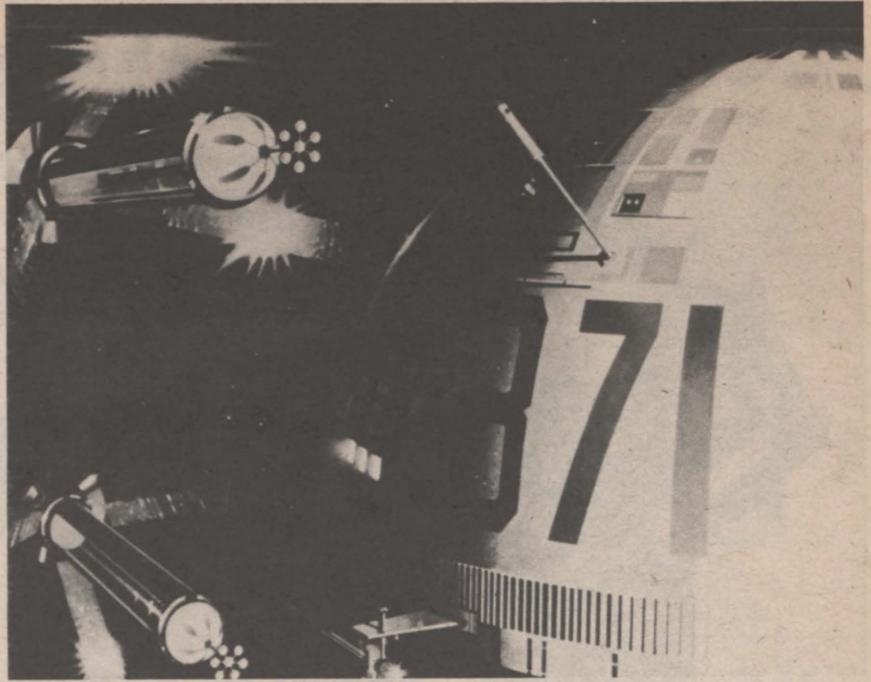
Where would the journey be made to?

The most desirable destination would be near a large sun or twin suns on a planet like the earth, but, of course more distant from the sun or suns so that the temperature will not be high—the planet being in the early stage of development. Here, further development of the race could take place for many ages before the sun or suns became too cool to support life.

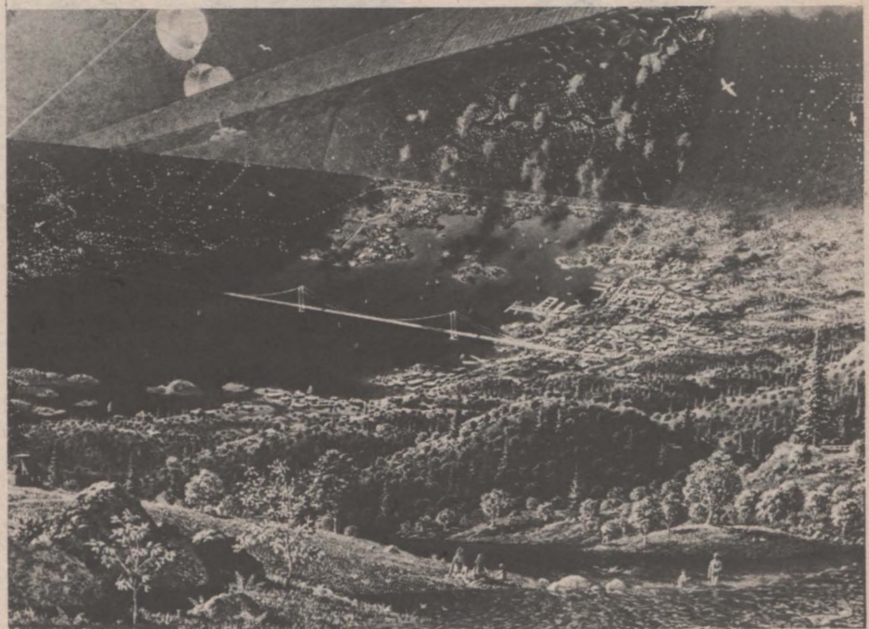
The destination should be in a part of the sky where the stars are thickly clustered, so that further migration would be easy. The stars being preferable hydrogen or new stars.

Because of possible danger from meteoric matter in space, expeditions should be sent to all parts of the Milky Way where new

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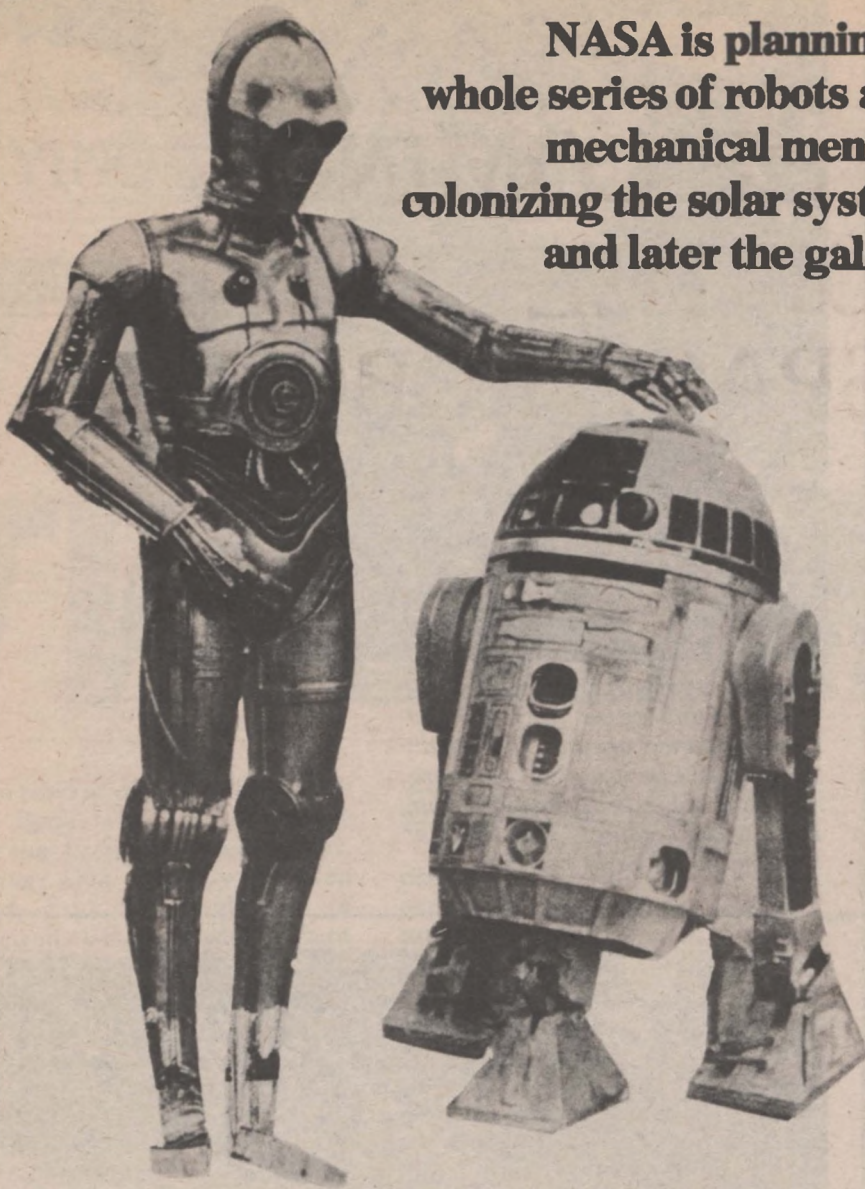


A space tug approaches two space colony cylinders as they orbit at lunar distance around the earth. The tug will be a major transportation vehicle to bring settlers from earth to the colonies. This cylinder represents an early concept.



Could residents of a space colony maintain life as we know it? This question and others concerning space colonization were covered during the NASA-Ames-Stanford summer study by NASA experts.

NASA is planning a whole series of robots and mechanical men for colonizing the solar system and later the galaxy



These robots are the stars of the science fiction film "Star Wars". They behave remarkably human, and have an intelligence no human can match. It won't be long before robots similar to these will be available.

Darth Vader, the bionic villain, starred in the film "Star Wars". This film is enjoying a tremendous popularity. Bionic humans with super-human strength have been on the drawing board for many years. NASA is planning a series of robots, and bionic men for colonizing the galaxy.



BY RAMONA CORTEZ

THE COMING OF THE SPACE ROBOTS

People who have seen the movie, *Star Wars*, are fascinated by the different types of robots which star in the film. Although this picture is supposed to be science fiction, our scientists and engineers have been designing and building equipment similar to that found in *Star Wars*.

Star Wars show robots which look, act, and think like human beings. The public is not generally aware that our scientists have been building such robots since the 1890's. A steam-powered robot was built in 1893 by George Moore, and it was designed to carry explosives to the enemy on the battlefield. Apparently it was not successful because it required large hoses in order to carry the steam, and they could be cut very easily.

More advanced robots were built in the 1930's, and they were more practical than the earlier ones. One was designed by Capt. Richards in England, and it could speak, shake hands, and sit down. A robot of American design which was shown at the 1939 World's Fair in New York City also could walk and talk. Interestingly, a robot dog also seen at the fair could bark, and run around exactly like a real live dog.

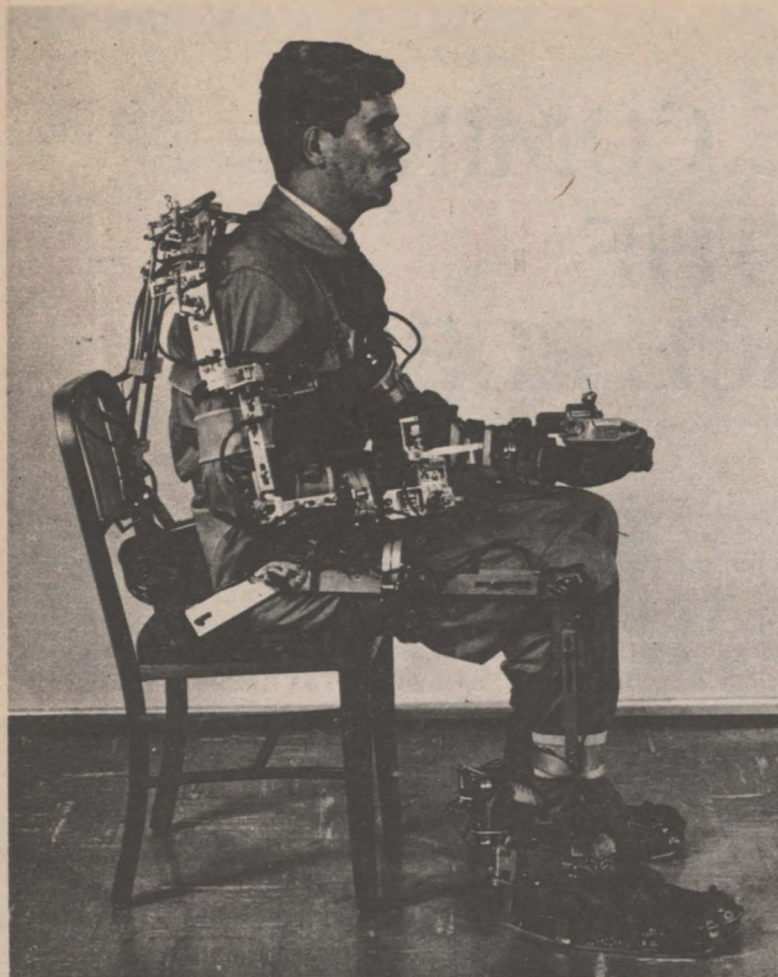
The technology to build human type robots became so advanced in the 1960's that the entertainment industry started to use them in various ways. In Disney

World which is located in Florida there is an exhibit of robot American Presidents. Each robot looks like a former President, and they all move, and seem to talk to each other. The Abraham Lincoln robot appears completely life-like in every detail with coordination of speech, facial expressions, and body movements. This robot gives a 10-minute address compiled from six of Lincoln's speeches. It is so life-like that tourists are known to faint at the sight of such a mechanical marvel.

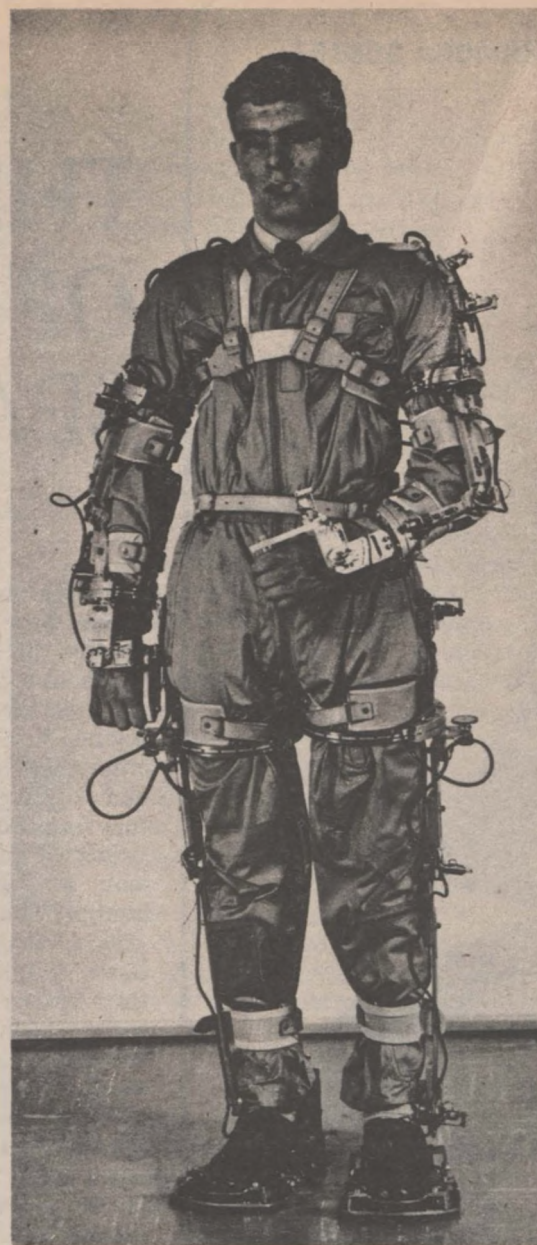
The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) started to build life-like robots in the mid-1960's as part of the Apollo Program to put men on the moon. These "dummies" were supposedly designed to test space suits, but they could have been used for other purposes. The NASA robots reproduced 35 basic human movements, ranging from arm, hand and leg manipulations to bending and rotating at the waist.

The nylon-tube circulatory system of the mechanical men carried light weight oil at body temperature, and at a pressure of 1,000 pounds per square inch. In response to signals from the electrical nervous system, special valves open and close to direct oil to hydraulic actuators (the muscles). These robots have tremendous power; they probably could beat *The Six Million Dollar Man* in a

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In both these photos, we see an exoskeleton built by Cornell Aeronautical Laboratory. If powerful motors were placed at the joints, an exoskeleton becomes a man amplifier.



battle. They can move their arms forward with a force of 850 pounds, and bend forward at the hips with 2,766 pounds of force. They can also shake hands with almost 300 pounds of force. The skin consists of 1/32 of an inch of aluminum, and the robot can be controlled by an operator with a potentiometer. More advanced models could contain small, but very advanced computers in their heads. These computers would allow these robots to act just like the robots shown in the movie *Star Wars*.

Of Course, the military is extremely interested in such remarkable robots. They call them "Homo Mechanicus" or man

created in his own likeness, and the first actual model was built in the early part of 1969 for the nuclear rocket program. At that time the government was building nuclear rockets at the Los Alamos Nuclear Laboratories in New Mexico, and they needed these machines to operate the reactors in flight. These robots could also be used in regular atomic power plants because they would not be hurt by the deadly radiation coming from the reactors.

The Navy was planning in the late 1960's to use these robots to disarm explosives and to attack enemy ships. The army was thinking of using them as soldiers, and the CIA has probably

used them in their spy work. Indeed, the *Six Million Dollar Man* could be based on actual technology which exists today!

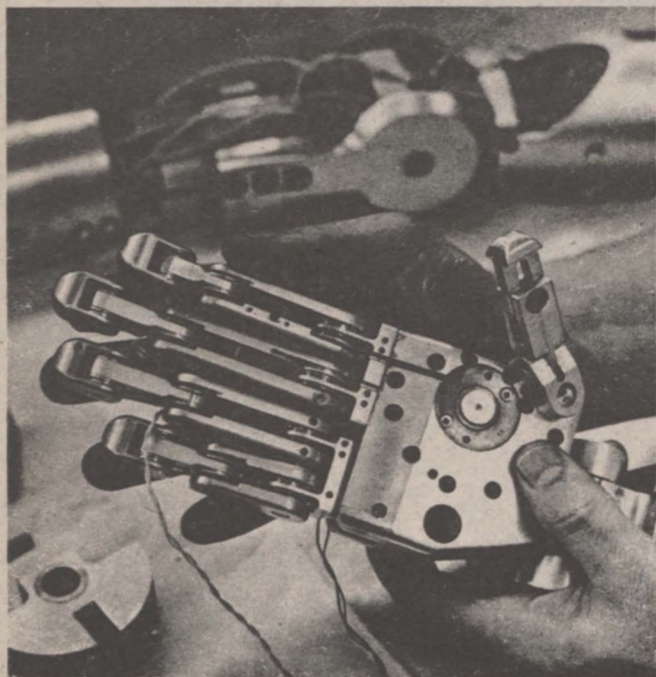
NASA is planning a whole series of robots and mechanical men for colonizing the solar system, and later the galaxy. These robots will be needed to mine minerals and settle planets where beings may never be able to land because of harsh environmental conditions.

The space agency, and the military were also designing and building arms and legs of super human strength in the 1960's similar to the equipment shown in *Star Wars* and *The Six Million*

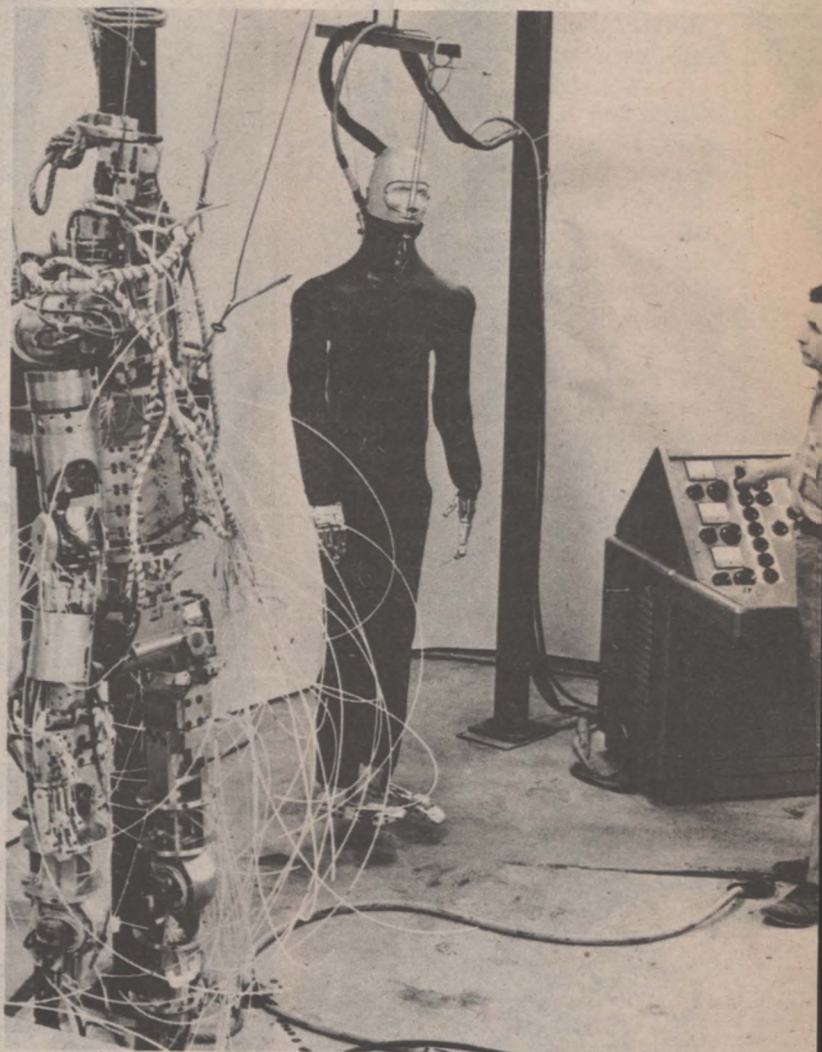
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This robot was built in the 1930s by Captain Richards in England. It could speak, shake hands and sit down. The robot was named RUR which is the title of a 1921 play by Karl Capek, a Czechoslovakian playwright. It stands for Russum's Universal Robots. Capek's play introduced the word robot into the English language.



This mechanical hand was developed by NASA. It is part of an articulated dummy which will be used to study space suit mobility.



This photo shows a NASA robot. It reacts to commands from a control console. Electric connections enter at the head.



Insights on a strange case;

Did Villas Boas actually indulge in sexual intercourse with an alien woman in what seems to be breeding experiments, or did he hallucinate the strange encounter?

SEDUCED BY A FEMALE FROM ANOTHER WORLD!

BY S.B. MILCARTZ

UFO occupants were claimed to have forced a Brazilian farmer to make love to an alien lady. This famous story seems to have absurd and contradictory details.

Researchers have been both doubtful and mystified. If we are to make sense from what Antonio Villas Boas said happened to him, the most important clues will be these very contradictions, and seeming absurdities. If UFO occupants are real superior aliens, and if their behavior seems absurd to us, then it must surely be that our reasoning is absurd, and not their behavior.

Speculation about alien intelligence has suffered badly from a general failure to face facts about the human condition. We can imagine what aliens might be like only if we first truthfully state what a human being is like.

Our intelligent behavior is guided by animal nature. This has to be true of any intelligent people anywhere in the universe. Without animal nature there is nothing to guide to the operation of

intelligence. Deprived of instincts, intelligence would be static, vegetable, and vulnerable.

Breeding of intelligent beings, then, cannot be different from animal breeding in either quantity or quality. This is at the heart of the Villas Boas story.

Antonio Villas Boas, then aged 23, had a farm near Francisco de Sales in the state of Minas Gerais, Brazil. He sometimes worked in the fields at night to escape the heat of the day.

At 2300 hours on October 5th, 1957, a persistent light came down on his house. It was white, silverish, with fluorescent reflection all around, and had no visible source. It moved, and at one point shone down into the room through the many ventilating gaps in the roof tiles.

While in the field nine days later, Villas Boas saw a dazzling light. Of cartwheel size, it was red, and was suspended in the air about 100 meters above the field. Every time he approached it, it moved to the opposite end of the field. He

kept trying without success to get close to the light. He eventually tired of the effort and went back to his work.

About an hour after midnight on the following night, he was again working in the field. The motor of his tractor stopped when a UFO of unprecedented design approached and landed.

The UFO looked like a modern artist's version of a duck or a tortoise perched on three slender supports. Four small manlike creatures got out of it and forcibly dragged Boas inside the craft. This was a tremendous undertaking for the small aliens since he struggled hard to get free. Their biggest task was getting him up the ladder and into the door. At no time did they hurt him or tear his clothes, even though he threshed about frantically while they forcibly undressed him.

Three of the creatures were each about 1.60 meters (5'2") tall and the fourth was about 1.37 meters (4'6"). Villas Boas related that their speech was not in the least

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THE ALIEN STOCK BREEDERS/continued

like human speech. It was succession of barks that were only a little like those made by a dog, but unlike anything he had heard before. There were yelps and slow barks that were neither very clear nor very hoarse. Some were longer barks, others shorter, and some contained different sounds all at once. At other times the barks ended in a wavering way. To Villas Boas, these were merely sounds, the barks of animals, and he could distinguish nothing at all like a syllable or a word. He remembered none of it later because it has all sounded alike. He could not imagine how the creatures could understand each other with such sounds.

After they undressed him they spread a clear, thick, odorless, and not at all oily liquid all over his body. Something softer than a rubber sponge was used for this purpose. The liquid dried quickly. The night outside was cold, and the inside of the UFO was still colder. The liquid made Villas Boas even colder until it dried.

The creatures then seemed to draw blood through the skin on two sides of his chin. They half filled one glass flask shaped like a chalice, and completely filled another. The blood seemed to be drawn from a nozzle that looked like a cupping glass and then through a thick red rubber tube over 1 meter long and then into the flask. Before blood was seen entering the flask, one of the creatures squeezed the tube as if to drive the air out of it. Villas Boas felt a burning and itching sensation at each place on his chin. Later on, visible marks of tearing and grazing remained.

The creatures next took Villas Boas into another room in the UFO and gas came in that caused him to vomit. He recovered from this slowly.

A naked woman came into the room. In all, her proportions struck Villas Boas as beautiful. Her breasts were high and well separated. Her waist was narrow

and her thighs wide. Her skin was white and her arms freckled. Her almost white hair curled inward halfway down her neck, and was parted in the middle. Her large blue eyes slanted outward, that is to say, they extended further to each side than do ours. She had virtually no lips. Her chin was pointed. Her underarm and other hair was almost blood red in color. Her odor was sweet and she was about 1.37 meters (4½ feet) tall.

Villas Boas was later able to describe the other three occupants in considerable detail, but all of this was exterior. He saw nothing under their clothing and their helmets except their eyes.

By the woman's behavior, Villas Boas was drawn into sexual activity with her. She did not kiss, but gently bit his chin once. She made grunts that almost spoiled everything at a certain point, for that made Villas Boas feel he was with an animal.

Before leaving him, she turned to him, pointed at her belly and then pointed at him, and with what seemed like a smile, she finally pointed towards the sky. To the best of his judgement, the direction in which she pointed was southward.

He was then taken back into the room in which he had been undressed and in which it seemed that blood had been taken from him. He saw another object that he thought was a clock. It had the dial and outer marks of a clock and also a hand, but the hand did not move. He tried to take the object for a souvenir, but was angrily prevented from doing so.

One of the creatures then took him on a guided tour of the outer part of the UFO. They walked around it by means of a ledge or rim. After this, Villas Boas was asked by gestures to leave. He did so, descending the ladder to the ground.

The UFO then left. He had been inside it for about 4¼ hours. He suffered from lack of sleep, and had some skin problems after the

weird experience.

At first, the tale seems like a symbolic dream. If it was real, it must surely have been a clever charade, intended to convey a message not to Villas Boas, but to us, through the agency of his report.

Instead of this metaphorical drama, the aliens could have said to Villas Boas in Portuguese, "We are from a planet circling the star you call Beta Hydri. We look similar to you but this is due only to parallel evolution. We cannot breed with you, but we like our pleasures to be varied. We will not contact the government of your country because the story would be kept secret. We meet you instead so that it will be publicized".

The latter story would have been more intelligible than the actual Villas Boas story, but, alas, it looks like a clever hoax conceived by an anarchist. It just seems too deliberately plausible. No investigator would bother with it.

The story that Villas Boas told, by contrast, has many details that could not possibly have been invented with the idea of producing a credible picture. The very seeming absurdity and incredibility of the story has caused it to be published and discussed by experienced researchers. It has fully entered the public consciousness.

Superior aliens would be well aware of the twisted way in which our logic works in such cases. They would therefore present a charade, with the witness as an unsuspecting actor. They know the uselessness of trying to inject a straightforward and plausible story into the mind of the public via the witness.

The story of Antonio Villas Boas was full of animal symbolism. In it, intelligence had only a secondary place. The action was capturing, barking, sexual intercourse with grunts, and more barking. This is not the only case of faked speech of UFO occupants.

Failure to find resemblance to language in the barking was very probably because it was merely barking. The real language of the creatures could have been quite different. They had planned the whole thing in advance, and needed to discuss nothing during the action. They barked simply to give the scene its characteristic tone.

First, Villas Boas was probed on the evening of the mysterious light. Later, a closer look at him was taken the UFO dodged back and forth across the field. It should be added that this could have been for his protection. It has been reported often that immediately beneath a UFO there can be forces that are quite injurious.

Finally, he was chosen as a very suitable candidate for the action. We have no way of telling how many other candidates were examined in the meantime with the probing light. They could have been not in Brazil but elsewhere.

The blood taking can hardly have been real. It would be stupid to take any quantity of blood from a man before expecting him to function well in sexual intercourse. Blood samples could have been taken by the aliens long ago in the mists of prehistory. There could be no need for it now. His genetic patterns were already in

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sperm recoverable from the woman and were not needed from the blood. The means of drawing blood seems like either a fraud or superhuman technology. For all these reasons, the scene of the supposed blood of Villas Boas in flasks shaped like chalices' must have been a fraud. It must have been a stage property with symbolic significance.

The half filling of one chalice and the filling of the other with supposed blood seems to "we can drink half of your blood or all of it". This is like a subtle warning to us.

The woman pointed to the direction of the southern sky, or so it seemed. It so happens that the creatures were of the same size as those who were said to have taken Mr. and Mrs. Hill aboard a UFO in New Hampshire on 20th September 1961. The abductors of the Hills have since been thought to be from a planet circling one of the two stars which comprise the sixth brightest object in the southern constellation Reticulum. Elementary reading in the science of genetics and evolutionary biology will show how humans and aliens could not possibly interbreed. The alien genes would be different and differently arranged on the chromosomes. Even if the aliens looked like us, the incompa-

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The latest craze is being utilized by UFO groups not only for spotting and reporting UFO activity, but also for possible communication with occupants

THE UFO CB-SKYWATCHERS

For the past year or so, a new fad has hit the American scene... CB radios (Citizen Band). It was inevitable that some group would be formed, sooner or later, which would use this instrument in hope of making contact with the strange and unknown.

Eric Nachmann of upstate New York, came upon a formation of three UFOs while talking on his CB radio, and cruising on the New York State Thruway.

"It must have been about 3 pm when I spotted them, they were like flashing stars, only bigger, red, blue, and violet in color," he reported to a local UFO research group, "I just kept looking at them, they stood there hanging in the air, and then suddenly, they raced off at a fantastic speed towards the west."

Mr. Nackmann is a chemical engineer and is not the type of individual to fabricate this sort of yarn. But to back him up, the good

buddy he was talking to also saw the weird display in the sky. "We both saw it, but it seems that the darn thing was causing static, and it was hard to communicate with the other CBer." He further said that as the UFOs left, the static on the CBs stopped.

We've found that several CB groups do exist, and one of the most active is located in the hills of Missouri.

Trying to contact UFOs through the use of CBs is a very common practice in Pineville, Missouri, located near the Arkansas border. If a spacecraft or extraterrestrial ever decided to land and identify itself in the region surrounding Pineville, there is a welcoming committee waiting for them. The members of the committee go by the names of Firebug, Big Bunny, and Grass Grinder among other ominous handles.

The important aspect isn't their names, as uncommon as they are,

but the effect they have put into realizing, and coping with the existence of UFOs.

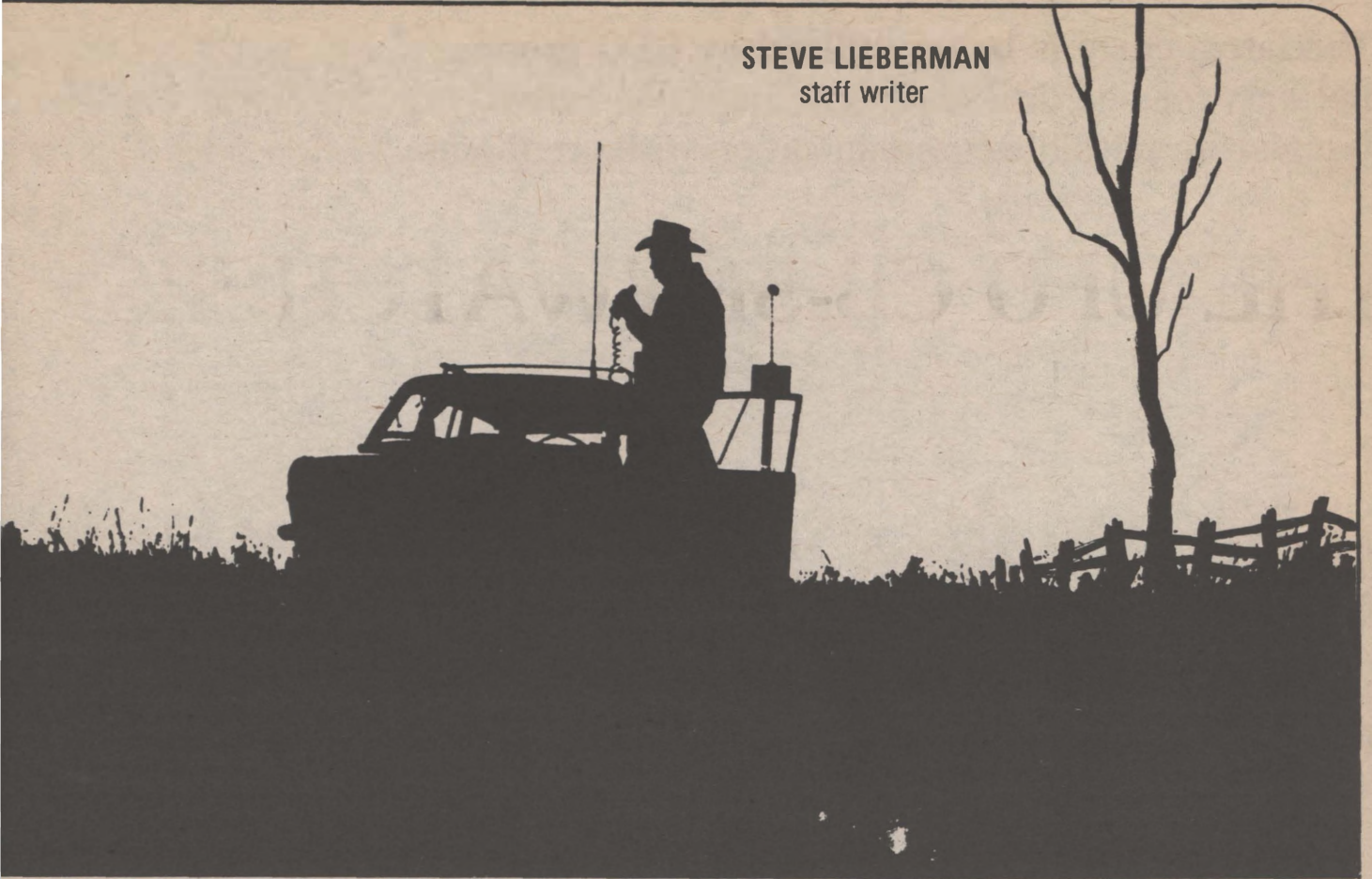
Realistically speaking, the technique is not a pure science. The CB radio channels can become jammed, and signals can be unclear. For instance, just as someone is reporting a sighting the channel can be interrupted by a passing trucker asking for a "copy" on the local "smokey".

But the CBers around Pineville are giving it the old college try regardless of the inefficiencies of the material they are working with. What caused these CBers to form a UFO posses, and to patrol the neighboring hills and valleys in search of extraterrestrials?

It seems that this area was hit with a UFO blitz several months back, and the CBers decided to form a group which would lead to possible communication with the UFOs.

Grass Grinder, the leader of the

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CB-UFO posse said, "In total, we may have close to one hundred cars up in the hills on some nights. What they are really trying to find out is if the flaps are hoaxes or real." Grinder also said that he has seen occurrences that he couldn't fully explain, and is not discounting the notion of them being UFOs. The CB posse has ruled out the possibility that anybody, or any persons, were manufacturing false UFO reports as a practical joke.

Grass Grinder said that on many occasions during his searching he has seen four orange and multicolored lights moving along through the sky. He described one UFO he had seen as being a bright orange light and pulsating.

Lawrence McCool is Grinders non-CB name, and is very familiar with the surrounding area. One night a woman standing by a car pointed out some lights that had

not been there the night before. "That's easy," McCool said, with a slight grin, "that's a baseball field there, and their having a game tonight." Again with his experienced eyes he dismissed a moving light in the distance as that of an airplane.

In a town that is admittedly slap-happy from UFO sightings, McCool and his CB posse are under control of their emotions and do not jump everytime a light is spotted in the sky. The residents of Pineville are now getting a little nervous from all the reports of UFOs, and even of UFO landings. Calls are coming in from all over the country seeking information. UFO organizations have also called asking about the sightings which have been reported and recorded.

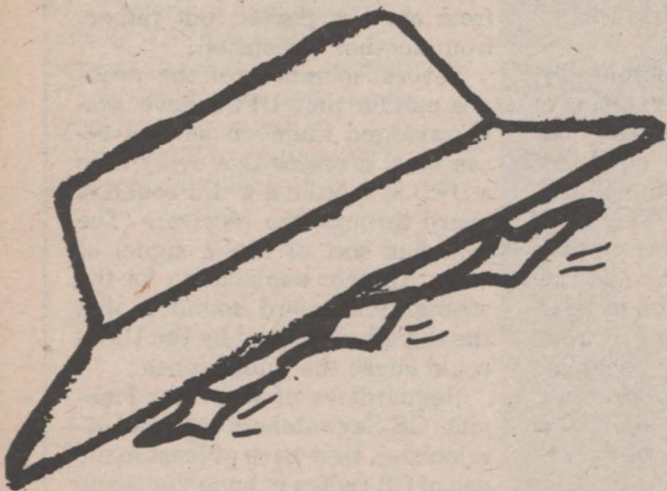
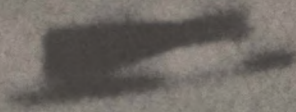
Pineville is a hilly and rural community which is the right qualities attractive to UFO activities. Dr. Hynek who has taken an

interest, said; "there is something clandestine in the activity of UFOs, one would conclude that UFOs operate in the country areas rather than in the big cities". Hynek believes that UFOs aren't from another planet, but rather, from another dimension.

Several members of the posse are certain that UFOs have acknowledged them on several occasions. It seems that every time a UFO is spotted a weird sound is heard through the receivers. The sound is sort of like a signal or code. Another explanation for the strange and weird sound is that the radiation emitted by the UFOs could cause the interference.

Regardless of what the Pineville CB-Skywatchers may be overlooking, they have at least made use of CB radios in hope that some type of contact could be made.

One of the more detailed UFO encounters at Pineville is as follows: *continued on page 56*



Sketch by Warren Martin shows the craft that he and 4 friends reportedly saw. There were three diamond-shaped lights at the bottom of the UFO.



Muhammed Ali

This sketch of a similar UFO was made by Muhammed Ali back in 1972. His sighting was reported several years ago in Beyond Reality magazine.

“WE’RE SEEING UFOs”

What’s it like to see a UFO up close? Would you run away? Would you be willing to tell anyone of your experience? Most of us go about our daily business without giving it any thought—not until they read about such UFO encounters as occurred to Warren Martin and four of his friends.

Martin had no interest in UFOs, nor did he ever expect to see one. Martin and his friends were driving through the suburbs of Canton, Massachusetts, when it all started.

It was raining for the past few hours, and somehow the rear tires of their car had gotten stuck in the mud only a few feet away from the railroad tracks which passed through this area. Warren and his friends worked hard to release the tires from the mud for fear that a passing train would demolish the car. They complained loudly as they worked to free the car from the situation it was in.

It was about 9 pm on this cold and wet night, when a sound from above caught their attention. “I thought it was a plane at first,” said Martin. “Then I noticed that the colors of the lights were wrong because I know that an airplane couldn’t stand up to the way the strange object moved. The stress on the wings would probably have snapped them off.”

One of the men who would not give his name for fear of being ridiculed remarked: Wow! we’re seeing flying saucers.” Martin further stated; “We were really kind of paranoid about it.” Martin who is 20-years-of-age said that the group was amazed as well as frightened as the UFO swooped to within two or three hundred yards from where their car was stuck. Martin recalled one of his friends shouted: “Turn it off, turn off the dome light.” It seems that the dome light inside their car was on, and they were afraid it might

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President Carter's UFO sighting was first reported in Beyond Reality magazine back in 1972. Mr. Carter has been helpful in getting NASA to release information to this publication. We feel that in the near future, President Carter will be instrumental in getting more information to the public.

Hayden C. Hews who was head of International UFO Bureau back in 1972, sent us a complete report which [then] Governor Carter gave his organization.



attract the attention of the UFO.

Martin was the only one of the five boys who consented to be interviewed or identified. In describing the UFO, he said "it was shaped kind of like a hat, with three diamond shaped lights at the bottom which flashed occasionally in sequence." The five agreed that the UFO flashed purple, orange, red, and blue lights. They also agreed that it was impossible for a plane to go through these types of maneuvers which included right angle turns at tremendous speeds. Martin also said the strange object performed aerial games, some dipping and some swerving.

The boys declared that the object was enough to scare the hell out of anyone, and they wanted to leave, but couldn't cause the car was still stuck in the mud. One of the boys shouted: "I'm getting out of here," but the rest managed to control his fears and calmed him down. The weather was bad, so they decided to just sit in the car and watch this strange object in the night sky.

"We watched for about ten minutes, and then it suddenly was gone. As soon as it was gone, we heard a train approaching, and lucky for us it was on the second set of tracks; otherwise the car would have been struck. But as the train passed and sped away in the distance, we looked up and saw that the UFO was back again!"

It hovered there for about 10 minutes before it left in a burst of speed. After freeing the car, the group left to report what they had seen to the local police. Martin was told to contact the Air Force, who explained to him that the Air Force was no long chasing UFOs since closing "Project Blue Book." S.G. Payne, Public Affairs Officer for the FAA (Federal Aviation Administration). On contacting the FAA, they were told by Mr.

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UFOs OVER CENTRAL AMERICA

BY GARY PARSON

It seems that our South America neighbors are getting more than their share of UFOs. The following report was made by a pilot who along, with members of his crew and passengers, spotted a cigar shaped UFO—not once—but several times.

The first sighting occurred on the night of January 21, 1977 during a flight from Bogota to Pereira. Capt. Gustavo Ferreira, a veteran pilot of 22 years, was not quite sure what he saw was not a figment of his imagination. But as it approached his plane, the strange object shot past him at a fantastic rate of speed. Amazed was not the word to describe his feelings when he saw that the object was twice as large as his plane, and had glowing multi-colored lights.

"The UFO moved back and forth at such a tremendous rate of speed, it was incredible," said Captain Ferreira, "I turned my landing lights on and off, and was shocked when the UFO responded to my signals." The UFO changed from green to red to yellow, and back to green." It's rare that anyone could communicate with a UFO in flight. The captain was not the only person aboard the 747 to see the remarkable flying object. Senora Libia Miller de Pardo and her sister, who were passengers, watched the UFO as it followed the plane. Jamime Torres, the radio supervisor, said: "What we have seen is concrete proof of a UFO on radar which was absolutely confirmed by the pilot and others aboard the plane."

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The second time Ferreira saw the strange aerial phenomena was on a flight from Pereira to Bogota. It was on the night of March 3rd, 1977, at about 22,000 feet. The captain was checking his instruments when suddenly there it was again. "I couldn't believe my eyes—I changed our course to circle the glowing UFO which was bigger than our plane, and had the shape of a cigar. It was yellow in color. I turned my landing lights on and off...the UFO's response was similar to that of our first encounter."

Others aboard the plane confirmed the sighting, and if this wasn't enough, Air Traffic controller Pablo Roza verified the sighting as he viewed the airports radar screen, "The UFO increas-

ed it's speed to over 10 times the speed of the plane," he reported.

The UFOs in both these cases were described as cigar shaped, and didn't fit the usual saucer shape, which is the common UFO description. Cigar shaped UFOs have been reported as "mother" ships, from which the smaller saucer types have been seen coming and going from. The mother ships have been at times, described as being as large as a football field.

Captain Ferreira felt that he had seen enough UFOs to last him a lifetime, after all, he saw them not once—but twice—and both times had a very close view. The report was released to the news media, who gave it the usual back page treatment.

On March 10, 1977, Captain Ferreira was at the controls of his plane when suddenly, the stewardess Sarah Palacio burst into the cockpit to report a strange "bright object" which was flying along side the plane. The Captain noted that "it flew ahead of us all the way, moving from left to right—as if it knew our destination." Then, as suddenly as it appeared, the object disappeared over San Andres at a fantastic rate of speed.

According to witnesses that included the Co-pilot German Rincon, it was made of bright metal, was round, and had a weird glow surrounding it. As in many such cases, these people were once skeptics concerning UFOs, now they are convinced that what they saw was not of this world. □

Special Report on:

CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND



Hollywood has taken the wraps off one of the most closely-guarded films ever produced. It was conceived, written and directed by, Steven Spielberg, the man who scared swimmers with *Jaws*, a movie about the great white shark. This new film is a skillfull blend of fact, and fiction, carefully researched and artfully made.

The name of the movie is *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, is Columbia Pictures multi-million dollar UFO blockbuster that has some of ufology's big brains chewing their fingernails in nervous anticipation.

The impact of Spielberg's shark scared beach goers, and surfers so much that any unusual sight in the ocean waters was transformed by fear-filled eyes into a killer shark.

Will *Close Encounter of the Third Kind* have the same effect

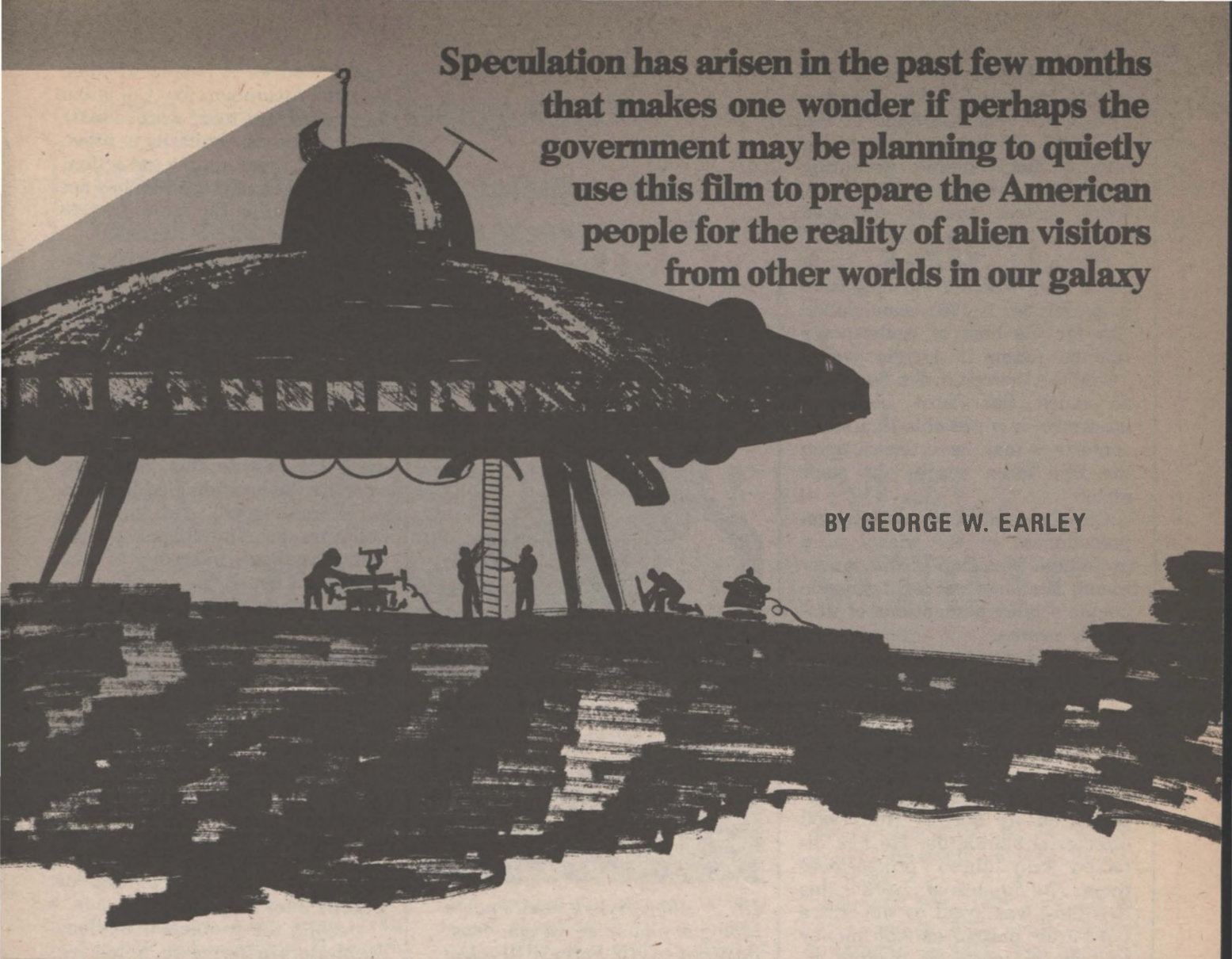
on millions of movie viewers over the next six months or so? Are we in for a saucer sighting flap of unprecedented proportions which will be brought on by many overly imaginative film fans everytime an errant light flirts across the night sky? Will stories of alien encounters, and descriptions of the aliens themselves, closely resemble the admittedly fictional events that happen to Richard Dreyfuss, and other members of the cast?

Right now we don't know, but it is possible and *Beyond Reality* wants you, as concerned and responsible readers of UFO reports, to be aware of this possibility. After all, certians skeptics are discounting the Travis Walton UFO abduction case on grounds that Walton dreamed up the story after after seeing the dramatiza-

tion of the Betty and Barney Hill abduction on television.

A top UFO authority, Dr. Richard Haines, has stated that Columbia's new UFO movie is a distortion of the truth. Haines is a trained research scientist and an advisor to the prestigious National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena (NICAP).

Writing in the August 1977 issue of *NICAP's UFO Investigator* newsletter, Haines expressed "a great concern for a coming event that may possibly contaminate our efforts to obtain as much unbiased sighting data as possible." The event Haines refers to is "the planned public release of a movie entitled *Close Encounters of The Third Kind*. He warns that investigators "must be prepared for the possible influence of this movie upon the American public



Speculation has arisen in the past few months that makes one wonder if perhaps the government may be planning to quietly use this film to prepare the American people for the reality of alien visitors from other worlds in our galaxy

BY GEORGE W. EARLEY

and their (later) reporting of UFO experiences." In order that investigators may be able to compensate for the influence of the movie, Haines urges UFO investigators, to persuade theater managers to give them attendance figures and the dates the film was shown in their area." This will give investigators an idea of how many people the movie may have contaminated.

He then urges UFO investigators to "see this movie to become as familiar with its details as possible because such familiarity will make your subsequent eyewitness interviews more sensitively aware of similarities and differences between a reported UFO encounter and the movie." And while he suggests the investigator query the witness by asking, "What can you think of that is anything like

the close encounter you have just had?" He cautions investigators not to mention the name of the movie, or discuss its contents until the interview is nearly over. Then, he says, you could ask the witness "Have you seen the movie *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*?" Such precautions, he feels, will aid investigators to determine if witnesses have been influenced by the movie, or have actually spotted a UFO.

At the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Illinois, founded and headed by Dr. J. Allen Hynek, a former scientific consultant to the Air Force's Project Blue Book UFO investigatory program, there are similar concerns about the effect that this new UFO movie release could have on people seeing UFOs. A spokesman for the UFO Center told me that, at the

suggestion of Dr. Hynek, the Sociology Department of Northwestern University is planning some sort of a sociological study of the viewers reactions to the film. Exact procedures to be followed by the Sociology Department in its study are not being made public since advance disclosure could bias the result of the study.

Dr. Hynek, who served as an advisor on the film, could not be reached for comment on whether or not he feels the film will be 'good' or 'bad' for the purpose of informing the public for the need of scientific study of UFOs.

Some support for Haines's concern over 'contamination' of witness reports as a result of seeing *Close Encounters* can be found in Dr. David M. Jacobs scholarly book *The UFO Controversy in America*. Jacobs, currently a pro-

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fessor of history at Temple University, included in his history a look at the various films of the early 50's which were built around a flying saucer theme. According to Jacobs "the first films with flying saucer themes predated contactee literature by two years."

Of the film, *The Day the Earth Stood Still*, which *Time* magazine in its October 1, 1951 issue, called "by far the best of Hollywood's science fiction", Jacobs wrote; "That the themes in the film were so much like later contactee literature, it is possible that some contactees may have drawn upon the film as a source for their ideas."

Clearly then, there is historical precedence, in the views of a prominent historian of the saucer scene, that movies can influence people's later perceptions of ufological events.

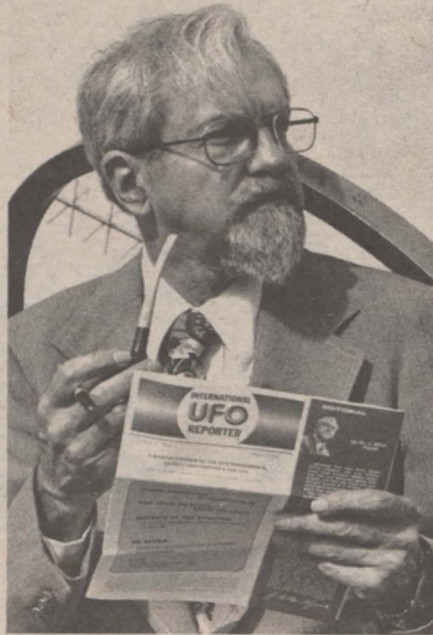
Why has this film aroused such concern among some of the country's top UFO researchers? Before going into that, a brief look at Steven Spielberg might be in order.

Spielberg, 29, is relatively inexperienced by normal Hollywood directorial standards. He has directed only three professional films. *The Sugarland Express*, his first film, was loved by the critics but barely earned enough money to pay the costs of making it.

Jaws, his second film, an unquestioned financial success is the reason the youthful Spielberg was able to sell Columbia Pictures on spending \$14 million to film his screenplay *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*.

Locations of the production has been closely guarded, as have been the details of the plot itself. In an interview earlier this year, New York Times writer Judy Klemesrud said, that Spielberg talked cautiously about the film. Of the secrecy, he said "I have 350 special effects in the film that have never been done before" and he admits to being "afraid someone would try to get a film out like it before mine gets out."

That fear may have been justifiable, a saucer flick called *Alien Encounters*, starring Ray Millian with Robert Vaughn and Cris-



Dr. J. Allen Hynek, well known ufologist and scientist who was involved in Air Force's "Project Blue Book". Dr. Hynek served as technical advisor and consultant on "Close Encounters of the Third Kind." He is referred to as today's premiere authority on the subject of UFOs.

topher Lee as a couple of alien beings. Attorneys for Columbia Pictures, I am told, were clearly upset about the similarity in titles, and were threatening legal action, which may be why the film has not yet been seen in the movie houses of the nation.

The plot, Spielberg told Ms. Klemesrud, is a very simple one, "about one man's refusal to be told what not to believe..." The film, he went on to say, "is critical of certain methods the Air Force has used in the past in briefing the country about UFOs, and critical of all the debunking that goes on." But despite this, Spielberg says that he has depicted both the Air Force people and the UFO believers as "intelligent people with the best interests of the country at heart."

The cast includes Richard Dreyfuss, a man who has become so obsessed after seeing a UFO, that he loses his job, the respect of his community, and causes his wife and family to walk out on him because he refuses to give up his quest for answers to the UFO mystery. French actor Francois Traffaut plays Dr. Lacombe, a character reportedly modeled after French space scientist Prof. Claude Pohrer, who is one of Europe's leading ufologists.

Despite the problems Dreyfuss encounters in the movie, Spielberg says the ending of the film is "very, very positive, and full of hope" and he is quick to note that, "It's strictly an entertainment film. I'm not out to educate the country or enlighten people, or make them reason any differently. But I would like them to look up in the sky a little differently, and with a little more curiosity, and with an open mind", he told Ms. Klemesrud.

But even though Spielberg calls his film "entertainment", and he says the plot is fiction (though admittedly based on UFO reports he has read), certain speculations have arisen in the past few months that makes one wonder if perhaps the government may be planning to quietly use *Close Encounters of the Third Kind* to prepare the American people, and hence the rest of the world, about the reality of aliens visitors from

other planets. Consider this background.

NICAP's former director, UFO researcher-writer Donald E. Keyhoe, as well as other prominent ufologists, have long maintained that there have been two factions with the U.S. Air Force, with opposing viewpoints about UFOs. One group, says Keyhoe, has been the 'Secrecy' group, concerned with suppressing information on UFO visitations to this planet, and ridiculing those who claim UFO sightings. The secrecy group, it has been alleged, justifies its actions as being in the best interests of the country by pointing to the panic that ensued among millions of listeners who believed that the Orson Welles radio play *The War of the Worlds* was a broadcast of an actual invasion of the United States by hostile monsters from Mars.

According to Keyhoe, the other group he says exists within the Air Force and feels that the American public is mature enough to accept the fact that we are not alone in the universe. And that earth is, being visited by alien beings who fly in what we call UFOs. In recent years, Keyhoe has felt that the battle within the government between these two groups was approaching a climax and that the 'Truth' group would win.

For many ufologists, this possibility was dramatically improved when Jimmy Carter was elected President last year. While campaigning, Carter had promised that he would, as president, release all the information the government had on UFOs. While Governor of Georgia, Carter had made a UFO sighting himself, an experience that seemed to leave him favorably disposed towards others who had similar experiences.

Then, on April 18, 1977, with ufologists still waiting for Carter to release the UFO data, he had promised during the campaign, the following item appeared in the "Washington Whispers" column of the *U.S. News and World Reports*. It read: "Before the year is out, the Government, perhaps the President—is expected to make what are described as unsettling disclosures about UFOs—uni-



One of the few photos released to us. It shows air traffic controllers around a radar screen tracking an unidentified flying object. Since this issue was prepared in November, "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" could now be playing in movie houses around the country.

identified flying objects. Such revelations, based on information from the CIA, would be a reversal of official policy that in the past has downgraded UFO incidents."

"Washington Whispers" is a column used to report rumors and leaks, and which, some sources say, is used by the Government to try out on the public, ideas which they do not want to officially release.

Attempts by various ufologists to get more information from U.S. News have been fruitless, but in June another rumor, this one tied to both Carter's interest in UFOs and to Spielberg's new movie, came to the public ear.

During the International UFO Congress, held in Chicago, it was reported that a prominent ufologist, who had been in Washington D.C. a few days earlier, had seen film canisters marked "CE-III" being trundled through a gate and into the White House.

As this is written, it has proved impossible to get a response from the White House to questions that have attempted to verify or disprove this report. The ufologist, who must remain unnamed, is a man of sound reputation and certainly has nothing to gain by making a false report. In view of the fact that Spielberg, at the time of his interview by Ms. Klemesrud, was said to be editing *Close Encounters* into its final form, it is not beyond the realm of possibility that Carter, could have requested the privilege of an advance showing.

The tell-the-public-the-truth-about-UFOs faction in the government as predicted by Keyhoe has won the battle. All that remains now is to present it in the least unsettling matter. Therefore, a President who freely admitted he has seen a flying saucer obviously can't be called a liar or a psychotic by UFO debunkers, the "UFO Truth Squad" looked for ways to dispel 30 years of news media jokes, and government lies about UFOs and their sighters.

The Washington Whispers article put the worldwide news media on the alert that a major shift in U.S. policy towards UFO reports was to be considered.

The Spielberg movie, known to

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If reports from several of the nations leading nuclear laboratories are correct, engines, utilizing nuclear energy, are being developed which are capable of moving our planet out of the solar system

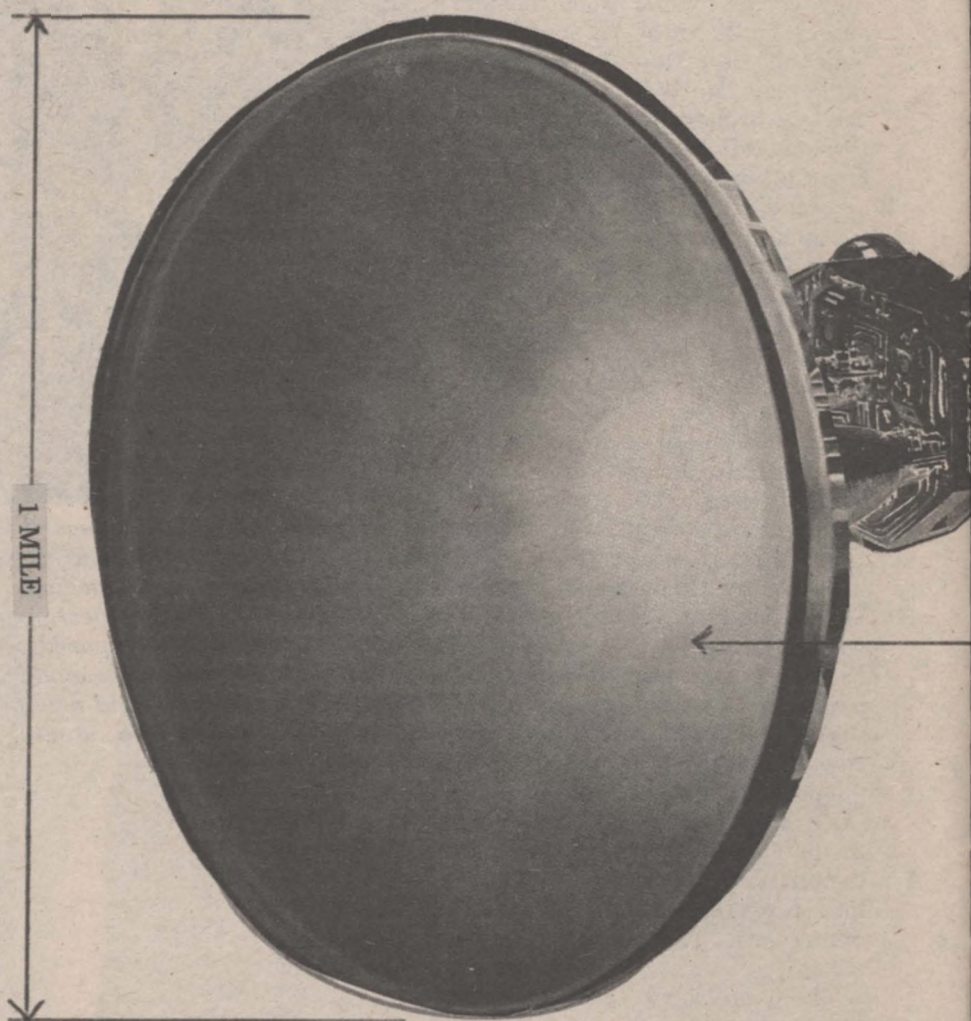
INTRODUCTION

America could have built a giant star ship during the 1960's but this project was officially cancelled due to the 1963 Nuclear Test Ban Treaty. The following article from "Space Flight", the official journal of the British Interplanetary Society, describes "Project Orion". This project was conceived by American scientists, and it explains how to use small atomic explosions to power 2000 ton spaceships through the solar system.

Before "Project Orion" was cancelled the scientists at Los Alamos Nuclear Laboratories were working on "Project Super Orion" (PSO), a plan to build a giant starship one mile in diameter. This ship would have been powerized by a million H-bombs and it could have sent the entire population of Chicago to the stars.

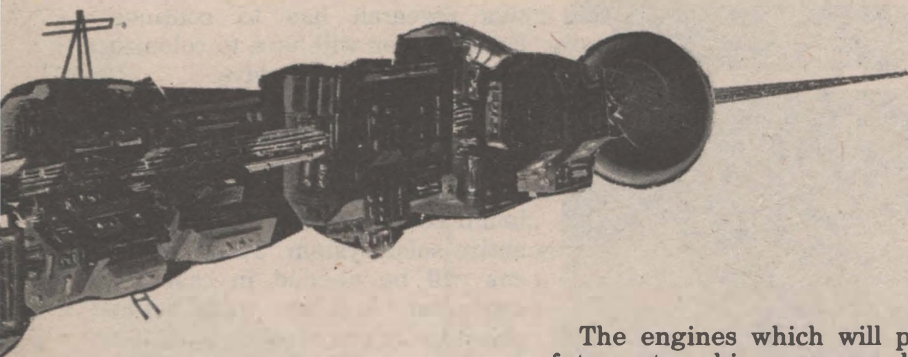
The technology to build such a ship has existed since 1952, the year the first H-bomb was tested. Since the technology to build such a giant star ship has existed for over 25 years, it is possible that the U.S. and the Soviet Union have already secretly built these ships. Some of the huge UFOs spotted could be the results of our own technology. Many of these large UFOs that have been sighted are several miles long, and are powered by nuclear explosions. With its tremendous wealth and technological capabilities, the United States alone, could have built several hundred of these super star ships during the past 25 years.

Even more frightening is that these ships could be competing with Soviet star ships for the race for space colonies.



THE REALITY OF STAR WARS

A NUCLEAR SPACE SHIP



ATOMIC EXPLOSIONS FOR
FORWARD THRUST

In the not too distant future, these giant Star Ships will be traveling throughout the galaxy.

Atomic explosions which will take place at the rate of every three or four minutes will give the space craft enough forward thrust to enable it to travel almost at the speed of light. These ships will not be small, but giant Star Ships 4 or five miles long. It will be like sending a small city to outer space with complete facilities for long and extended voyages.

The engines which will power future star ships are now being designed and built in two nuclear research institutions in the United States: The Los Alamos Nuclear Laboratories in Mexico and the Brookhaven National Laboratory in Long Island, New York. These laboratories are working on fusion and anti-matter nuclear engines at the present time. Once these engines are perfected in the next decade, space travel to the stars will become a reality and mass colonization of the galaxy could begin.

The Los Alamos complex has been designing giant nuclear rockets since the early 1940's. Twenty large nuclear rockets were built there in the 1960's and 1970's under the N.E.R.V.A. program, but all work was cancelled in 1973 due to budget considerations. The N.E.R.V.A. nuclear rockets, however, were actually obsolete the day they were tested because they were based on

primitive fission nuclear reactions. Fission, which is the basis of the atomic bomb, requires the burning of large amounts of plutonium and uranium in order to maintain the reaction. Although this system is hundreds of times more powerful than the most efficient chemical rocket, the fusion and anti-matter engines are thousands of times more powerful than the fission ones. Since one pound of anti-matter is equivalent to 100,000,000 tons of TNT, it will be possible to send an anti-matter propelled star ship weighing hundreds of millions of tons across the galaxy in a very short period of time.

According to the 1974 edition of the *Encyclopedia Britannica*, Brookhaven National Laboratory is now producing anti-matter in limited amounts. However, the scientists, in this laboratory are also looking for sources of energy more powerful than fission and anti-matter. Gigantic particle accelerators are

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This is an aerial view of Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory where scientists have been researching atomic engines for the star fleet of the future.

constantly in operation and the scientists keep creating new particles which can be used to propel the star ships of the future. These experiments could have their dangers, however, because it is possible that one day a particle could be created in these giant machines and a fraction of a second later the earth will turn to dust. In spite of these dangers, this research has to continue because man will have to colonize space in order to survive.

These new forms of energy now being discovered in these laboratories will also be used in weapon systems. An anti-matter nuclear bomb could probably destroy an entire solar system. These weapons will be needed in case we encounter hostiles who might object to our colonization plans for the galaxy. Of course the aliens will fight back and stars wars will take place all over the galaxy.

Other uses for these forms of energy in space colonization could be the ignition of dead suns in order to make old solar systems habitable again. It will also be possible to move planets such as Pluto out of their orbits and bring them closer to the sun so they could be populated. If energies more powerful than anti-matter are discovered, it may be possible to move entire solar systems around the galaxy. Indeed, the work being performed in these two nuclear laboratories will make every science fiction book written in the past hundred years a reality in our time. □

These scientists are trying to perfect fusion power, the energy of the hydrogen bomb. Fusion energy will be used to power star ships. This laboratory is the Brookhaven National.



DID UFOs STOP THE FIGHTING?

Several Israeli soldiers from a kibbutz in the Negev recently related a strange story that had happened to them during the 1973 war. They refused to give their names for security reasons.

The tank commander, we will call him Uri, thought his day had come. It was the 2nd day of the war and he was stranded somewhere in the Siani Peninsula with a disabled tank. His assistant was wounded, and his gunner had lost the sight of one eye.

"The Egyptian troops were closing in for the kill, and all I could think of was my wife and small daughter Matilda". Uri went on, "Then, as the Egyptians came closer, no more than 200 yards, maybe three or four hundred with 4 tanks, they suddenly turned and ran! Even the men in the tanks hopped out and scrambled east over the sand dunes." I could not understand what caused them to panic since I was there alone with my tank disabled, and my two comrades wounded."

"It was then that I received the shock of my life. What I at first thought to be two of our planes... turned out to be—and you won't believe this...two bright silvery objects moving slowly in the sky. I suddenly got the feeling that they were here to help me—that they—Whoever they were—were telling me that I was safe and not to worry. The objects came closer

**UFOs are the
subject of much
discussion and
debate around the
globe, but to an
Israeli soldier
fighting the
Egyptians, it meant
that the Lord is
keeping His
promise to the seed
of Father Abraham.**

BY STANLEY MYERSON

and I could make out that they were very large, and roundish with several colored lights in the center. Then, as suddenly as they appeared, they sped away to the east. I have not been a very religious man in the past, but, after that day in the Siani, I have returned to the Torah and to God."

This interview was reported by a European writer who is writing a book on the Israel-Arab conflict.

Egyptian prisoners who were later questioned as to why they had dropped their weapons and fled gave an equally remarkable story. They claim that they fled because they saw thousands of Israeli soldiers and hundreds of armored cars, half-tracks and tanks charging towards them. "It would have meant complete annihilation had we tried to fight the Jews," replied one of the prisoners. "They just appeared out of nowhere" volunteered a second prisoner to the Israeli translator.

An Israeli officer said that they quite often receive strange reports while fighting in the Siani. "You must remember, the sun has been known to cause many men to have strange illusions, especially in the desert" he concluded.

We've all heard of mirages which are caused by the sun's reflection on the hot sand, but, in this case, too many people saw, and heard the same thing. Was it a case of a higher intelligence trying to say something? □

BEWARE OF THOSE WHO ARE TRYING TO CONFUSE US!

THE TWISTIANS

The closing of Air Force Project Blue Book was the proverbial straw that broke the camel's back. Coupling this with the Condon Report, and the total lack of publicized UFO sightings since 1968, the effect on popular interest on the subject was powerfully negative. NICAP, claiming over 12,000 members during 1967 was steadily losing members to the point where in 1971 the number dwindled to a fractional 4,000. APRO fared only slightly better, going from 4,000 in 1967 to a total of 2,000 in 1971. This lose of membership, and the resulting lose in dues concentrated another serious problem to the civilian UFO research organizations.

NICAP's chronic financial problems reached their peak in 1969, while APRO's monetary funding reached its lowest point the year before. UFO groups were forced to momentarily shift their focus away from the problem of UFO investigation, and direct their efforts to the age old game of survival. The group leaders began to re-direct their efforts. No longer crying out for scientific investigations—the new theory among UFO researchers was that open-minded scientists would now have to study selected aspects of

the UFO mystery and come to independent conclusions.

Newspaper and magazine publicity on UFOs ceased, with the exception of a few lingering articles praising the virtue of the Condon Study or the closing of Project Blue Book. Nearly every popular magazine dealing exclusively with UFOs stopped publication for lack of readership. It also seems that someone passed the word along to the New York book publishers that the subject of UFOs was "old stuff."

The year 1972 was calm. With the national UFO organizations trying to regroup the membership that they had lost, the lack of widespread sightings seriously hindered their efforts. UFO reports had increased somewhat, but not enough to gain any publicity. As 1972 drew to a close, many people, including scientists and news reporters, believed that flying saucers "crazes" were a quaint and nostalgic part of the popular culture of a bygone era.

THE SWITCH BEGINS

Almost as if the entire affair had been orchestrated, a drastic change had occurred in the murky, confusing realm of the New York book publishers. Overnight, in

early 1968, when the very scientific credibility of the Condon Committee was being seriously questioned by the upper hierarchy of the pro-extraterrestrial proponents, books on the occult, ESP, demonic possession, witchcraft, and the like, began to flood the market.

From the June 1968 issue of *Fate* magazine, David Techter, book review editor wrote:

"Beyond a doubt, the surest indication of the changing climate of opinion with regard to psychic matters is the availability (always determined by the saleability) of numerous paperbacks in the field. Whereas a few scant years ago a single paperback title in psychic research was so exciting I urged *Fate* readers to buy a copy just to encourage the publication of more. Today, it is not unusual to see 15 to 20 such paperbacks on display at newsstands."

This surge had nothing to do with the scientific establishments' acceptance of psi-related data. Even more so than UFOs, academic pressures remained totally hostile to the subject.

Seeming to follow this unique switchover, Jacques Vallee, in his third book on UFOs, *Passport to Magonia*, 1969, recanted every-

Just as religion rest primarily on the study of certain teachings, "Twistianity" fills a similar gap with individuals who follow the teachings of Twistians, who, for various motives, twist and disort the UFO enigma

BY ROBERT A. GOERMAN
Omegus Commission

thing he had postulated in his earlier scientific works. The interplanetary theory was no longer tenable, and the answer now seemed to lie within a "paraphysical" framework. This modern belief in UFOs and their occupants was identical to an earlier belief in fairies and goblins.

The following year, John A. Keel, a pro writer who belatedly turned his efforts to solving the UFO enigma, published his landmark epic, *UFOS: Operation Trojan Horse*. The result was a bizarre combination of factual UFO sightings, contactee, eerie occult practices, mysticism and psychic phenomena. Conclusion: UFOs are merely little globs of intelligent energy that amuse themselves by befuddling, and bedevilling us earthlings by assuming any form they wish. Motive: for the hell of it, what else?

1971 brought us another phenomenon with the introduction of Erich von Daniken's *Chariots of The Gods?*

In 1972, J. Allen Hynek's, *The UFO Experience*, suffered not only from the total lack of public interest in Martians at the time, but also because Von Daniken's second best-seller, *Gods From Outer Space*, had reached the

market and was setting off a furor of interest in the possibility of beings visiting earth in our pre-historic past.

It's all history now. In 1973, thousands of civilians, police, pilots, and military personnel from Maine to California witnessed wave upon wave of mysterious flying objects. Close encounters, e-m effects, landings with trace residue, occupant sightings, and contact were the order of the day. Also present was the CUTE factor. Fortunately, news coverage of the invasion was brisk, and for the most part, since 1947, fair and objective. One thing was missing—the relentless battles between the Air Force and the hordes of UFO researchers.

Not so good, however, was the continued literary diversional tactics. The only two outstanding books, Keyhoe's *Aliens From Space*, and *UFOS: A Scientific Debate*, by Carl Sagan and Thornton Page (remember him from the CIA panel in 1953?), were overshadowed by still another von Daniken blast, *Gold of the Gods*, and the dozen of imitators that appeared. As if this was not enough, a brand-new craze, the Bermuda Triangle/UFO relationship, reached its peak with the

release of *Limbo of the Lost*, by John Wallace Spencer. Another score of imitators followed, public interest would be held spell-bound until mid-1977. Almost too subtle, a ringer was thrown in; R.L. Dione's, *God Drives a Flying Saucer*. In this work, Dione suggested that God was a "Super-technological, rather than a super natural being." This religious angle, far from being entirely new, was for the most part ignored by most researchers. It was a big mistake.

Following the 1973 invasion, 1974 marked the beginning of a new flare-up of public interest, and virgin UFO study groups popped up like toadstools from coast to coast. Novices to this field, not at all familiar with its long history of bizarre twists, and turns, turned to books and magazines to learn what the "experts" already knew. 1974 was primarily a bad year for UFO literature with the exception of *Beyond Earth: Man's Contact With UFOs*, by Ralph and Judy Blum. The works of George Adamski and Howard Menger, two prominent contactees of the 1950s, were re-done in flashy new colors, and re-titled, before they were set loose on the
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innocent public. Even *The New UFO Sightings*, by David Graham and Glenn McWane was heavily spiced with the lore of contactees, psychic forces, and talk of other dimensions.

THE NEW UFOLOGY

Those ufologists who believed that the idea of UFO's being nuts and bolts spacecraft from other worlds scoffed at the first attempts to unveil the parapsychical possibilities inherent in the UFO puzzle. Surely, they thought, the general public and even novices in this field, would be able to recognize this farce for what *it really was*. Why, it was simply another tactic to discredit the entire field. Back in the 1950's, when a few organizations were struggling to make the study of UFOs a field respectable for scientific study, the contactees appeared on the scene and made so much noise with their ultra-fantastic journeys, and passionate love with beautiful Venusians that members of the scientific community recoiled in fear of ridicule and disgust.

Now, in the 70's, just when a dozen or so brave scientists are willing to take a peek under the rug, up pops all this occult related UFO nonsense. The technicians, and engineers take cover faster than you can say, "Your a disgrace to your profession!"

One thing is certain, 1975 marked a definite turning point in the history of this uncanny field of endeavor. A snowball effect has taken place that, while not entirely irreversible, could possibly lead to false frames of belief in conjunction with what is presently occurring on Terra Firma. Now is the time for quiet contemplation of past, and present as it might relate to the future.

In 1975, *The Mothman Prophecies* and *The Eight Tower*, by John A. Keel, were so bleak and dismal that it was a real struggle to wade through them. The sum of both works lie in a single question? Is there a single intelligent force

behind all religious, occult, and UFO phenomena? Keel says yes, adding, we are all biological robots ruled by a cosmic force that exists beyond space and time. In *UFOs and Their Mission Impossible*, by Dr. Clifford Wilson, M.A., B.D., Ph.D, states without the shadow of a doubt, UFOs are the product of Lucifer and his fallen angels. This was accomplished in a manner that can only be described as cute. The way Wilson entwined Keyhoe, Hynek, Keel, and Gideon's Bible was sheer genius. In K.L. Seagraves, *Sons Of God Return*, Wilson's basic premise is taken one step further. Not only are ufonauts agents of Satan, so are UFO researchers! He tells us, "This is a strong warning to people living on this earth today—that the message of ufologists and the saucerians, a message which in reality is a message of the sons of God or angels, who have returned to this earth, is not to be heeded. We are not to believe their teachings or claims unless we are bent on our own destruction."

In *The Unidentified*, by Clark and Coleman, we are told that UFOs, and other types of paranormal phenomena are simply images from the collective unconscious. On page 202, in Jacques Vallee's *Invisible College*, we are instructed about "the next form of religion". In speaking of certain "silent contactees" Vallee wonders aloud in print on whether they are not the fore-runners of a new spiritual movement?"

Important Note; It is necessary for me to state for the record that I am not condemning theories regarding ancient astronauts, the Bermuda triangle, Extra Sensory Perception, or any religious connection to the UFO enigma. Rather, I am compiling an interesting volume of data that indicates that, not only can our beliefs be altered, but that it is happening now, subtly, and on a large scale. "Twistianity" refers to the practice of taking certain facts, theo-

ries, and notions and twisting them almost beyond recognition.

What makes these newly transformed beliefs dangerous is that they contain a surprisingly high amount of truth, and that, unless an individual spends an excessive length of time examining them, they can be accepted on an unconscious level as truthful statements.

On April 23 and 24, 1977, 20th Century UFO Bureau Director, Robert D. Barry, held a open UFO conference in Apollo, Pennsylvania consisting of three two-hour sessions. During this conference, Barry stated that he had been contacted by a member of the CIA and that his selection by the intelligence community occurred because of his reputation for truthfulness, and a good Christian gentleman. The CIA, it seems, has been on top of the UFO situation for quite some time. They had the answer to the UFO riddle, but their main problem rested in how to prepare the public. The answer to the UFO mystery is startling. It was discovered by the CIA backed scientists working in the utmost secrecy examining all the data and testing the ET theory (extraterrestrial) of origin. The answer was so unsettling, that is caused one of the scientists to burst into tears of joy. What we have taken, or mistaken, for spaceships, were in reality, manifestations of the work of the Almighty God.

Barry claimed the preparations are underway. The *U.S. News and World Report* pointed to this. Then came a shot from the left field. Barry held up a full-page ad that had appeared in the Easter Sunday edition of the *Pittsburgh Press*. (I had seen the ad.) It concerned a motion picture which was to be released near Christmas of 1977, a Columbia Pictures production which is entitled; *Close Encounter of the Third Kind*. That Easter Sunday full-page ad had appeared in newspapers of major cities throughout the country.

just as I was wondering why the unnatural method of advertising, Barry said there was good reason for this Easter release—and an even better reason for the Christmas debut.

Holidays, it seems, have a tranquillizing effect on the populace, and will therefore, take the sting out of the disclosures occurring in the film. Not to mention the possible release of data by our government.

We were then told that the time of signs in the sky and the end was upon. It is time to accept Christ as your personal Savior. Brother Barry than asked those in the audience who felt the need to come forward. It was a strange mixture; a semi-impressive collection of slides, references to our astronauts encounters with UFOs in space, and initially, all types of evidence pointing to outer space visitation. I was not at all surprised when he tried to relate Biblical events with today's UFO scene. After all, since the von Daniken craze, many writers realized that there is *Gold In The Gods!* But that our intelligence agencies, military strategists, and covert scientific commissions can arrive at this conclusion, behold it as the only answer—and *make distinct preparations to release it to the general public seems absolutely preposterous!*

It was without a doubt totally absurd. But then again, upon deep reflection, absurdity has ridden the back of this strange phenomenon since its creation within the public mind.

PHONE CALL No. 1

Publisher: We see this flying saucer thing as almost a semi-religious thing!"

Goerman: "Then what you are saying basically is that people are tired of those very tame lights-in-the-sky type phenomena?"

Publisher: "Its not that! The people that contact me do not want scientific data—they really want the kind of thing that the

Enquire has—the kind of belief that the *National Enquire* has in the subject. They are looking for...what they did in *Star Wars*. They (the readers) are looking for a religion—and I believe that they can accept, in a scientific reality, which they did in *Star Wars*, which they called the Force."

Goerman: "Yes...alright..."

Publisher: "You remember the Force in *Star Wars*?"

Goerman: "Yes!"

Publisher: "They are looking for...and these pe'ople...they become so dedicated to this religion of an intelligent being that is taking care of them. I won't close that out! I have no reason. I certainly believe in the Force...I personally believe in the Force!"

Goerman: "Well, you see I..."

Publisher: "I believe that there is a Force, and I'm sure that I could convince you that there is such a thing as the Force!"

I received this telephone call in late June of 1977. The gentleman on the other end of the line was the publisher of a nationally distributed UFO magazine based in New York City, and second only to *Saga's UFO Report*. Minutes before, I had completed a telephone communication in which I had taken his present, and most recent editor to task regarding rumors (charges) that certain stories or cases run between the covers were less than true, and for the most part, fabricated by the publisher himself in order to boost sales.

During the twenty minute conversation with this publisher, I was shocked that someone who had such a powerful influence over the thinking of the common citizen with regard to ufological matters, *was actively recruiting the "religious angle"*, and wanted no part of scientific data within the framework of his publication.

Out of curiosity, I inquired about the possibility of doing a feature. It was explained to me that all I had to do was find

someone that "you feel is sincere; just the way a priest of any religion or a rabbi, or what-have-you, is sincere about their experiences." No matter how incredible the incident, or how ridiculous, this gentleman will print it, based entirely on how much he believed in your sincerity.

Hogwash! I am sorry, but ask any judge, lawyer, or law enforcement authority, and they will tell you that there are thousands of people literally oozing with sugar-sweet sincerity constantly confessing to crimes they never committed! No, sincerity is not enough. It can serve as an added flavor regarding the investigation, and release of eye-witness reports, but, can never take the place of the full course, namely honest, and objective fact-finding of fully documented data.

About three weeks later, in early July, I received yet another important telephone communication—this time from a former editor of that same magazine that has pushed the religious angle. He had left the staff of this publication after learning that the publisher had a hand in permitting, or concocting false UFO tales.

Strange, he was not alone in this opinion. The individual who served the term immediately preceding his term also levelled the same charges. Later, attempts were made to discredit both of these former editors, but fortunately, both attempts met with failure.

Getting back to the task at hand, however, after discussing a certain UFO case in general, and the distinct probability that the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) was somehow interwoven with publications, and other media dealing with the UFO problems, this editor dropped a real bombshell. You know, one of those curious little absurdities.

It seemed that he recently found it necessary to be in the nation's capital for non-specified

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business reasons. Finishing his list of chores, he then decided to visit the White House as any other tourist might do. To his chagrin, today was one of those days when the White House was not open to tourists—supposedly for maintenance or some other reasons.

It was then that he noticed a package was being delivered to the occupants of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue; a twin pack of 35mm film canisters which were clearly marked—*Columbia pictures*, with code letters: *CE III*.

With a little running, and a lot of footwork, he was able to retrieve his camera and snap a couple of pictures which, with a little luck, and magnification, will bear out my story.

A film was being screened by someone in the White House, certainly not by the hired help, quite possibly by the President himself. I can only hope the CIA was invited. Perhaps they saw it before. Maybe they'll bring the popcorn, or, will Jimmy C. insist on peanuts. Crakerjack would make a nice compromise.

CE III was directed by the award-winning Steven Spielberg, and it is public knowledge that it was consulted by J. Allen Hynek, long time consultant for Project Bluebook. The film was shot in an abandoned hanger in Brookley Field, just outside of Mobile, Alabama. Top Security measures were taken to make absolutely sure no one other than crew, and actors were allowed on the set. The title comes from Hynek's special classification for certain UFO sightings. Information, not at this time verifiable in black and white, indicates that the CIA WAS ALSO INVOLVED. Could be that Robert D. Barry's main man is on the level—I hope not.

When the April 18th issue of *U.S. News and World Report* was released, the Washington Whispers column set off a furor among Ufologists with its sub-title an-

ouncement "Official Word Coming."

"Before the year is out, the government—perhaps the President—is expected to make what are described as 'unsettling disclosures' about UFOs. Such revelations, based on information from the CIA, would be a reversal of official policy that in the past has down-graded UFO incidents."

Consider now the testimony of Ted Zachary, a former U.S. intelligence operative:

"The Covert Action Staff (Disinformation and Propaganda) of the Operations Directorate has been utilized in the dissemination of false information in order to disguise the CIA's involvement in UFO research, and mislead the public concerning the nature and authenticity of the UFO enigma."

When independent investigator Jerome Clark tried to uncover anything regarding the report in *U.S. News & World Report* he learned that the CIA had suppressed an interesting case involving a high ranking officer, alleged telepathic communication, and an accompanying visual UFO sighting with radar confirmation. Clark writes: "I am told the government will release this story and *dismiss it as a religious experience!*"

Can you imagine...information from the CIA dismisses it as a religious experience, and a publisher who wants nothing to do with scientific data! What is happening is that many individuals are working to undermine interest in the scientific community, and at the same time, mislead the public concerning the nature of the UFO phenomena.

the Religious book stores are loaded with their own brand of UFO books, certainly not written by Keyhoe or Keel, which proclaim the ufonauts as angles of God, or denounce them as the Devil's shenanigans. Let us not underestimate the influence of such literature.

There is a concept that it is public opinion that stimulates the literary market and saleability of a specific subject. If public opinion and the level of desire dramatically increases in a particular subject (such as ancient space visitors or the religious/psychic angle) then those in power at the publishing level scout around, recruit, and purchase manuscripts concerning the popular culture of the time. The signals are released, and, if a writer intends to eat with any regularity, that writer must conform, more or less, to the present trends in the market. Can this trend be artificially created, and maintained?

In December of 1974, NBC-TV finally televised its long awaited special, *UFOs: Do You Believe?* in which narrator Jim Hartz concluded, "What it comes down to is a question of belief."

During my lectures and TV appearances I am constantly asked to justify my belief in flying saucers. In response, I simply, and emphatically state that I have never before believed in UFOs, do not now believe in UFOs and, more than likely, never will believe in UFOs in the foreseeable future. I used to believe in Santa Claus and the Tooth Fairy as a child, but as far as UFOs are concerned, belief has nothing to do with it. I am convinced!

When the skeptics place UFOs in the misty frame of belief, then a person has the right, as with religion, to simply choose to believe. However, a person could no more choose not to believe in flying saucers than they could choose not to believe in goats, trees, rocks or clouds. The stately art of believing, or wishing has absolutely nothing to do with it.

Pushing the religious angle will accomplish what all the skeptics have been screaming for three decades...i.e. that anyone who investigates or "believes" in fly-

ing saucers is a "religious nut." It will disgust and drive away the very people that are needed to resolve the questions. The practice of ridicule will screech to an all-time high. It will attract the kind of persons and type of publicity that we have been trying to drive out for nearly thirty years. The Government has absolutely no control whatever on the most delicate and important component in this entire mystery...the UFO reports. The CIA knew this back

in 1953. They have resorted to manipulation of frames of reference and belief. But there are yet other dangers.

The danger lies in the total belief that UFOs are simply psychic manifestations, demons, intelligent globs of energy or any other form of omnipotent entity. An intelligent group of beings, flesh and blood creatures, terrestrial or otherwise, might possess a superior technology intermixed with some knowledge of what we

in our ignorance have been taught to call "psychic forces." This technological combination of physical/psychical could appear as magic to us and this unknown group might exploit both our ignorance and our superstitious beliefs for reasons other than the benign and the obvious. Let us be more careful of our judgements and vernacular in the future.

So in ending, *beware the twistians*. Their numbers, not to mention their profits, are legion. □

From the news wires:

THE ORBITING "THING"

A tiny planet or *something else* has been discovered orbiting the solar system between the planets Saturn and Uranus.

If it is a planet, its the smallest one yet discovered. The discovery was made by Charles Kowal who is responsible for the discovery of two of Jupiter's moons. At this writing no decision has been made on whether or not the *thing* is a planet or something else.

"It's not an asteroid, a moon of another planet, or a comet," said Dennis Meredith, a spokman for California Institute of Technology. He also said, "The problem with calling it a planet is the fact that astronomers have never run across anything so small with all the characteristics of a planet".

Kowal discovered the orbiting object while scanning several photographs under a microscope. The photos which were taken on consecutive nights, showed that the object changed its position rapidly while the stars in the

**Scientists and
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orbiting out there...**

galaxy changed rapidly. The object is orbiting on the same plane as the rest of the planets in our solar system.

"Kowal is emphatic that he is not ready to call it a planet," Meredith said, "its up to the fraternity of scientists to decide. But if it is a planet, it will be the smallest in the solar system".

Several ufologists whom we've contacted for an opinion are very excited about the discovery. Because of its size, they feel that it could be a mother ship. Gary Parsons, a member of our staff, and a well known ufologist, feels that it should be investigated by the government. "The scientists, as well as the astronomers, are always playing things down, it could very well be intelligent aliens out there keeping a close watch on us," he said.

In the meantime, the object, whatever it is, is still there waiting for astronomers, and scientists, to make up their minds whether it is a planet, or ..what. □

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR/continued

lieve the same way the man in Montreal did. That is, he believes that only certain people have the awareness to do certain things, and the rest of us should be in awe of them and be content to sit back, read of their exploits, and seek their aid. My own exploration through "Soul Travel" have proven just the opposite.

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Beyond Reality is a magazine dedicated to revealing the truth and uncovering many our mysteries. Yet beyond the reach of mankind's telescopes, microscopes, legends, and the latest research data, beyond the doors of all our physical senses, the ability to know truth can truly be realized.

Walt Wrzesniewski
Uncasville, Conn.

Dear Editor:

It is unfortunate that, in a response to a reader who was seeking the address for the Spirit-

ual Frontiers Fellowship, you furnished the wrong address in the November issue.

The new address is, 10715 Winner Road, Independence, Missouri 64052.

Sincerely
Frank Tribbe
Penn Laird, Virginia

Thanks for the information. It's been some time since we've contacted the organization. —ed

Dear Editor:

I recently read your December issue, and on page 26 came across the article *Occult Secrets of the Pharaohs*. The writer wrote that the brains, heart and entrails were taken out of the body. This information is not correct.

The brain and entrails were removed from the body, but I believe you will find that the heart was left in.

Sincerely
Jody Nieman
Winnipeg, Canada

You're right. The brains and the entrails were removed and placed in special containers. The heart as well as the kidneys were left in the bodies.

Its nice to know that we have some sharp readers, and we do not mind being corrected when we make a mistake. —ed

Dear Editor:

In your December issue, the article, *The Hypnotic Art of Curtis Watkins* was a little disappointing. Having talked to Mr. Watkins at a convention within the past several weeks, I found that you did not even interview the gentleman whom you quote and apparently whom you quoted inaccurately.

This is very unfortunate, since if I find one article in the magazine that is supposed to have been an interview, then find the

interview never took place, I then began to wonder how accurate the other articles are.

I would hope that the work you do is much better documented than this article was.

Thomas E. Baker
Youngwood, Peensylvania

First, let me begin with saying that we never passed it off as an interview. It was an article prepared and documented from material such as newspapers, magazine reports, TV guides, letters, and above all, photographs which were sent to our office by Mr. Watkins.

You should have checked with us before making any accusations as in the above letter. If the facts are wrong—and you did not mention where they were, or where where we went wrong—you should have said so in your letter.

Beyond Reality magazine want to enlighten the readers, and we will go out of our way to report what we feel is the truth. If we did indeed make some sort of mistake (which we doubt very much) then you should have brought out the details, rather than just an accusation. Looking forward to your reply. —ed

Dear Editor:

I don't understand why Mr. Von Daniken thinks he is always right, and everyone else is always wrong. I feel that he has many weak points, and he should at least admit it. He claims that he corrected his errors which appeared in his first book, *Chariots of the Gods?* in his second book, *Gods From outer Space*, which was originally called *Return to the Stars*. In his book *The Chariots Still Crash*, Clifford Wilson was asked the question: "Are Von Daniken's later books any more acceptable than his first?" He replied:

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reputable *Sydney Morning Herald*. It is the report of an extensive interview with Erich Von Daniken and he discusses each of Von Daniken's books. He mentions that in his second book, *Gods From outer Space*, Von Daniken quotes at length from *The Book of Dzan* which is supposed to tell all about the ancient world, creation, and the evolution of mankind over millions of years. In his book Von Daniken states that this book originated beyond the Himalayas. He was asked where a copy could be found, and referred to *The Secret Doctrine* by Soviet theosophist Madam H. P. Blavatsky, dating to 1888. In her introduction to that work, Madam Blavatsky makes this admission:

The Book of Dzan is utterly unknown to our philologists, or at any rate was never heard of by them under its present name. This is, of course, a great drawback to those who follow the methods of research prescribed by official science; but to the students of occultism, and to every genuine occultist, this will be of little moment.

As it plainly states, it may be of little moment to writers who do not undertake research at an academic level.

Clifford Wilson book *The Charriots Still Crash* challenges many of Von Daniken's theories.

Sincerely
Richard R. Douglas
Sidney, Australia

CORRECTION—

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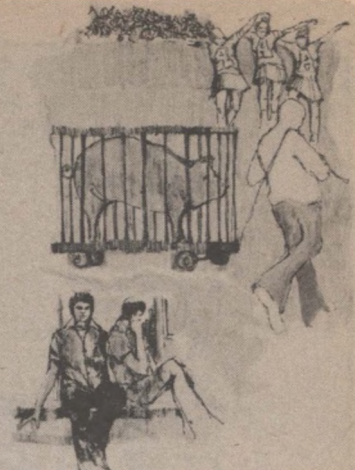
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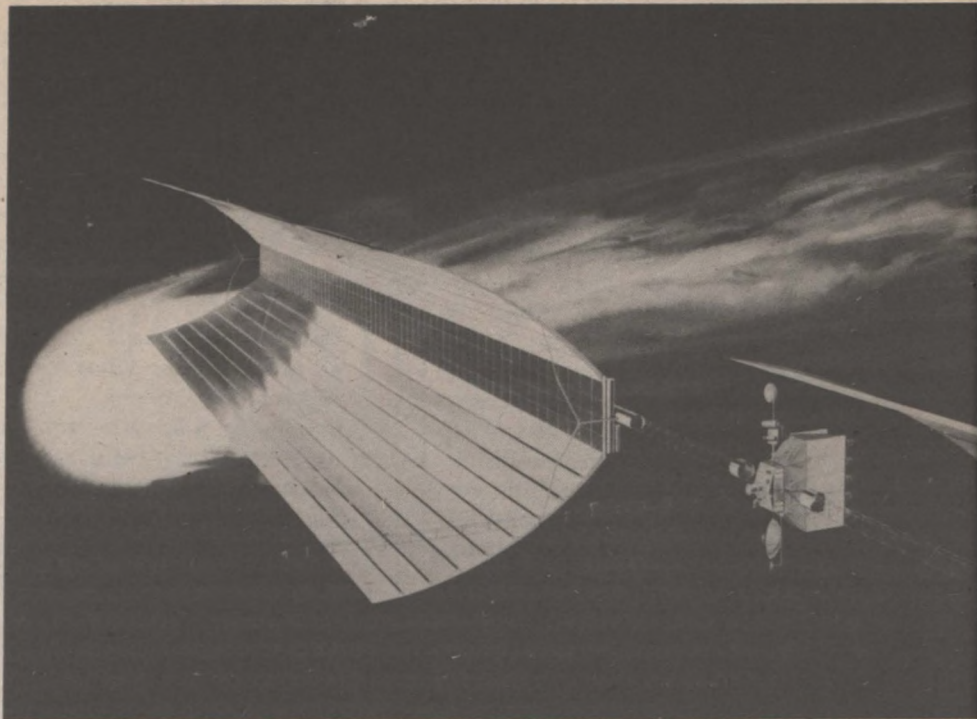
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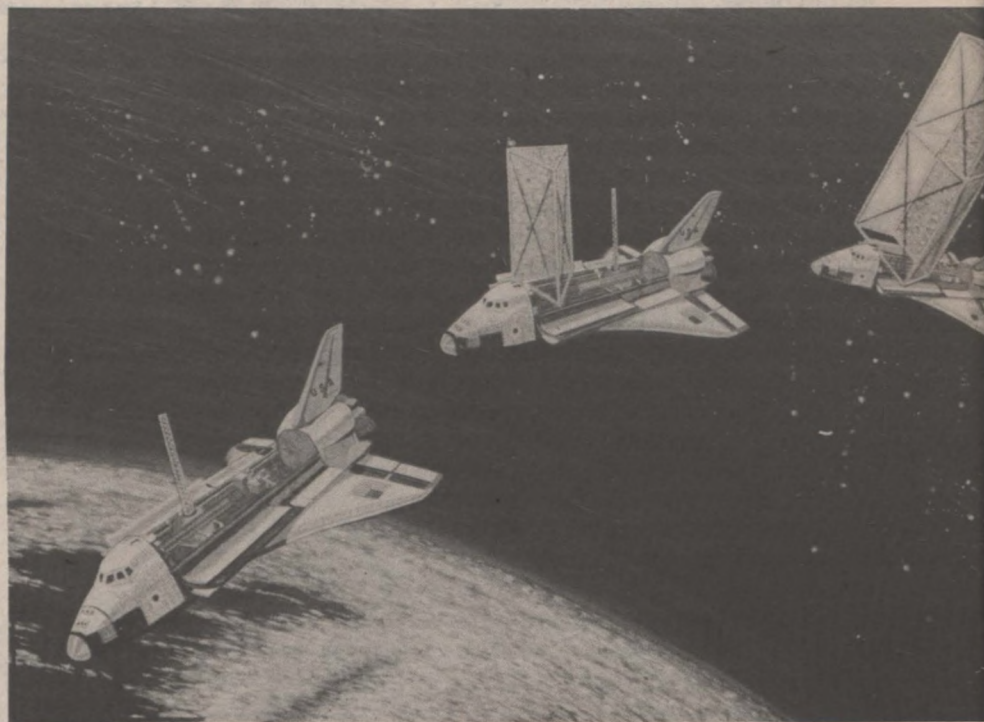
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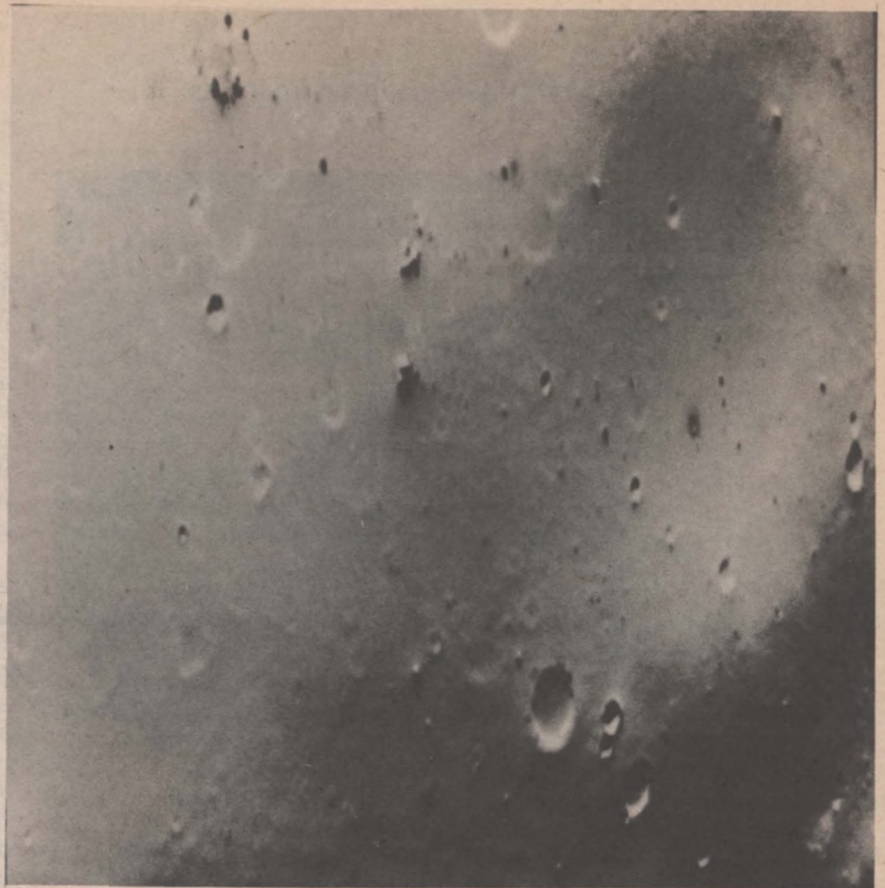
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BY SAMUEL BELIL

This picture of the Martian moon Deimos was taken October 15, when Viking Orbiter 2 passed only 30 miles away. The picture covers 0.74 by 0.93 miles and shows features as small as 10 feet. Deimos is saturated with craters smaller than 165 feet, making Deimos look smoother than the other Martian moon Phobos.



High over the Mojave desert, NASA's Space Shuttle Orbiter Enterprise rides atop the 747 carrier jet during the first manned captive test flight of the Approach and Landing Tests (ALT). Below, Astronauts Fred Rouse and Gordon Fullerton eat breakfast prior to boarding the Space Shuttle Orbiter for the test Approach and Landing Tests.



THE UFO CB-SKYWATHCERS! / continued from page 33



Founder of the CB Posse, Lawrence McCool, whose CB "handle" is Grass Grinder, feels certain that sooner or later, he will make contact with a UFO.



Mrs Deborah Stites, who together with her husband Lonnie, say they saw a UFO on the ground with some strange people around it. They were both very upset.

It seems that Lonnie Stites, a truck driver reported seeing a UFO while driving in his pickup. His wife, Deborah was with him. They said that the weird looking machine was sitting just off the shoulder of the highway and some apparent occupants were around it. "My wife and I saw this light up ahead of us as we drove along in the pickup. It appeared to be a brush fire but it kept moving ahead of us.

"There was a curve in the road and when we rounded the curve the whole area lit up like a light from a football field was turned on, then a very bright light was shined into our windshield, then standing besides the road was this man dressed in green coveralls with a green cap pulled down over his ears. He waved us down. Up on the hill another person carrying what looked like a ball of fire about the size of a basketball was walking away from an object that looked like a water tank about 10 feet across and about 15 feet tall with red lights around it."

The truck driver, and his wife reported that the man in the green coveralls wore square glasses over his eyes and that he sure looked "strange".

The sighting happened at about 11 o'clock at night. She said that she was very frightened and screamed at her husband to get the truck out of there. She drew a picture of the UFO and the strange tank with the flashing lights.

"I was terrified," she said. "We didn't tell anyone about it at first except our parents, we were afraid that some people would scoff and say that we are crazy."

Several similar cases have been reported in the area. It seems that some of these UFO are interested in communicating with someone, and if they are, the CB posse is eager to acknowledge any good buddy from outer space. □

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This Exoskeleton suit was supposed to have been used by NASA for colonizing the planets with heavy gravity such as Jupiter or Saturn. Actually, the entire bionic program which began in the early

**Robots, such as
those in the science
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be serving mankind
in the
very near future.**

1960's was designed to adjust man to hostile environment of space. Perhaps it is no accident that *The Six Million Dollar Man* was a former astronaut. Bionics will play a very important role in space colonization.

It seems that the military, NASA, the Atomic Energy Commission and the Central Intelligence Agency all work together in developing these robots and bionic systems. Once they are perfected, each branch of government will use this equipment for their own purposes. At any rate, the dreams of science fiction writers are quickly coming true as our government, and other governments around the globe invest hundreds of millions of dollars in order to perfect machines which act, look, and talk like human beings. There is little doubt that when we do go to the stars we will have advanced human-type robots and bionic suits which will be used to fight any hostile aliens who may stand in our way of colonizing the galaxy. □

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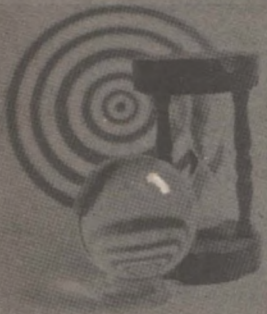
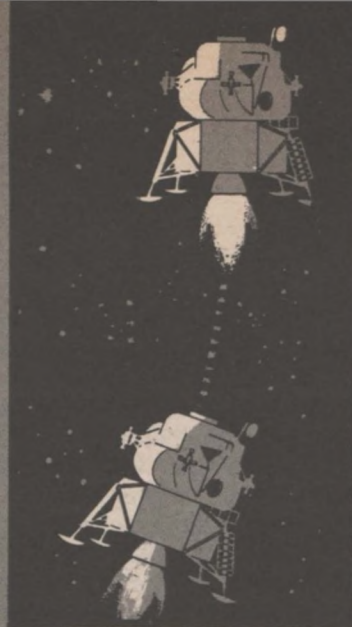
completed, and about to be released when the Whispers piece was printed, was then reviewed carefully by President Carter and his top aids to determine its suitability as a way to gradually condition the American people to accept, without fear, the fact that we are being visited from space by intelligent and friendly aliens from other planets. It seems likely that a film such as *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, which depicts both the Air Force and the UFO believers as, in Spielberg's world, "intelligent people with the best interests of the country at heart" would admirably suit the purposes of a President trying to restore the public's confidence in the Federal Government.

But what of the unsettling dis-

closures the Whispers column spoke of? Just who would be unsettled by disclosure that there were visiting alien intelligences? The mass of the world's people? Probably no. Reliable polls have shown that the people, by and large, would welcome contact with advanced civilizations that could share with us the secrets for cures for cancer, heart disease, and other killing ailments. It is also likely that any civilization sufficiently advanced to reach us has also been able to solve the problems of war, famine, pollution, and the energy crisis. So who is left to be unsettled? The Power Brokers, of course. The International Bankers, the Gnomes of Zurich, the Munitions Makers, in short, that powerful, shadowy,

money minded minority that really controls the destinies of nations.

Can Carter, with the unwitting help of a young movie maker whose only claim to fame so far is that he scared millions of moviegoers with a mechanical shark, break down the curtain that has so effectively, over the past 30 years, hindered honest UFO research? Only time will tell. But if this admittedly speculative scenario is correct, perhaps it is not unreasonable to speculate that, sometime in 1978, after millions of Americans have seen and absorbed the message of *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, President Carter could open a news conference, with all the world looking on by global TV, with the electrifying words: *We are not alone.* □



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Could this be a reality?

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Robert H. Goddard



Dr. Robert H. Goddard
Clark University Professor
March 16, 1926
Firing of first liquid fuel rocket

Postscript; To leave the solar system with a fairly high residual velocity using hydrogen and oxygen, and solar energy, the final "start" should be made from, or near the satellite of Neptune.

materials as are needed are stored in this satellite on which solar energy could be employed. The parabolic velocity due to the sun at Neptune's distance is only about 4 miles per second and the parabolic velocity of Neptune is about 3 miles per second at the distance of its satellite which has itself a parabolic velocity of probably 1.5 miles per second.

Of course the satellite could be a half-way station, and the final "start" could be beyond the orbit of Neptune with the rocket circling around the sun with the velocity for transit being added to its orbital velocity.

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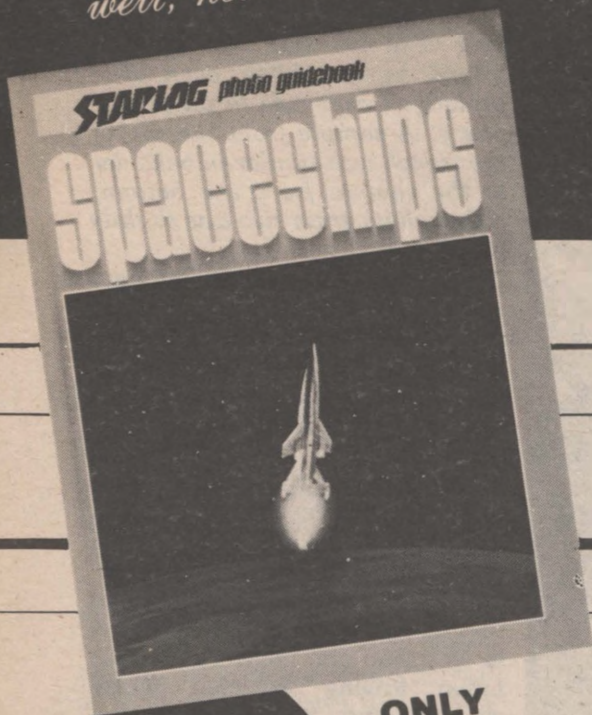
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blown away, but the relatively cohesive lunar surface seems to deflect the blast sideways, rather than developing a crater directly underneath the LM.

2. The lunar soil is not a fluffy dust but a moderately dense and cohesive material somewhat like wet sand or ploughed farm soil. Therefore, it is not surprising that the LM engine did not excavate a crater.

The lunar surface, in fact, turned out to be much more dense, compact, and resistant to penetration than some scientists originally thought.

On the Apollo 15 mission, the first soil mechanics tests were conducted using an instrument called a penetrometer—a device to measure resistance to penetration by coring bit. The penetration test showed great resistance to penetration. A trench, dug to about 14 inches, showed that soil was fine-grained and highly cohesive; a vertical wall was maintained with no difficulty. To quote from the *Apollo 15 Preliminary Science Report*, "pages 7-18:

"The material at the bottom of the trench was reported to be much harder than that above. The LMP (lunar module pilot) indicated that...further excavation necessitated chipping out the material, which came out in platy fragments approximately 0.5 cm



long. The cohesion was not destroyed by remolding even after prolonged exposure to an atmosphere. A sample from the top of the trench was similar in behavior to the sample from the bottom, although its grain size was slightly finer."

In other activities, the astronaut succeeded in implanting the flagpole to a depth of only 20 inches before it required hammering. Holes driven into the lunar surface for heat-flow experiments were observed not to collapse when the digging tools were removed. Surveyor 1, the first American spacecraft to achieve a soft landing on the moon, transmitted a picture of a footpad resting on the surface; it had sunk in less than one inch. The Apollo Lunar Roving Vehicles, which weighed only 80 pounds in the moon's gravity, drove on the lunar surface and left very shallow tiretracks.

Some surface dust can be seen in Apollo on-the-surface photos. A thin film of dust adheres to the Rover vehicle, the equipment, and especially the light-colored suits of the astronauts. However, all our evidence indicates that the lunar soil is too cohesive for the LM descent engine to excavate a large crater during the lunar landing.

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"WE'RE SEEING UFOS!"/continued from page 36

Payne that: "We're not the gathering agency—we have no vested interest in these alleged UFO sightings." Payne then told them to report all this information to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Martin and his friends got nowhere at MIT where several science instructors denied handling anything dealing with UFOs.

With this type of attitude towards UFO research, its no wonder that very little official information is passed on to the

public. Warren Martin is a television technician who feels that what he saw was no illusion since five people saw it. He said: "I can guarantee you that this is no hoax. My eyes don't play tricks on me."

Tests showed that none of the five had anything to drink that night. Martin had sketched the UFO for us. Checking through our files here at Beyond Reality, we found only one UFO type which is very close to Martin's sketch this one was seen by "The Greatest" himself, Muhammed Ali. (re-

ported to us back in 1972).

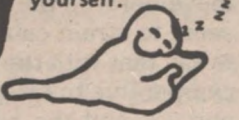
Since the Air Force no longer takes an interest in UFOs (or is keeping it under cover) they've passed the buck to the FAA, who in turn try to pass it on to someone else. We feel that much UFO information is being lost for lack of who to report it too.

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Suddenly, An Inspiration!

Then, one day, I read a few words in a magazine that gave me hope. The line went like this: "It is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."

I had tried everything else, why *not* a candle? Instinctively, I felt that just an ordinary candle wouldn't do. So after some research in the library, I had a special one made up to my order.

That night, I wrote a simple, straight-from-the-heart prayer. While I lit my custom-made candle, I said the prayer. I fell asleep, hoping for the best.

When I awoke the next morning, I had forgotten all about the candle and the prayer. But what I consider to be a *miracle* brought them both forcefully to mind.

The Hundred-Dollar Convincer!

It was summer and plenty hot. To cool off, I went to the beach. While swimming in the ocean, I spotted a flat piece of paper floating on the water a few yards away.

The waves seemed to be *pushing* the paper to me. I reached out and grabbed it tightly in my fist. Peeking through my fingers, I was surprised to see that the paper was a bill of some kind.

The ocean had put money in my hand! I looked closer and saw one zero, then another zero. It was a *hundred* dollar bill! Talk about *luck*! What are the odds for finding any kind of money in the ocean—much less \$100!

Luck, Incredible Luck!

That was the beginning of the change in my life. From then on, the bad luck which had plagued me for so long seemed to disappear. Money began to flow toward me from unexpected sources.

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tibility would be absolute.

If it were true that the aliens in the Villas Boas story could in fact breed with humans, it would mean that they were in fact either human or at any rate closer to us than chimpanzees or gorillas. This does not alter the symbolism of the story.

It would be reasonable to suggest that in any event the aliens want to tell us that sexual intercourse with or without procreation is a good way for mutually alien races to develop trust and mutual friendship.

Unfortunately, this does not fit the story. It is much more likely that they wanted to say that breeding intelligent beings is like breeding dogs. This is not meant as an insult. It means simply coming down to earth from our daydreams.

**Are the aliens
trying to
communicate a
symbolic message
to us which we
fail to understand?**

Villas Boas saw what looked like a clock but on which there was no movement of the hand. It would seem to strain coincidence too far to say that with the dial, the marks comparable to the positions 3,6,9, and 12, and the hand, the object was not a clock. Even though Villas Boas found it by himself, it could still have been there for him to find and therefore be symbolic.

For a superior alien race to say "with us, time stands still because we live in stasis," would make excellent sense. That would be exactly how they would live.

The interpretation of the Villas Boas case that has been proposed does not give us a way to explain all UFO reports. There is as yet no theory or hypothesis that could promise to do so. It might be that we would always have an unexplainable residue of UFO reports.

SEARCH FOR EXTRATERRESTRIALS/continued from page 15

field, are conducting a small-scale search for intelligent signals from *other galaxies*. Although the distances involved are enormous, Dr. Sagan and Dr. Drake are able to examine millions of stars at one time as they point their radio telescope at an entire galaxy. Should the Arecibo search prove successful, don't expect our conversations with our alien pen-pals to be too lively. Round-trip travel time for each message, travelling at the speed of light, would be at least five million years!

What does the future hold for SETI? No one can say for sure, but one fact has become very apparent: NASA is becoming interested! At the Ames Research Center and Jet Propulsion Laboratory, both in California, NASA teams are carefully studying all aspects of the Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence, and are preparing a series

**Many scientists feel
that it is only a
matter of time
before contact with
intelligence from
other worlds will be
a reality**

of reports. NASA has also formed a SETI Advisory Panel, whose members include some of the leading SETI researchers, to review the findings and recommendations of its SETI teams. While NASAs exact SETI plans will be most ambitious, in the not-so-distant future, we may well see astronauts going into orbit aboard the Space Shuttle to assemble a giant space SETI antenna, free from terrestrial radio interference. Projects such as this are already on NASA's drawing boards.

Will radio contact with an alien race be made in the *very* near future? No one can say. Even the most ambitious SETI program imaginable might take decades, if not centuries, to detect the first distant alien signal. But at least this much is certain: the Search for extraterrestrial intelligence has begun. □

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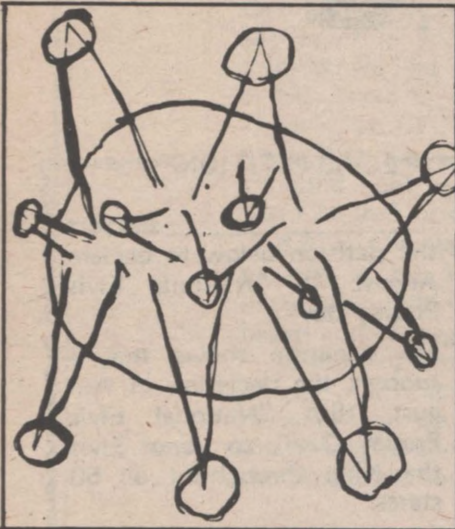
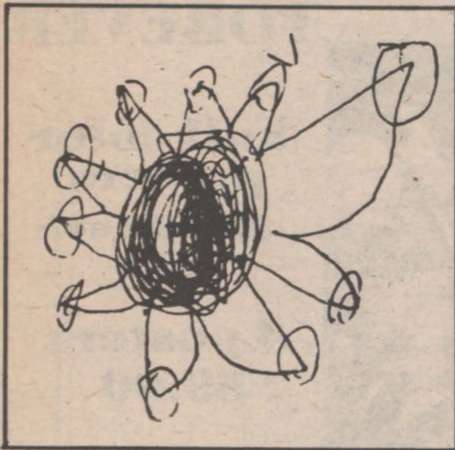
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They were questioned one at a time, and in different rooms—the results were enough to convince any skeptic that there are strange things flying around in our skies.

The brothers, Greg and Scott DeRodes were playing in the backyard of their home in Findlay, Ohio when Greg spotted a strange object in the sky.

“I was scared, and started to turn away, but Scott said wait, let’s look at it.” Greg went on to the police officer, “It didn’t have wings and it didn’t look like a balloon,” Scott said, “It had legs all over it.”

The sighting happened about 6:20 pm, and after watching the weird object in the sky, Scott yelled for his dad, Donald, who regrets that he ran out of his house without his glasses. When asked that he describe what he saw Mr. DeRodes said: All I could see without my glasses was a bright gold light that looked like it was over the airport, I wish I had my glasses.”

Mr. DeRodes, a junior high school teacher, said he immediately rushed the boys into separate rooms with paper and pens, telling them to draw exactly what

they saw in the sky.

A few minutes later, each boy produced drawings with undeniable similarities. Both boys drew, according to his ability, a circle covered with points and balls (see drawings).

“They are not the type to be imagining things,” Mrs. DeRodes said, adding that the family has never discussed UFOs. “There’s a real possibility it was one.”

Both boys are very intelligent, and are grade A and B students. They don’t believe they saw an airplane. They live near an airport and are quite familiar with aircraft.

“It sound far out, but their drawings are the same,” DeRodes said. The boys could not determine the size of the object, nor the altitude. “It was flying pretty low when we first saw it, higher than a telephone pole.” They also said that it traveled slowly and made a real funny noise. “It sounded like a radio on the wrong channel,” Greg said.

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