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I SEE BY THE PAPERS

by Curtis Fuller



QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Few writers on Christianity have taken psychic factors into account, presumably because formerly the whole subject was bedeviled by cranks, cheats, fanatics and the self-deluded, and even now the standards by which evidence is assessed are far too low. But I prophesy that when this field is explored more fully by those who overcome their stony reluctance to enter the field of psychic research and who bring to its investigation the disciplines and methods of the real scientists, the reward for religion will be far greater than our present flirtation with physics. After all, the New Testament opens with a story about angels, continues with stories of telepathic communication and evil spirits cast out, relates an interview between our Lord and Moses and Elijah who had been dead for centuries, and is crowned by an account of One who rose from the dead, could pass through closed doors, appear and disappear, and who was seen after His death by hundreds of the faithful. Surely if there is one field of inquiry, not itself essentially religious, relevant to Christian understanding, it is that of serious psychical research.

— Leslie D. Weatherhead
The Christian Agnostic (1965)

THE VIEWS set forth in FATE, as most of you are aware, are anathema to many evangelical and fundamentalist Christians who object to the very idea of spirit contact, ghosts and poltergeists and probably even such nonreligious claims as those made for ESP in general. They dismiss these claims as things of the devil who is out to subvert the faithful and send them straight to hell.

FATE is greatly concerned about this attitude because the Bible we know, especially the King James version, expresses a mixed viewpoint on this matter. Sometimes it seems to favor psychic phenomena; at other times it denounces them; then again it is passive and accepts such events as normal.

Our own view is different. Unlike the fundamentalists we feel the paranormal events described in the Bible did not cease with the Crucifixion of Christ and His resurrection but continue today. We believe they are not things of the devil but rather attest to the spiritual nature of man and the nonmaterialist aspects of reality and the universe.



CONSIDER THE BIBLE

RECENTLY we read a fascinating article in the February 1985 issue

of *Atlantic Monthly* on the problems of "Translating the Bible." The article, written by Barry Hoberman, discusses various English-language Bible translations and assesses their good and bad parts. He gives something of the history of each translation, compares some of the passages and discusses the problems and difficulties of accurate translation. Nearly all of the translations currently in use have both positive and dubious qualities, according to Hoberman, but there is one—the commercially successful *Living Bible*—that he criticizes severely.

Hoberman calls it "an inaccurate and tendentious paraphrase of the Bible that is popular with evangelicals but that has been repudiated by virtually all responsible biblical scholars."



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Even the publishers of the *Living Bible* call it a paraphrase, indicating it is not a complete translation. Nevertheless, says Hoberman, "many evangelical and fundamentalist Christians—normally proponents of biblical literalism—have made this curious text their Bible of choice, holding it to be a valid alternative to other versions of the scriptures. However, in numerous places the *Living Bible* actually distorts the biblical message."

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THIS BIBLE was produced by one man, Kenneth Taylor, who does not claim to have translated it from the original languages but instead rewrote his material in modern language from various English translations. Taylor did not strive for "an equivalency of meaning," according to Hoberman, but "regularly expanded upon and otherwise subtly altered the biblical message."

It will be well to remember this the next time you hear some fundamentalist preacher or church member call the findings of psychical research "things of the devil." Very likely he is not quoting any part of any Bible we are familiar with but rather the gospel according to Kenneth Taylor.



DISAPPEARING VIRGIN

WHEN THE Christmas lights illuminated the Bakersfield, Calif., home of Alvaro and Petra Zamora this past holiday season, people could see a 2½-foot-high image of what they believed to be the Virgin Mary against a yellow wall. The crowds gathered. Candles decorated with religious figures and pots of flowers were placed in front of the wall.

Between 1000 and 2000 persons at a time came to view the image. Deputies closed off a four-block area around the house. The lame and the halt came to pray.

Msgr. John Esquivel, pastor of nearby St. Joseph's Church, led a group in saying the rosary at the Zamora home and blessed the family. "It is definitely an image," Esquivel told Sally O'Connell of the *Bakersfield Californian*.

"You could definitely imagine it to be an image of a woman, so there is nothing wrong with people gathering to pray."

Monsignor Esquivel made no statement about what the image might be. He said he expected it to disappear when the Christmas lights were taken down. "It will be an entirely different situation if it stays there," he said. "The purpose behind the blessing of a home is that every house should be a church."

When the Christmas lights were finally taken down, only a few persons insisted they could still see the image.



SECOND LOOK

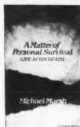
THOSE OF YOU who have followed UFO reports are surely aware of the large boomerang-shaped UFOs sighted over Westchester County, New York, last summer. The affair attracted a great deal of local attention and was on its way to being a classic case until it was "exposed."

One exposé appeared as the lead article in the November 1984 issue of *Discover*. It was a much inflated and sensationalized piece reflecting the biases of then-managing editor Leon Jaroff, long an emotional critic of anomalous and paranormal claims.

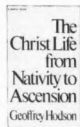
The gist of *Discover's* article, written by Glenn Garelik, was that the UFOs reported by hundreds of people in the area were really only private planes whose fun-loving pilots flew in formation with their lights on, intending to scare the bejabbers out of the earth-bound folks.

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Dick Ruhl in the *APRO Bulletin*, Vol. 32, No. 6, published by the respected Aerial Phenomena Research Organization (3910 E. Kleindale Rd., Tucson, Ariz. 85712).

My own skepticism is based on the fact that night formation flying by even the most skilled and practiced military pilots is dangerous. Moreover, it is strictly illegal and every one of the pilots involved in such an enterprise would be severely disciplined. The feat supposedly was accomplished by a band of skylarking civilian pilots from a small Westchester County airport. Because I have not been involved in aviation for many years, I asked my friend Max Karant, retired assistant director of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, to comment on the probabilities. Here are excerpts from his response:

"I'm inclined to be skeptical about these fun-loving pilots at Stormville too. If you've ever tried to fly in formation, you quickly brush aside all that hogwash on the subject that's in the [*Discover*] article. Even in broad daylight, formation flying is tricky. The average private pilot may have tried it but if he didn't get killed it scared him to death. . . . Now, doing that at night, in private planes, with private pilots, is sheer nonsense.

"As for the law, the FAA would be at the head of the parade looking for culprits. The Federal Air Regulations [FARs] make clear why. Such flying as described in that article would be in violation of FAR 91.9, 91.65(a), 91.69(a), 91.109, and so on and on . . .

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THIRD LOOK

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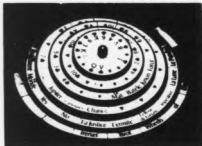
Ruhl relates that he and three other APRO field investigators, Sal Giamusso, Gerry Arena and Richie Petracca, set out to investigate the mystery. They interviewed witnesses, police, officials at Westchester airport and other persons. He tells how Sgt. George Lowery of the New Cassel Police Department alerted members of the town board and how about 25 board members ran outside to see a lighted wedge-shaped object which appeared, to some of them at least, to be one large body. Lois Mitchell, superintendent of

the town of New Cassel, described it as looking like a boomerang or having a delta-wing shape with three greenish-white lights atop it. The craft was "very steady and very, very slow, just gliding."

Meanwhile, Westchester Airport confirmed that it had made radar contact with the "object." Adrienne Pellini, in a June 25 sighting, called it a "tremendously large object . . . solid . . . unbelievably large It was so big it filled up the whole sky and it was very solid. It blocked out the stars and clouds I saw the entire bottom of it."

Ruhl and his group continued their inquiries. Finally, one night they saw what looked like a genuine UFO through Ruhl's binoculars. They saw a brilliant white wedge-shaped object floating and turning in the sky. They

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believed it couldn't possibly be a formation of planes. Ruhl writes, "Suddenly Petracca shouted, 'There's another one to the left!' . . . We watched in utter amazement as the two objects glided extremely slowly and maneuvered . . . constantly changing from white as they approached us to red as they turned away, and then from the side, the red, green-blue and white lights appeared."

"They finally formed up into a huge boomerang shape and it was then that I saw some light reflected on the bodies of six aircraft. We knew then we had the evidence on the 'Stormville pilots.'"

Subsequently the four investigators were threatened when they went to the airport to press their investigation. Nevertheless they were able to obtain further evidence that the "UFO" was an artifact of the airplanes. But one question continued to bother them:

"Were there actual UFOs in the area in addition to the formation-flying pilots?"

Ruhl concludes there is a 10-percent chance that there was a genuine object in the Westchester-Putnam-Duchess-County area as well as in some parts of Connecticut.

"The witnesses must reexamine what they saw in an objective manner in the light of the facts," he says. "Mrs. Murphy [who drew sketches of what she saw, including a domed object] saw both the pilots at night and the UFO and she feels they are definitely different. Time will tell."

Perhaps.



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A STORY reported in a more recent issue of the *APRO Bulletin* (Vol.

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32, No. 10) says that on July 24, 1984, a night when a formation of lights was observed over Westchester County, police in a neighboring county observed eight airplanes flying in circular formation.

The police alerted another officer who drove to the airport, where he saw one of the planes land. Two others landed and quickly turned off their lights. The other five planes, apparently having spotted the police car, veered away and fled.

Sgt. Daniel Andriano, who first saw the planes, has reported the incident to the FAA. State police say they do not know if these aircraft were also responsible for the Westchester sightings—but it does appear from the witnesses' description of the planes' behavior that their pilots were up to something and did not wish to be caught at it.



SOVIET "UFO"

ON JANUARY 31, 1985, in a dispatch out of Moscow, the *New York Times* reported a spectacular sighting of an aerial apparition that "first appeared as a yellow light, then as a white ray. Then it became a green cloud that turned into something resembling a plane. It was the latest example of a phenomenon that has caught Russians' imagination—sightings of unidentified flying objects."

The object was observed by passengers and crew aboard Aeroflot 8352 on a night flight from Rostov to Tallinn. The sighting, which occurred at 4:10 A.M. in a clear sky, was confirmed by ground controllers who tracked two unidentified blips on their radar screen. Among those who monitored the track-

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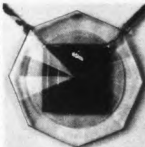
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This last description is frustratingly vague. Are we to believe that the cloud took on roughly the outline of a plane or that it actually *turned into* a plane-shaped craft?

Nikolai N. Zheltukhin, a corresponding member of the Academy of Sciences and the head of the Commission on Anomalies, discounted meteorological

explanations, calling the sighting (in the *Times'* words) "a valuable documentation of the transformation of an unidentified flying object."

From our perspective, however, it seems wise to suspend judgment—at least until further information is available—on whether this was or was not a UFO. James Oberg, a UFO investigator and authority on the Soviet space program, has shown that a number of spectacular Russian "UFO" sightings in recent years were caused by secret satellite launches. Frequently witnesses reported seeing a "cloud"—caused by the venting of excess propellant from the rocket—in association with what they took to be a UFO. See, for example, Oberg's article "Giant UFO Over Two Continents," January 1983 *FATE*, and especially the photograph on page 47.

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I am sure you are acquainted with the old superstition that if salt is spilled a pinch of it should be immediately cast over the left shoulder to avert bad luck. There are in fact many superstitions concerning salt, but did you know that its innumerable properties actually have a very profound mystical significance? Now I don't wish to bore you with philosophy but I do want to tell you that salt – when ritually employed – has a very real effect on changing circumstances according to one's will. Maybe you think I am mad, but since I discovered this secret just under six months ago I have:

- twice won on the horses – \$3,500 first time and \$18,900 two weeks ago.
- twice played bingo and won \$300 each time.
- last month won \$15,000 on a state lottery.

I don't mind anybody thinking I am mad for my ritual use of salt because "mad" or not I am doing very well out of it! I have given up my job as I no longer need to work to make a living. Instead of working I have just come back from a long luxury world cruise which took me to Cape Town, Madras, Bangkok, Melbourne, and other exciting places. I now have three TV sets in my home – one in the sitting room, one in the bedroom and the other in the kitchen. I also have two video recorders – one downstairs, one upstairs. All these luxuries have come my way since beginning to use "Salt Power".

The funny thing is that I didn't use "Salt Power" in the beginning to win money. Frankly I considered the use of salt for such a matter as childish nonsense. In fact I used salt simply for the purpose of stopping a neighbour calling on me. I did it in response to a challenge by a folklorist who was telling me how much salt ritualism had helped him in life. I was very sceptical, but he said that I could prove it for myself by using salt to stop the pestering neighbour. The folklorist told me what to do and I was surprised by its simplicity. I felt silly using salt in this manner – all that salt had ever meant to me was its use in adding flavour to cooked meals. The neighbour in question had always been a pest – always borrowing things and wasting my time with gossip. Three times a week she would be at my door. She was a nuisance to others too. She was one of those thick-skinned people who would never get the hint that you didn't want them. After using the salt ritual she never called again.

I was not so strident in my scepticism when I next met my folklorist friend! I confided that maybe it was "just coincidence" that she never called again, but even so my curiosity in salt's so-called "mystical powers" had been aroused. I felt there could be something to it. He assured me that there was in fact a lot more to it, and that he was prepared to tell me how it could help me in all kinds of situations if I was willing to try it. I can tell you that I am glad I tried it! Life has changed so much to the good for me these last few months that I can hardly believe it has all happened! I am now an even bigger believer than my folklorist friend! Even as I write this I have a little salt nearby – in fact I do nothing or go nowhere without a little sprinkling of salt!

Maybe all this good luck is coincidence, but I am not prepared to give up using salt to find out! And I must be frank with you – I do

not have a clue how it works! I just perform the salt rituals and I get what I want! I am not a "psychic" person so it can have nothing to do with possessing any "special powers". The only thing that I have "special" is luck – and that only began when I started following my folklorist friend's advice!

But I have more than "luck" – I have love, too. I know my wife won't mind me saying this because she, too, is a believer in "Salt Power". In recent years our marriage – like a lot of people's – had grown stale. We were getting on each other's nerves, and it seemed difficult to believe that we were the same happy couple that married so many years ago. I decided to see if Salt Power could help. It more than "helped" – it made us like rapturous honeymooners again! Whilst I am very grateful for all the financial blessings I have received I must say that nothing has made me happier than this rekindled love between my wife and I. Money cannot bring happiness, but "Salt Power", I confess, can. The purpose of this advertisement is not so much to tell you about my own good fortune, but to tell you about a book called **SALT POWER for Bringing Love, Luck, and Wealth**. It's author is Marcus T. Bottomley and I have been privileged to write the foreword to it. It is, I believe, the only book in the world written exclusively about the mystical properties of salt. It features all the rituals I have used for bringing the luck I have experienced. In fact it gives salt rituals for many different needs and situations such as:

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So you can see it is not just in money matters "Salt Power" can help you, but in many other matters as well. However, in order not to belittle the financial aspects of this power I should tell you that it is not just ordinary people like me using it, but also prosperous business people. In fact some of these people say that it is regular use of salt ritualism that helped them to become prosperous in the first place!

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Stanley Gilliland, who heads the research project at Oklahoma State,

warns that his team's conclusions are still preliminary. He also points out that only certain strains of the acidophilus bacteria are able to accomplish the desired results.



LIFE IN THE VOLCANO

AN UNDERWATER volcano has been discovered about 240 miles west of Newport, Oreg., in what is known as the Juan de Fuca Ridge. It lies 5000 feet under the seawater and rises 4300 feet from the ocean bottom and it supports a stunning variety of strange deep sea life.

This huge smoldering volcano is the second similar discovery made during the summer of 1984. The other is the smaller but equally strange "Magic Mountain" consisting of gray smokers found several hundred miles north along

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There is fresh lava within the crater with jets of hot water shooting up from the fissures around its rim. The water is clear as a vent is approached but becomes cloudy in its immediate vicinity with suspended bacteria that thrive on the normally poisonous hydrogen sulfide pouring from the vents.

"When you get near the vent, the water has large floccules like snowflakes of bacteria floating around," Malahoff told the United Press, "and on the floor you'll have populations of hydrothermal worms which are the most spectacular. [There are] clams, of course, and then you have vent fish which have never been caught as yet. These are semitransparent fish that live in the warm vent water."

The thousands of worms around the vents look like a field of wheat that has been knocked down and lodged by wind and rain. Along with the large tube-worms which have carrot-colored tops are smaller palm worms—small "blood-like worms with little tentacles on the end."

In the Magic Mountain discovery the vent chimneys grow to the size of small redwood trees and other spires are as high as 150 feet and 600 feet in circumference.

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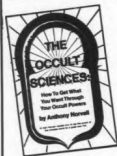


EXTINCTIONS

WALTER ALVAREZ and his colleagues' claims that the dinosaur extinctions were caused by a giant meteorite or small asteroid or comet hitting the earth continue to be challenged by paleobiologists. One skeptic is William Clemens, professor at the University of California at Berkeley, where Alvarez is also in residence.

Alvarez's theory seems plausible. It contends that an asteroid struck the earth about the time the dinosaurs vanished, causing worldwide devastation which killed 70 percent of all plant and animal life. Alvarez's strongest evidence is a thin layer of clay, containing a high level of iridium, that separates the Cretaceous age from the Tertiary age. Proponents of his theory agree that the iridium could have come only from space because iridium is scarce on earth but 100,000 times more abundant on extraterrestrial objects.

Clemens disagrees. He concedes the existence of the iridium layer but says it doesn't coincide with the extinctions. He believes the dinosaurs had been gone for 10,000 to 50,000 years by the time the asteroid struck—and, besides, many other creatures crossed the time boundary safely.



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Clemens himself thinks that “we’re probably looking at changes resulting from a gradual shift in climate.” Needless to say, the Alvarez team disputes Clemens’ arguments.



WHITE SALAMANDER

A NEW LETTER, purportedly written in 1830 by Martin Harris, the first convert to Mormonism, is widely viewed as threatening to alter the “idealized” portrait of Joseph Smith, who founded the Church of Mormon.

Reportedly the letter says that Smith found the golden plates which later resulted in the Book of Mormon with the help of a “seer stone”—a kind of magical looking glass, according to John Dart in the *Los Angeles Times*. It also claims that Smith was at first kept from gaining possession of the plates by an “old spirit” which had transfigured itself into a white salamander.

The real change in all this is that Smith said he was directed by an angel to find the golden plates which he translated by means of seer stones. This would seem to be no more than a variant of Smith’s known practice of hunting treasure in those difficult times in New York state. Smith, like many other persons, was an inveterate treasure hunter and he believed there were treasures guarded by spirits who had the ability to remove them to another location if the searcher got close.

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Dart apparently believes Mormons would be troubled to know that Smith was a treasure seeker who believed in magical spirits. But this is already known and in fact was discussed in Rodger I. Anderson's article "The Man Who Saw Visions in His Hat" in the October 1984 issue of *FATE*. What is new, of course, is the "white salamander" idea and also the contradiction in the story of how the golden plates were found.



PAST-LIFE MEMORY

IN A JANUARY 1985 lecture to Britain's Association for the Scientific Study of Anomalous Phenomena, writer Ian Wilson spoke of his investigation of "past lives" said to be recalled through hypnotic regression.

His interest was sparked by a television program on the work of hypnotist Arnall Bloxham who had regressed numerous persons and recorded their accounts of prior incarnations. Wilson wrote Bloxham who sent him a copy of a book in which he kept transcriptions of his subjects' stories. "That book was the first thing to make me sit up and look at the subject with a critical eye," Wilson said. "There were many of these cases that were unconvincing.

"For instance, one person was saying they were living in the time of Rameses III and using Cistercian coins. But there were no Cistercian coins at that time and someone living at that time would not have known the pharaoh as Rameses III; it was Victorian archaeologists who gave the pharaoh [his] number."

As he continued his investigation, Wilson found a consistent pattern: the stories were initially impressive but

under scrutiny they all fell apart.

In one case a woman "recalled" a life as a witch in 16th-Century England. She said she was tried at Chelmsford, Essex, in 1556 and she provided the names of the prosecutor and judge and many other details. When Wilson examined the historical record, he found all the details checked out—except one.

He learned that one of the earliest books mentioning the case got the date wrong—1556 instead of the real date, 1566. Later writers copied the mistake. Wilson concluded that the hypnotized woman had unconsciously drawn on a memory from her present life of something she had read in a book.

In another case a hypnotized subject spoke in what appeared to be 16th-Century English. But a linguistic expert who heard the tape said this was not English as it was spoken four centuries ago.



NO RULES IN THE GAME

ANOTHER PROBLEM Wilson has with supposed past-life recall is that people who undergo hypnosis with different hypnotists tell different stories about how reincarnation works.

"Joe Keeton found that people tend to be reincarnated nine months after their last life—that is, they go straight into the womb after their death," Wilson said. "But Bloxham's subjects were completely different with up to three centuries between each life."

Wilson has concluded that "the explanation for past lives lies in a controlled splitting of the personality which occurs when the hypnotist tells the subject, 'You are going back to a past life.'

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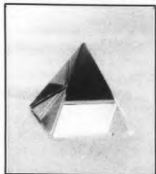
A computer-aided study of 4000 mentally ill persons over 20 years shows that the severity of mental illness varies with the positions of the sun and moon. Mirabile says that psychotics behave most bizarrely when the moon is full—an idea that has been part of folk wisdom for centuries. Moreover, he reports that computer analyses show that susceptibility to motion sickness has a remarkable seasonal effect on the hospital admissions of the mentally ill. Persons with very large or very small tendencies to motion sickness are most apt to be admitted to the hospital in the spring and fall. Those with intermediate motion-sickness susceptibility tended to be admitted during the summer and winter. Mirabile has no idea why this is true.

Mirabile's study also shows that the severity of the disease climbs not only when the moon is full but also at the time of the new moon when the lunar image disappears. This suggests that the brain may be responding not to moonlight itself but to the rising and falling tides.

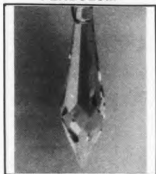


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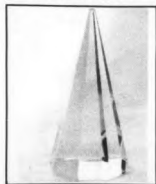
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THE WITCHES OF MAJORCA

The few remaining survivors of an ancient people, *Los Bruxos* use 4000-year-old formulas to mix therapeutic elixirs.

Text, photos and sketches by Salvatore M. Trento

MAJORCA, largest of the Balearic Islands in the western Mediterranean, is a sun-drenched semitropical paradise. Each year more than two million tourists, mostly from the cold, cloud-covered northern European countries, fly down for a holiday in heat and

sunshine. To tourists, Majorca is a place of quaint hotels and turquoise-blue coves—but high up in the island's north-western sierras, far away from noisy discos and salty margaritas, are the last remnants of a forgotten culture. In tiny one-room stone houses tucked under



In village of Soller, author met Biel (center) who with his fellow *Bruxos* is here recording native songs. Later, when author visited Biel's *casita* in the mountains, he learned that merriment is as much a part of *Bruxos'* life as potions and chants.

Villagers loiter near base of Roman cobblestone road which leads into mountains and to homes of *Los Bruxos*.



sheer cliffs live the few remaining survivors of an ancient people—*Los Bruxos*, the witches.

I have visited Majorca often over the past 13 years and on one visit some years ago my friend Tofol, a skilled carpenter, told me tales of *Los Bruxos* (pronounced "brew hose"). He said that when he was a boy some 75 years ago, a strange people were known to live among the island's most inaccessible cliffs. These people practiced pagan-Christian rituals and worshipped the Black Madonna and some made elixirs from natural herbs and flowers which reputedly cured everything from an upset stomach to unrequited love. Tofol told me that many villagers used to go into the mountains to make use of these services.

Intrigued by this piece of folklore, I determined to learn whether any

remnants of *Los Bruxos*—cauldrons, houses, fire pits—were scattered among the rocks. I reasoned that Tofol's boyhood reflections must have stemmed from the early 1920's; this was all I had to go on when I set out to recapture the lost history of these strange people.

The Bar Central, just off the main plaza in the village of Soller, caters to the island's old stock: men from the fields, workers seeking to escape the midafternoon heat. These grizzled old men don't waste words, nor do they care much for the formalities of mainland Castilian Spanish. They speak Mallorquin, a language hybridized from Catalan, Arabic and French. Cigarette smoke and the sweet scent of Soberano, a smooth Iberian brandy, greeted my nostrils when I walked into the darkened place one day in the summer of 1984—and here I met a Majorcan witch.



Biel guided author's search for lost history of ancient people who lived in isolation among the cliffs, practiced pagan-Christian rituals and worshipped the Black Madonna. *Bruxo* sites are often associated with Bronze Age sites which date as far back as 1800 B.C.

"Salvatore! Oyay, Salvatore!" Tofol called to me from the rear of the bar. As I walked through the beaded entranceway, a sea of leather-faced men in black berets turned toward me. Sitting next to Tofol was a small man with delicate features and piercing green eyes. Tofol introduced him as Biel, a friend he had known all his life. I extended my hand and mumbled something in Spanish. Biel's greeting was a bit unnerving. His eyes seemed to penetrate the inadequacies of my tongue. He knew what I meant, although I hadn't spoken Mallorquin, but most distressingly he answered the question

I was just forming in my mind!

"Yes, I am a *Bruxo*," he said nonchalantly. "Like my father and my father's father and before."

I knew that Tofol had wanted me to meet someone special. He had told me that morning to stop in the bar to meet his friend. But I was totally unprepared for this.

"Tofol, *es verdad?*" I said. "Is it true?" He smiled and nodded.

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SUPERSTITION has always played a large part in the lives of Majorcans, especially in the mountains where contact with outsiders used to be limited to weekend treks to market. And this contact was the privilege of men. Women stayed home minding the pigs. Given the austere conditions of the local terrain, the remoteness of clusters of *fincas* (farmhouses) and the coastal pillages by North African pirates, the islanders developed peculiar beliefs about their psychosocial surroundings. Perhaps in an effort to muster some control over their seemingly chaotic environment—Saracen pirates storming into villages, killing the men, raping the women and selling the children into slavery—the Majorcans turned to *Los Bruxos*, strange social outcasts who in the eyes of the populace had the power to influence events.

At dawn the morning after our meeting, Biel took me to the mountains. We walked up a curving cobblestone pathway past gnarled olive trees the size of small houses. The Romans built this switchback soon after occupying the island in 120 B.C. When it came to influencing a local populace, the Romans were experts. They always built roads through the main centers of religious

activity, the better to keep track of native affairs.

As we walked Biel pointed out peculiar facets of the island's history. The olive terraces were built by the Moors, the North African Arabs who swept through Iberia, invading and eventually settling there in the late Eighth Century A.D. They stayed in Majorca for 500 years. Although the Moors brought agricultural prosperity to the island, terracing the mountainsides into tillable land with an extensive irrigation system of canals and aqueducts, and although they were forced out of Majorca in the 1200's, if you mention a Moor to a farmer today he will spit. Even after 700 years the hatred runs deep.

"Biel, why do the farmers today hate a people who did so much for the island?" I asked. "Your people are still harvesting olives from trees planted by the Moors."

He pointed to the countless terraced fieldstone walls snaking up 45-degree angle hills.

"The olive tree loves misery," he said. "Treat it well and it will die. The best fruit comes from trees planted in the most miserable soil like that in the

mountains, but to gather and transport the fruit you need workers. My ancestors were slaves for the Moors. They cut into the mountains, leveling the sides like so many stairs. Then they carried the stones on their backs from the valley below to build the terraces. Later they carried the fruit to the Moorist presses."

After what seemed an eternity we passed over a raging falls by way of an arched stone bridge of Moorish origin. Perched on a hillock a few hundred yards away was Biel's *casita*. As we neared the little house I saw what appeared to be a party in full swing. Four red-faced men were joking and drinking and someone passed me a bottle of red wine before I could introduce myself. Biel was gulping Soberano. The sun was just beginning to peek over a stark, pink-gray cliff face known as the Baranc. It was 8:00 A.M.



Mid-19th-Century archives in Palma, Majorca's capital, verify grisly tale of Josefa who murdered and dismembered her drunken husband Jaime. Because of her father's social status, she was not punished for the crime and lived out her life as a witch.

The next few weeks spent with these men—these *Bruxos*—were filled with mystery and intrigue. I was discovering a foreign culture. Their ways were similar to the lowlanders, yet different. Here were chipper athletic men in their 80's smoking Winston cigarettes while mixing potions to help cure children's bed-wetting. Watching them gather herbs and roots for their potions conjured up a sense of ages-old magic. While they were obviously well-versed in local wild-plant pharmacology, their method of gathering the flora, the chants and songs which preceded the mixing, spoke of ancient rituals.

One of the plants collected in the light of the full moon was the mandrake. In times past the forked root of the plant, which vaguely resembles a human form, was thought to be the receptacle of great earth-spirit power. It was believed that the mandrake could be safely uprooted only once a month, after appropriate song and ritual. Great care was taken to block one's ears against the deadly shriek the root supposedly uttered as it came out of the soil. The Majorcan *Bruxos* got around the problem by playing a loud musical instrument called the *ximbomba* (pronounced chimbomba), a drumlike vessel with a bamboo reed attached to the skin's midsection. The player would spit on his hands and stroke the reed in a downward motion, producing an eerie "womp, womp, womp" while his partners yanked out the mandrake. Once the root was picked it was used in potions for inducing love, helping in pregnancy, healing cuts and inducing sleep for the insomniac.

There may be something to all this; the mandrake root contains a narcotic alkaloid similar to atropine. The bio-

logical effects include faster heart rate, pupil dilation, relaxation of intestinal spasms (helpful in preventing bed-wetting) and hallucinations. Large doses of the pulverized root radically affect the central nervous system with symptoms of intense excitement and delirium followed by depression and paralysis. When one considers the potency of this and other drugs, it is easy to understand the power *Los Bruxos* must have had among the Majorcan people.

During my stay with the *Bruxos* I saw them mix other elixirs, each for a specific purpose. The origins of these potions no doubt date to prehistoric times. The *Bruxo* sites, known as *Plas de ses Bruxos* (places of the witches), are often found on or near Bronze Age tomb and occupation sites, ruins that date to 1800 B.C. Preliminary analysis of the pottery shards found in burials has shown that the bowls contained not grain or food but rather pulverized dried herbs and flowers, the very same plants used by Biel and his fellow *Bruxos* to make their potions.

Records of strange rites and potions on the Balearic Islands go back to Roman times. At a place called *Calas Covas* (cove of the caves) on the neighboring island of Minorca, there is a cave wall with more than 20 Roman stone plaques cemented to it. The First Century A.D. Latin-Greek script speaks of springtime fertility rituals practiced by the cave inhabitants. The partially obscured, weathered text also refers to anointings and to specially prepared drinks which enabled the ancients to commune with the gods.

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ONE MORNING about seven o'clock the chatter of new voices

awakened me. Stepping from the *casita*, I saw an old woman dressed in black holding the hand of a small boy no more than six years old. Antonia had walked up from the village to get help for her grandson Pepe. He was a bed wetter.

Talk of the problem clearly annoyed the boy. He fidgeted while Antonia told Biel that her daughter Maria had tried all sorts of medical remedies to cure her son. None worked and the problem was getting serious. Pepe's older brothers taunted him and the youngster himself was becoming unruly.

Biel nodded knowingly as he listened to the story. He had heard it all before. When Antonia finished he called the boy.

"Pepe, come and watch me make a special treat for you."

The boy followed him into the *casita* where Biel took a bottle of powder from an old olive wood cabinet. It was mandrake root that had been crushed into a fine dust. Scooping about a cup of the powder into a bowl, Biel then poured from a flask a sweet alcoholic liqueur made from raspberries. When these were mixed he sent Pepe off to play and Biel and Antonia walked to a cave-side niche which held a Madonna. The *Bruxo* ladled the pastelike potion into a small jar and placed it before the Madonna. Antonia, apparently quite versed in this developing ritual, produced a candle and some matches. Biel lighted the candle, dropped to his knees, made the sign of the cross and prayed that his work be not in vain. After a few moments he told Antonia to spread the mixture on toast before giving it to Pepe as a bedtime snack, saying, "In two days he will be cured."

One morning about a week later

Antonia and her daughter Maria came to the *casita* to thank Biel. The potion had worked. They kissed the *Bruxo* and left 2000 pesetas (about \$12) under a plate on his table.

I asked Biel if he ever had any requests for love potions. He roared with laughter and said, "There used to be many years ago. Now few come by." He went on to tell me about Carlos who had visited him the year before. The young man was having trouble attracting the attention of a gorgeous blond Scandinavian girl. As a waiter at a port-side cafe, Carlos often saw her bathing on the beach. But the girl never noticed him.

Biel remembered the scene with glee: "He was sweating and stuttering as he spoke of her. She must have been very beautiful. The boy was possessed by her."

Biel talked to Carlos a long time about the finer points of male-female attraction. He remembered saying, "Don't be too anxious. Smile when you walk past her. Don't leer."

Carlos listened intently and finally Biel gave him an amulet to wear around his neck. "This will attract her like squid to a fisherman's night-light," he told the boy.

"What did you give him?" I asked. "A special stone dipped in a blend of herbal juice?"

"It was nothing. Just a stone, no more, but it works every time. The boy eventually went with her to Sweden. He came up to thank me before they left."

This touching anecdote illustrates the function and place of *Los Brujos* now and in times past. The witches provided the psychological boost, the necessary confidence the Majorcans needed to do

the things they found most difficult, whether attracting a lover or buying a pig.

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ONE DAY Biel talked of the night spirits that inhabit the mountains. The *Donetas d'Aygo* are water nymphs credited with providing—or withholding—water from wells. If a man found a well with a continuous flow of water, he was said to have been blessed and beckoned to it by a water spirit. The *Molpis* are grotesque, angry spirits of ancient warriors killed in battle who inhabit Majorca's many caves. Entering a cave without proper "spiritual" protection, said Biel, would certainly lead to insanity or even death. (My mind flashed back to the many caves I had explored over the years, knowing nothing of the *Molpis*.) The *Demonis Bonet* is an evil spirit which occupies houses and causes havoc: doors open and close, furniture moves around—basic poltergeist phenomena. Biel said he knew of cases so bad the occupants had to leave their property. This spirit mostly haunts mountainside *fincas* (farmhouses).

"Can you take me to a haunted *finca*?" I asked. Biel looked at me as if I were crazy. "I'm curious about such stories," I went on. "Most of the 'ghostly' happenings can surely be explained."

"Salvatore," he whispered, "to know what I speak of you must learn to see with your eyes, not your head."

"Now how do I do that?"

"By listening to and believing your fears."

I had trouble sleeping that night. Biel's words were unsettling. Here was a man with no formal education telling

me that to understand another's mental framework, one must first recognize the barriers within oneself.

The next day, before we set out for the "haunted" *finca*, Biel led me to a cave not far from his *casita* where he had constructed a small shrine to the local variant of the Roman Catholic Virgin Mary. The Cult of the Virgin Mary is prevalent on Majorca and most important is St. Mary of Lluch. Legend has it that in the valley of Lluch, once the last Arab stronghold after the Reconquest in 1272, the Virgin appeared to a priest and a shepherd. Her cult is a variation of a common, ancient theme found throughout the Mediterranean: worship of the Mother Goddess which predates Christianity by several thousand years. Biel's shrine, holding a statue of a black Virgin and Child, is adorned with seashells plastered into its interior walls and candles.

The black Madonna and Child represent a blend of pagan Mother Goddess worship and Virgin adoration. The dark color is thought to symbolize the rich soil of a fertile earth. The seashells are vestigial remnants of the Mother Goddess cult which manifested as early as circa 4000 B.C. in Crete and spread across the Mediterranean.

Leaving the shrine, we set out to find the haunted *finca*. A three-hour climb brought us to a section of the mountain range called the "Lofre." Beyond this, on a 500-foot cliff overlooking the sea was the abandoned *finca* of Josefa, a *Bruja* (female witch) who lived in the mid-1800's. After Biel told me her story I verified it in mid-19th-Century archives in Palma, Majorca's capital city.

Josefa wasn't always a witch. The daughter of a wealthy landowner, she

married Jaime, a field hand, whom her parents did not like because of his low social status. Nevertheless, part of her dowry was a large estate which had been in the family since the 1300's. Soon after the marriage, when Jaime refused to work the land and spent his time drinking and gambling, Josefa sought help from an old *Bruja*. She did not love Jaime anymore; all she wanted was to be rid of him, whatever the cost.

After her visit to the *Bruja*, strange things began to happen in Josefa's *finca*. As if it were invaded by a *Demonis Bonet*, plates crashed off tables in the middle of the night; shutters opened and closed when no wind was blowing; animals howled and shrieked for no apparent reason. Eventually, word of these strange occurrences spread to the village where Jaime's gambling partners warned him that something evil was going on.

Unperturbed, Jaime went home after a night of heavy drinking with his cronies. This time Josefa was waiting for him, eyes glazed as if she were possessed. Jaime screamed as a meat cleaver crashed into his drunken skull. Within minutes Josefa had carved up his body and spread the pieces across the kitchen floor. When the villagers found her three days later, she was dancing around the rotting flesh, her disheveled clothing stained with Jaime's blood.

Because of her father's wealth and political influence, Josefa was never punished for her crime. She spent the rest of her life alone in the *finca* practicing witchcraft. She died in the early 1900's.

While it was clear to me that Josefa's story had been embellished in retelling through the years, the moment Biel

finished I wanted to leave—but it was too late. We had to spend the night in Josefa's *finca*, Biel said, and hike back to his *casita* the next morning. My mind's eye recollected all the horrors of Jaime's murder.

"Not me," I said. "I'll sleep out here tonight."

It was easy to find two twisted pines on which to string up my camper's hammock but something made me reckless that night. I strung my hammock as close as possible to the edge of the cliff, close to the peaceful solitude of the sea. The world in which I had been immersed for the past few weeks was affecting my thinking. It seemed increasingly difficult to be "rational" in light of all I had seen and heard. Thoughts of *Los Bruxos* and their compelling ancient beliefs occupied my mind in the moments before I drifted into a deep, satisfying sleep.

Reluctantly emerging from my hammock the next morning, I noticed that Biel had spent the night under a tree. He too was scared of the past. Staring at my friend, I tried to understand the mysteries he represented. For the first time in our weeks together, I saw not a *Bruxo* but a very old man. I wished I had met him years earlier.

Today few villagers visit *Los Bruxos*. An occasional man or woman, usually old, hunched over and dressed in black, may struggle up the cobblestone path for help with a problem—or sometimes to laugh the night away with Biel and his companions. But most of the younger Majorcans are more interested in the latest video cassette movie. Biel and his fellow *Bruxos* remind the younger generation of a superstitious, ignorant past.

In the villagers' minds, *Los Bruxos*, if recognized at all, are no more than eccentrics to be humored. This is sad because Biel and the few remaining *Bruxos* are in touch with their island's traditions, their social and physical

surroundings as few Majorcans are today. In their time *Los Bruxos* were the last resort of the early Majorcan community. When people sought their help, *Los Bruxos* gave them hope, tried to help them fulfill their dreams.



WIGGLERS IN THE SNOW

By Dwight Whalen

ONE OF THE rarest, most puzzling creature-showers on record occurred long ago when an area of Lockport, N.Y., was deluged with worms. The following account, by a Lockport correspondent, appeared in the *Buffalo Sunday Courier* for January 13, 1878:

"The snowstorm which favored this city last Thursday night was accompanied by a singular phenomenon. During the day a drizzling rain prevailed, but in the course of the night the temperatures fell and the following morning the ground was covered with wet sloppy snow. Prof. A. B. Evans, principal of the Union School, was the first to discover that this snow differed from the ordinary article. In the morning, on coming out of his house which is situated in the extreme southeastern portion of the city, he noticed that the snow looked a little queer and at length picked up a handful of it and casually examined it

"[He] found to his surprise that a large proportion of what he held in his hand . . . consisted of worms The snow representing this peculiarity was found to cover a space of only a few hundred feet In a handful of this snow were to be found on an average from 15 to 25 worms, although occasionally as many as 50 could be counted. The total quantity must have been several bushels.

"The worms had much the appearance of those found in apples, though

they were generally rather larger. Their length ranged from one-fourth to nearly an inch and a half, and in color they were a sort of yellowish white. Their heads were black and their bodies fat, indicating . . . that they must have had plenty to eat, wherever they came from. They appeared to be dead and neither pricking nor heating them [elicited] any signs of life. Under the microscope, however, it could be seen that they had blood which circulated—or what answered for blood.

"With the disappearance of the snow by thawing, the worms lost their shapes, seemed to liquefy and soon entirely vanished. Prof. Evans saved some of them, however, for examination. This is believed to be the first fall of worms in snow on record"

Lockport wasn't the only western New York target of the slimy sky-worms. The *Batavia Times* had reported a day earlier: "A singular occurrence took place about eight o'clock Friday morning during a snowstorm. In the backyard of Mr. S. E. Hovey on School Street, and over several gardens adjoining him, a shower of light brown worms, alive, about half an inch long, fell in that locality and were thickly scattered over the new-fallen snow. Mr. H. brought us a basket of snow with the worms in it It is a most remarkable incident and naturally causes the inquiry as to where these little wigglers came from."

No. 10: HAUNTED

The entities that lurked in the apartment seemed harmless—until the terrifying night they attacked us.

By Christopher Dow

I CHUCKLED as I approached the steps leading to the second level of the small brick apartment complex in Houston. It was almost like a double *deja vu*, only this was neither false memory nor any sort of precognition; this was very real. Evening had fallen but the air of late summer was still heavy with heat and humidity. I didn't need to check the numbers on the door as I rang the bell for No. 10, a big grin on my face. I hoped Charles was home. What a surprise he was going to get!

My close friend Charles Roberts and I had shared experiences and late-night philosophy for two years until circumstances separated us. Now, two years later, in 1974, I had run into a mutual friend who knew where Charles was living. When this friend told me the address, I was taken aback—it was an apartment I had lived in briefly about three years earlier.

So here I was, visiting a familiar friend and a familiar habitat. The door opened and there Charles stood. His

eyes lit up as he recognized me and ushered me into the apartment.

We brought each other up to date and I learned that his present roommate was to move out by the end of the following week, leaving the second bedroom vacant. He asked if I was interested in moving in. Although I had recently moved into the apartment I now occupied, the prospect of sharing rooms with Charles more than offset my reluctance to pack up my belongings once more and trundle them across town. I agreed. Then I asked him if the apartment was still as weird as it once was. Looking puzzled, Charles asked what I meant.

I said I had once lived in this very apartment with Linda, whom he had known briefly, and at that time we had found swastikas and pentagrams roughly gouged into the wood of the closet doors.

I didn't really remember much about living in the apartment. It had been the first time I had lived in an intimate rela-

tionship with someone and we were often at odds with each other during the two months we lived there together. In fact, the only vivid memory I had of the place was of a few moments during the writing of a term paper for one of my university classes. I had found myself facing one of the living room walls, waking as if from a daze, clutching a sheaf of papers in my left hand and a pen in my right. It was almost as if I had awakened from sleepwalking, except that I had started out in the bedroom that served as my study, writing the paper instead of sleeping.

I remember how strange it felt suddenly to find myself standing there and realizing I had been wandering around the apartment for several hours in a benumbed state, scribbling my paper all the while. Instead of the required 10-page report I had written a 30-page opus of social and spiritual protest.

Charles and I looked at the doors. All but one must have been replaced, since they were free of marks. On the inside of that one, in Charles' bedroom, a swastika still remained.

A few days after reestablishing contact with Charles, I visited him at the apartment. We sat in the living room for a couple of hours, talking nonstop. At last I got up to go to the bathroom. The layout of the apartment was simple enough—two bedrooms, each at one end of a short hall, with the bathroom between them. The living-dining area was parallel with the bedrooms and the kitchen opened off the dining area. It was a nice-looking, average apartment, one of 10 in a complex that had been built in the late 1950's.

I came out of the bathroom, walked

into the living room and sat down. Charles wasn't in the room but from where I sat I could see part of one of the bedrooms. Someone, obviously Charles, was moving around in it. I thought that odd, because it was his roommate's bedroom, not his, but I shrugged it off and resumed our conversation where I had left off. Rather than raise my voice to yell into the other room, I got up and walked to the bedroom door to be able to talk more easily. As I entered the room, I stopped dead in my tracks, my sentence choked off. The room was empty!

With my mind doing a double take, I stepped back into the living room. As I did, Charles came out of the kitchen. Seeing the incredulous look on my face, he asked what was the matter.

I told him I had seen, or thought I had, someone in his roommate's room. No, it was definite. The more I thought about it, the more certain I was that someone had been in that room. It had been more than a flash. I had looked directly at the figure for at least 10 seconds, although most of that time it was partially out of my line of sight, obscured by the doorjamb. When Charles asked me to describe what I had seen, I didn't hesitate; Charles isn't one to scoff at the unknown.

It's strange how the mind can record an image even if the attention isn't focused on it at the time. When I had seen the figure in the bedroom, my attention had been on my conversation. Seeing movement in the room, I had naturally assumed it was Charles and really didn't pay attention until I found the room empty. But as I focused on my memory of the image, I wondered how I could have been so blind.

Charles is of average height for a male but this figure was only about four feet tall. Visually it was much like a three-dimensional shadow, dark at the center, lightening to a gray at the edges. It was humanoid in proportions, although no limbs were distinctly apparent. I realized also that I had gotten a few impressions that were not visual but on a "feeling" level. The first was of long, straight hair falling over the shoulders; the second was that it was a woman and the third was that she was lost and lonely.

I asked Charles if he had experienced anything unusual during his stay in the apartment. He said no, but that he had been living there only a short time and often wasn't home.

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IN THE RUSH of moving the following week I forgot the incident. Within two weeks I was fairly settled and life went smoothly as summer edged into early fall. I kept busy with work and the beginnings of the fall semester and when other odd things began happening, they barely registered at first.

One morning when I got up, the front door was standing wide open. I was immediately miffed at Charles who had come home after I retired and I spoke to him about the dangers of burglary and such. He said he thought he had closed and locked the door when he got home. I thought it more likely that he had shut the door, but not completely, and the wind had blown it open during the night.

But then, with increasing frequency over the next two or three months, we would wake to discover the door wide open. Many nights I would check the

door the last thing before going to bed and make certain it was securely shut and locked. Even so, many mornings it would be wide open, as often as three times a week.

About the time we realized there was definitely something odd about our front door, we began to hear noises around the apartment. The noises were mostly knockings or sounds of things falling. The sounds were neither loud nor violent but enough to draw attention. They also invariably took place in a room which was unoccupied at the time, although mostly they seemed to come from the living room. Never did we find a fallen object which could account for the sounds.

Then one night after I had been living in the apartment for two months, I was lying in bed reading. My room was the one in which I had seen the apparition but I didn't think much about that until I suddenly felt a presence enter the room, stand at the foot of my bed and look down at me. I thought then about the apparition but this thing now watching me didn't "feel" the same. This felt masculine and watchful, not feminine and lost.

I stared directly at, or through, it but could see nothing. The feeling persisted for several minutes and then was gone. I returned my attention to my book but not without vague sensations of paranoia.

I didn't mention the presence to Charles but we did talk more and more about the door's being open and about feelings of uneasiness in the apartment. We took to spending less and less time in the place and it soon got to be a shambles, with our possessions strewn all over the place.

During the next two months I was visited several times by the presence, which would come into the room, often while I was reading, stand at the foot of the bed and watch me. Several times I spoke to it, initially asking what it wanted. Later, though, it gave me such uneasy feelings that I would order it out. Usually it would go if I told it to.

One day my friend Ralph Palmer came over for a visit. Ralph, a pragmatic individual, has a strong sense of concrete reality and no belief in the supernatural. At the time he was a graduate student at the University of Houston.

We had been talking when suddenly he stared toward my bedroom and partly rose out of his chair, saying he had seen someone in my bedroom. I knew there was no one else in the apartment.

From Ralph's description I gathered he had seen the apparition I'd observed several months before: about four feet high, darkly shrouded, with no real features, standing at about the same place in the room where I had seen it. I now knew I hadn't been imagining it, but that didn't make me feel any better because I had to sleep in that room.

One night about a month after Ralph saw the apparition, Charles and I went to bed about the same time. I lay reading for some minutes before I became aware that the "male" presence had entered my room and was staring down at me. I laid my book facedown on my chest and stared directly at the space it seemed to occupy. Rather abruptly, because I was tired of these invasions of my privacy, I asked what it wanted.

Suddenly I felt transfixed and

paralyzed. A bar of vibrating coldness lanced diagonally through my brain, from the left hinge of my jaw to the upper right corner of my forehead. The "object" seemed to be the same diameter and length as an unused pencil and it felt gray and frigid as it buzzed and vibrated inside my head.

As this happened, I became aware of two things. The first was a distant babble of multitudinous voices. I hesitate to use the word demonic, for no words or ideas were clear, but there was an insanely confused quality to this subdued pandemonium. The second sensation was of a presence inside my brain. With a shock I realized it was holding me motionless, attempting to control me.

Terrified, I struggled to regain a grip on my mind. But even as the thing inside tried to pry me loose from my own moorings, I remembered a passage from a book on astral travel I had read a few years earlier. In this passage the author dispelled the fear that a disembodied spirit could take over a body whose spirit was traveling astrally. The author stated that a person's body was his own and couldn't be taken over unless he had decided that he was willing to have such a thing happen.

With this passage in mind I pressed my consciousness into its own seat and refused to budge. All the while I brought pressure to bear on the thing inside my head, forcing it out of me, mentally declaring, "This is *my* mind! Get out! Get out!"

Gradually the feeling that a presence was intruding into my mind slackened and faded entirely and I could move again. The buzzing cold-bar sensation continued for a number of minutes

longer; then it too waned, leaving a residual feeling that persisted for nearly an hour.

I checked the clock. Only about 30 or 40 minutes had elapsed since I had first lain down to read, which meant that the attack had lasted for about 15 minutes. I was shaken and afraid to sleep. Then I heard a noise somewhere else in the apartment. My bedroom door was closed, so I couldn't tell where it was coming from.

Afraid to get up and look but more afraid not to know, I rose and opened the door. Down the short hall Charles' door was shut and all was quiet. I went into the living room, half expecting the front door to be open, but it was shut and locked.

I started back to my room but something prompted me to check on Charles. Not wanting to wake him if he was asleep, I knocked softly on his door and called his name quietly. When he didn't respond, I knocked again and tried the knob.

His door was unlocked and as I opened it part way, light from the hall fanned across his floor. He was lying in a half fetal position, oddly with his head at the foot of the bed. His face was in shadow so I couldn't see it. I called out his name several times but he didn't move a muscle. Rationalizing that he was all right, I shut the door and returned to my room.

I was still uneasy but somehow didn't feel as if the thing were going to come back. At last exhaustion overtook me and I slept.

The next afternoon shortly after I arrived home from classes, Charles came home from work. Before I could say a word, he asked if I had noticed

anything unusual the night before. I asked him what he meant. He told me that just as he was on the verge of sleep, he had been attacked by an entity which had tried to take over his mind. He had heard an incessant babble of demonic voices, experienced paralysis and battled a presence which had tried to gain control over his body. He made a noise, trying to attract my attention, and had been dimly aware of my entering his room to check on him but was unable to move or speak to let me know he needed help. He thought it had taken him about an hour to fight it out of him.

Then I related my experience and together we pieced together what may have happened. A spirit of some sort had first attacked me. Because I was fully conscious, I had been able to fight it off. Then it turned on Charles who, being almost asleep, had been more vulnerable than I. Consequently he had a more difficult time defending himself.

We agreed that the spirit, while malevolent, had not been powerful enough to be really evil in the full sense of the word. It actually seemed weak, since I had fought it off with relative ease, and it had managed to get a hold on Charles only because he wasn't fully conscious. We wondered if the attack was related to the apparition, the open door or the noises but could come to no firm conclusions.

Needless to say, Charles and I decided to move. Within two weeks we were gone but the apartment was not through with us quite yet. For several more years we met people who had lived in that same apartment and although none had stories to tell, none had lived there longer than two or three months. In fact, during a four-year period, the

apartment had over 10 sets of tenants. Charles and I had lived there slightly over four months.

The day we moved, my girl friend came over to help. She arrived before I did and when I got there, she was

sitting on the steps and the door to the apartment was wide open. She said she found it that way. At first she had gone inside but soon came back out because the place made her feel uneasy. I wasn't surprised.



GENERAL SHERIDAN AND THE RATS

By Michael T. Shoemaker

ACCORDING to the ancient lore of mariners, rats will always abandon an unseaworthy ship. A ship without rats was thought to be fated to sink. Some people consider this a superstition but others attribute it to the rats' natural instincts or to a psychic "sixth" sense. In *Personal Memoirs of P. M. Sheridan*, the famous Civil War general related an incident that suggests the old-time sailors were right.

As a lieutenant serving in the Oregon Territory during the summer of 1856, Sheridan had to build a blockhouse at Yaquina Bay. The only suitable site was a Chinook Indian graveyard where the dead lay in canoes held aloft on forked poles. The Chinooks agreed to allow Sheridan's men to take down the canoes and set them adrift on the outgoing tide.

A great number of wood rats infested the canoes. Sheridan said, "We anticipated great fun watching the efforts of these rats to escape the next day when the canoes should be launched . . . and I therefore forbade any of the command to visit the graveyard in the

interim, lest the rats should be alarmed. I well knew they would not be disturbed by the Indians, who held the sacred spot in awe."

When the men returned in the morning, "strange as it may seem, not a rat was to be seen." They "instigated a thorough search" and found that the rats "had all disappeared."

Sheridan called the incident "mystifying," but the Chinooks had a ready explanation. "The Indians said that the rats understood Chinook and . . . as they had no wish to accompany the dead across the ocean to the happy hunting grounds, they took to the woods for safety."

That explanation was unacceptable in Sheridan's view so he concluded: "I have no doubt that the preceding visits . . . had so alarmed the rats that, impelled by their suspicious instincts, they fled a danger, the nature of which they could not anticipate, but which they felt to be nonetheless real and impending."

Where does "instinct" end and psychic sense begin?



TWO-HEADED SNAKE IS DOUBLE TROUBLE

UNIVERSITY of Mississippi Prof. Edmund Keiser didn't know what he was in for when he agreed to take in an eight-inch king snake with two heads. Keiser, chairman of the biology department, didn't anticipate that caring for the snake would be so time-consuming and frustrating. He told Associated Press a major task was simply getting the creature to eat because the snake can't decide which mouth, or head, to use.

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TIME STOOD STILL

By Art Guy

IT WAS 1971 and my wife Mary and I had just moved into our new apartment in Hollywood, Calif. When we had first looked at the apartment, we were pleased with the spaciousness, surprising because of the nominal rent. The apartment consisted of a kitchen, master bedroom and bath, living room and a small room just off the living room, which we chose to use as a study.

Almost as soon as our furniture had been delivered, we began to notice some peculiar things. We had placed our grandfather clock in the study. It had always kept near-perfect time. Much to our dismay, at 2:45 A.M. the clock stopped.

Soon we discovered that the clock would run perfectly until 2:45 A.M., at which time it always stopped. Our cat had free run of the apartment but refused to cross the imaginary line separating the living room and study.

When I talked with our neighbor who had lived in the building for years, he

told me that the previous tenant in our apartment had been a beautiful actress who was struggling to establish a career. Frequently she and her boy friend had loud arguments late at night. Our neighbor speculated that the cause was jealousy; the boy friend resented the late evenings she spent with people in the movie business.

Late one night he came to her apartment and a loud argument ensued. The



Mary and Art Guy

shouting continued for some time. Then suddenly all was silent. The young actress had been stabbed to death by her boy friend in what was now our study! It happened at exactly 2:45 A.M.

We lived in that apartment for three years and in that room, at 2:45 every morning, time stood still.—*Agoura, Calif.*

"STOP!"

By Sally Remaley

IN JUNE 1954, as my eight-year-old son Roger and I were driving through Indiana on our way to spend a summer in Quebec, darkness fell early and we drove into an extremely heavy rain-storm.

I was tempted to pull off and wait out the storm but realized everything around us was so black that I could no longer tell where the side of the road was or what was out there.

As I gradually slowed down, trying to keep from skidding on the rain-slick thoroughfare and straining to see something—anything—in the intense blackness, Roger suddenly shouted, in a voice completely unlike his own, "Stop!"

His voice was so loud and commanding that I slammed down hard on the brake and came to an immediate stop. To my amazement the car did not slide.

Then I almost fainted as people suddenly came running to us from all directions out of the blackness.

Someone opened the car door on my side. "Oh, thank God you're still alive," he said. "If you'd gone one inch farther —"

Dazed, I struggled out of the car as a kind man took my arm, then shone a flashlight on the scene in front of us.

A huge oil truck had stopped right in our path in the middle of the large unlighted intersection. Our car had stopped literally one inch from it.

The truck driver appeared. "I can't believe it," he said breathlessly. "Are you okay? Both of you? You're sure? I thought I was going to hit you and I couldn't stop in time. Lucky you did!"

Amid a deluge of congratulations on still being alive, we backed slowly away from the huge truck and edged into the driveway of a roadside restaurant which was closed for the night. I wasn't about to drive any farther that night.

As the hubbub subsided, Roger and I snuggled into blankets we'd brought and I asked him, "How did you happen to see the truck and yell at me to stop just in time to save our lives? And your voice—why, it didn't even sound like you, honey."

"Mama, it wasn't me at all," Roger said. "I didn't even see the truck. It was a voice inside me that just came out real loud. I don't know who it was."—*Bradenton, Fla.*

LIFESAVING LIGHT

By Sharon Cooper

IN 1968 MY husband Bernard was working the night shift at a factory 20 miles away in Big Rapids, Mich. As my two-year-old son Will slept soundly in his bedroom, some friends and I sat on the front porch of our home in Rodney idly watching the cars go by. It was around midnight and I was waiting for my husband to get off work.

Our house sat next to Highway M-20, with only a row of houses on either side and a bar at the corner. The town also had a gas station and garage and that was it.



Sharon Cooper

Suddenly I saw a brilliant light at the side of the road in front of the house. It seemed to be the size of a Christmas tree but it was so bright that I could hardly look at it.

My friends and I stared at it for a few minutes. Then a car came weaving down the road. It seemed out of control, as if a drunk were behind the wheel. We all watched as the light and the car seemed to meet.

But they didn't. As the car got right to the light, we expected a collision. Instead the car went off to the other side of the road to avoid hitting the light. We were relieved to see the car zigzag away. Then the light was gone.

The sight had been so strange that we wondered if we were imagining things. We walked to the spot where the light had been and there—to our utter astonishment and horror—we found my two-year-old son! Somehow he had gotten out the back door and wandered out to the side of the road while we adults were sitting in front counting cars.

What was the light? We don't know.

But we do know that it saved a little boy's life.—*Cadillac, Mich.*

DOUBLE-DUTY DREAM

By Mary Bramer Harrison

I ALWAYS thought of dreams as bonus bits of information which emerge from the unconscious to help solve a currently active problem. But after a personal experience a couple of years ago I have broadened my view of these slumber visions.

My enlightenment began on May 2, 1983. On that day I woke in a panic from a vivid and painful dream in which I was involved in an automobile accident as I was making a left turn. After impact I found myself looking down on a demolished car which I recognized as my son Scott Harrison's 1979 white Chevy Monza. As I looked incredulously at the crumpled car, I heard a familiar male voice in the distance say, "No one was hurt."

One week later, on May 8, when Scott called me from Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, I cautioned him to be careful even though to my knowledge I had never experienced precognition in a dream.

Two weeks after our conversation, on May 23, Scott's car collided with a 1954 red Ford LTD as he was making a left turn off Southwest Military Drive in San Antonio. His car was demolished.

"You predicted my accident two weeks before it happened," Scott said. "I'm just thankful that no one was hurt."

Although it appeared that my dream had foretold his accident, I didn't understand why he, not I, was the driver of the unfortunate vehicle. If my dream had indeed predicted an actual future



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event, why wasn't I driving the car?

On the morning of August 16, 1983, I had a strange dream about an unidentified old model car standing in the driveway. The door on the driver's side opened and closed as if someone were getting into the car but the driver was invisible.

I discussed this odd dream with my husband Forrest at breakfast. One hour later, at 8:00 A.M., while driving to work on Albany Avenue in Hartford, Conn., I crashed into a 1975 Ford Mustang. It happened as I was making a left turn in my 1979 blue Century Buick, the day after my son had returned to San Antonio after visiting us. Luckily neither the driver of the other car nor I was injured. But my car was damaged extensively.

While my car was being repaired, I was loaned a 1976 Mercury Bobcat—an old model car like the one in my dream. I realized then that the phantom driver in my recent dream was none other than me!

After I recovered from the shock of my accident, my original dream began to make better sense to me. I saw it, at

last, as one dream containing incomplete pictures of two separate events. It included the action part of my accident and it hinted that my son would have a similar accident while making a left turn. It projected a picture of my son's car after his accident and it broadcast his words that "no one was hurt."

I am now convinced that some dreams forecast probable future events or fragments of those events and that there are economies in some dreams—for example, one dream may do the work of two. I believe my accident dream was one of those double-duty dreams.—*West Hartford, Conn.*

SOMETHING STOPPED ME

By William Barker

EARLY ONE MORNING in the summer of 1977, at about two o'clock, I was driving my 1976 Plymouth Voyager van back from Manchester to Concord, N.H. I was traveling at 70 mph. My self-appointed copilot Victoria was awake as usual making sure I stayed awake and alert while the other three of my children were asleep.

For no reason my foot came off the gas pedal and hit the brake pedal. The car started to slow down rapidly.

Victoria asked, "Why are we stopping, Dad?"

In a detached voice I said, "I don't know."

The car continued to slow down until the left front tire blew out with such force that it wrenched the car to the left-hand gutter.

Why I stopped—or what stopped me—I'll never know. I do know that if that tire had gone when we were moving at 70 mph all of us surely would have been killed.—*Concord, N.H.*

MY PROOF OF SURVIVAL

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HONEY

By Janice Baker

HONEY was a very special dog. Mixed cocker spaniel and golden retriever, she would look at one with her beautiful amber eyes, slowly wag her long feathery tail and melt one's heart. She and little Robby, my son, were inseparable companions on our small farm in eastern Kentucky, nine miles from Jackson.

Honey's bird dog instinct was strong, although we'd never trained her or hunted with her. One summer day we were sitting on the front porch when she brought us a tiny sparrow which had evidently fallen from its nest. Carrying it gently in her mouth, she proudly laid it before us. We fed and raised the helpless little bird until it was mature enough to fly away into the wild.

Honey appointed herself guardian of all the animals and fowl on our farm. She followed the chickens as they scratched for bugs and if they wandered too far into the woods she would round them up and herd them back to the

barnyard. She paced the creek bank and watched the ducks to make sure they were safe.

In the summer she slept outdoors but she still preferred being close to her family. She slept on the porch near my bedroom window. Each night I would hear her plop down below my window, heave a long sigh and fall asleep—no doubt secure in the knowledge she was near and protecting us.

Oftentimes I would awaken during



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the night to hear her nails clicking across the porch as she returned from a reconnoiter of the farm. I'd hear a soft thud as she again settled below my window.

Robby was eight years old the summer of 1970. He loved to roam the woods and hillsides of our farm. I never worried about the long hours he spent there because Honey always went with him and I knew she was taking care of him.

One morning he walked down the long lane to our mailbox. Just as he reached the road, our neighbor's dog raced out of their yard and Honey ran to meet him. They met in the middle of the road. At the same time a huge truck came roaring down the highway. Robby stood transfixed, unable to speak, as the scene unfolded before him. The truck hit both of the dogs.

Robby was inconsolable. He blamed himself saying, "If I'd called her, she'd have come back." I told him I doubted very much that calling would have helped. Honey was intent on greeting the other dog and probably would have been oblivious to his calls.

That night I allowed him to sleep in my room because he was so distraught. The night was very quiet, as only a country night can be, and I was aware of Robby's muffled crying. Suddenly his crying stopped and we both listened intently as we heard Honey walk across the porch. Then came the familiar thump as she lay down. We heard her sigh as she stretched out to sleep.

For three nights Honey returned to her place on the porch and then she came no more.

I couldn't explain it but Robby was sure she was coming back to let him know she still loved him and he wasn't

to blame himself for her death—*Salt Lake City, Utah.*

GOOD-BYE AGAIN

By Marguerite Elsbeth Chandler

PRIOR TO the vicious onset of Calvin's illness, we had rarely spoken of death, the afterlife or Calvin's religious persuasions, although I knew from our having lightly touched upon these matters that he was both stubborn and skeptical—as typically bullheaded as his May 10, 1953, birthdate suggests. He was well aware, however, of my interest in astrology, the tarot and mental healing. Therefore, during the month of August 1983 when he entered New York Hospital for what was to be the last time, we began to discuss these things in depth. His curiosity had grown along with the progression of his cancer.

While Calvin clung to life, comatose for the last week that seemed an eternity, I continued these metaphysical conversations with him mentally, having read that the closer a person is to abandoning the physical body, the more acutely defined is his extrasensory



Marguerite Elsbeth Chandler

perception. I also asked him to give me some sign of his passing as proof to us both that indeed he would live again in the hereafter. In my mind, I felt his willing assent.

On the morning of September 15 I was waked at two o'clock by a voice calling my name from very far away.

"Marguerite," it called. "Here I am! Don't you see me? I'm free! I'm free!"

As I sat up in bed I saw a strong and healthy Calvin floating in a sea of shining white light. Unnerved, I told him to follow the source of that light. Within moments the apparition disappeared and I fell back into an uneasy sleep.

After arising later that morning I immediately told my husband John Werner of this incident. As I was speaking the telephone rang; it was Calvin's closest friend Chris calling to tell us that Calvin had died at 2:00 A.M. Calvin had made it his business to let me know of his passing, but proof of his continued existence was not to end there.

Whenever Calvin had visited our home he had loved to listen to music. Because of the small size of our apartment, we hang the stereo speakers from the ceiling. Later that afternoon, as John and I discussed Calvin's spiritual visit to me following his death, the speaker under which I was sitting began to sway. A presence seemed to fill the living room, along with the delicate aroma of frankincense. The scent seemed stronger near the door into the outside hallway. I followed the odor into the basement where we maintain a tiny office and storage space. Hesitantly I opened the door and nearly fell back on my heels! The little room was illu-

minated with the most brilliant light I have ever seen. The air hung heavy with the haze and fragrance of frankincense and in the midst of it all sat Calvin!

Nothing more happened during the rest of that week. On September 23 John and I and several of Calvin's close friends attended Calvin's funeral and burial service. As summer turned to fall, so Calvin passed from this life to the next, leaving us with our cherished memories of him and the valuable knowledge that death is not an end but the beginning of a new life.

But before leaving this earth for possibly the last time Calvin left us one more sign. He had loved to play football and felt bad when his illness prevented him from playing the game any longer. So how did his well-worn pigskin appear on the stairway of the building in which he had lived on the morning after he was buried? It had been put away for many months. Was it that Calvin could not resist one more not-so-final good-bye?—*New York, N. Y.*

NAMESAKE

By Lilli Lee Buck

"MY LITTLE namesake, my little namesake."

This was what my grandmother Lillie Pollard Adair used to say as she beamed fondly down at me, a small child playing on her living room floor. Since I was her namesake, I believe she loved me the best of all her five grandchildren. We were very close. My family went to see her and Granddaddy Arthur Adair every summer at their beautiful wooded estate in Dun Loring, Va.

But one day before my sixth birthday, in 1956, the sad news came that my

grandmother was dead. How short a time we children knew her—but in that short time she taught us to love nature and to sing a song called “Those Grand Old Trees.” How she would have loved to live and watch us grow.

Throughout my childhood and teenage years I had a recurring dream in which I would hear a knocking at my second-story window. I would open the window, go outside and find myself



Lilli Lee Buck

always in the same scene: a small semicircle of trees where Grandmother stood just out of sight. All was bathed in moonlight. Amid the grass many small flowers grew and I would sit on the grass and play with them, while Grandmother happily watched. Finally she would say, “It’s time for you to go back now, Lilli,” and I would go back again.

Then an even stranger thing happened on my 20th birthday, February 25, 1970. I was sitting in my dorm room at the College of William and Mary when all of a sudden I felt the presence of my

grandmother. I seemed to be hearing a voice saying, “Why do you sit and dream your time away? Why aren’t you *studying*?” I had been so indifferent a college student that I had even lost my scholarship.

A few days later I received a letter from my mother Edith Buck in the mail. Inside it was an old letter from Grandmother. It said, “Dearest Lilli, my little namesake, I am sending you a check for \$25 for your fifth birthday. But I want you to save it to go to college. Some day, a long time from now, you will be in college and I want you to remember why I sent you this money, and never forget the value of a college education. Love, Grandmother.”

A few days later my mother called and I asked her why she sent that letter. She said that on my birthday she had a sudden feeling of Grandmother in the room and it was as if a voice had told her to rummage through the old safe. There she found the message for me.

I took Grandmother’s advice and went on to graduate from college in 1972. I made the dean’s list my last two semesters.

In 1974 I returned to northern Virginia and looked up my cousin Carolyn Bruce. We decided to go out to Grandmother’s old place. Nothing had changed there in 18 years. Everything was just the same.

I started to ramble around the estate, behind the barbecue pit and back in the woods. I saw some strange little flowers and I knelt to look at them. Suddenly I looked up and saw a scene I knew from many dreams: a small semicircle of trees. I had come to be with Grandmother one more time.—*Williamsburg, Va.*

WHEEL OF FORTUNE

by Paul Steiner

Tears carry so much information about body chemistry and are so easy to collect that scores of researchers have long believed that tears would one day replace blood and urine samples in all kinds of laboratory tests, Dava Sobel writes in *Omni*. That promise has never materialized because the simple act of collecting tears sets off a reaction that changes their makeup.

Dr. Peter Kastl of the Tear Analysis Laboratory at Tulane Medical School in New Orleans explains: "You have what we call basal tears in your eyes all the time for lubrication. But the minute you get a punch in the nose or start to cry or let me try to collect your tears, another kind of tears, called reflex tears, dilutes the basal tears, and the composition of the two is different."

Many a songwriter has evoked tears and sighs by comparing changing autumn leaves to man's aging. If plant biologist Kenneth Thimann of the University of California-Santa Cruz is right, the comparison has a strong basis in hard science, according to an *Omni* report. Thimann suggests that the same process is responsible for changing leaf color and the wrinkling of human skin. In plants, he explains, the process begins with a shift to what is called negative nitrogen balance, a phenomenon that

occurs when leaves lose more nitrogen than they are able to take in. The aging body excretes more nitrogen than it can manufacture from food.

On the set of the popular TV show *Benson*, guest star James Solmack, 65, collapsed and died of a heart attack just as he was preparing to rehearse a scene in which Solmack was to play a plumber who dies of a heart attack.

Joseph Errico, 12, and his brother Peter, 10, were riding their bicycles in Franklin Square on Long Island when Joe fell off his bike and into some bushes. While dusting himself off he saw something shiny and picked it up. It was a gold bar estimated to be worth \$10,000 to \$12,000.

In Missoula, Mont., Larry Vandecar was showing off his tropical fish when a "pet" piranha clamped onto his middle finger. After he had seven stitches at a local hospital, he sheepishly explained, "All I wanted to show was how friendly these pets are."

Because Christopher Ladlow and his wife had little to say to each other in their middle years, it took Mrs. Ladlow four days to realize her husband was dead in their London home.

THE MAD GASSER OF BOTETOURT

As a phantomlike attacker terrorizes a county, the authorities cannot decide whether he even exists.

By Michael T. Shoemaker

THE STRANGE ASSAULTS began near Haymakertown in Botetourt* County, Virginia, on December 22, 1933. At 10 o'clock that evening Mrs. Cal Huffman grew nauseated after

smelling a peculiar gas which apparently had been sprayed into their house. She went to bed soon afterwards but her husband stayed up in case the culprit returned.

Half an hour later another "wave of gas" filled the room. Huffman went to

*Pronounced BOT-a-TOT.



First victims of Botetourt County's "mad gasser" were the Huffman family of Haymakertown, Va. The attacker struck three times in one night, filling both floors of the house with a strange gas which caused illness and paralysis.

his landlord K. W. Henderson, on whose farm the Huffman family resided, and phoned for Officer Lemon, who arrived at midnight and stayed for an hour. Immediately after he left, a third attack struck both floors of the house. The whole Huffman family of eight and young Ashby Henderson were severely gassed. Ashby and Cal had been keeping watch and they "thought they saw a man running away"* after the attack.

The gas was said to induce extreme nausea, headaches and facial swelling and to cause the mouth and throat muscles "to constrict and become semirigid." Alice, the Huffmans' 19-year-old daughter, appears to have been the most seriously affected of all the gasser's victims. Dr. S. F. Driver had to use artificial respiration to revive her and she experienced convulsions for a long time afterward. Six weeks later the *Richmond Times-Dispatch* reported Dr. Driver's opinion that "while her semihysterical condition is partially due to extreme nervousness, there is no doubt that the gas attack is responsible for her continuing condition."

No one could determine, however, what kind of gas had been used. Dr. W. N. Breckinridge, who aided Lemon's investigation, ruled out ether, chloroform and tear gas. He said the effects suggested "chicken gas," an anesthetic used by chicken thieves. (A search of slang and poison references has failed to identify this term.)

Lemon found only one clue: the print of a woman's heel beneath the window through which the attacker was believed to have sprayed the gas. But Lemon was

sure he would catch the "perpetrators" soon. (Everyone assumed the woman was merely the gasser's accomplice.)

The next attack took place in nearby Cloverdale. Clarence Hall, his wife and two young children came home at about 9:00 P.M. from a Christmas Eve church service. Five minutes after their return, they noticed a peculiar odor. Hall went to a back room to investigate but came staggering back. His wife, also feeling ill and weak, had to drag him out to the porch. Mrs. Hall experienced eye irritation for the next two days.

Dr. Breckinridge again assisted the investigation. This time he said, "This gas tasted sweet," and reported that "a trace of formaldehyde was discernible," but he was unable to say exactly what the gas was. The only other clue was the fact that "a nail had been drawn the night before" from a window.

The Hall family spent two nights with Mrs. Hall's mother. Relatives who knew nothing of their absence came visiting at 8:20 P.M. on Christmas. As they arrived, they blew their horn. Suddenly they noticed a "flashlight" near the window with the missing nail. They did not get out to investigate.

It is not clear whether "flashlight" refers to a beam or to a light that they assumed came from a flashlight. But the appearance of the light when the horn sounded is not what would be expected from a prowler. Perhaps because this incident suggested a burglar, Mrs. Hall later recalled that during the previous summer a door lock had been broken and the house entered, although nothing was stolen. These incidents seemed to reinforce a police theory that the gassings were caused by boys playing pranks.

*All unattributed quotes are from the *Roanoke Times* and the *Richmond Times-Dispatch*.

A. L. Kelly, a Troutville welder, and his mother were attacked on the night of December 27. A man and a woman in a 1933 Chevrolet coach were seen to pass Kelly's house several times about the time of the attack and a partial license number was obtained. Twelve days later, however, the police still had not located the car.

Since the victims had not been connected in any way, the police decided that revenge was not the motive. They also found that no chemicals had been sold in the area recently. But authorities were still confident that they were close to catching the culprits.

The attacks ceased for two weeks. Then on January 10 the gasser struck Homer Hylton's home near Pleasantdale Church, close to Haymakertown. Hylton and his wife were asleep upstairs and their daughter Mrs. Moore, whose traveling-salesman husband was away, was sleeping downstairs. While attending her baby at about 10:00 P.M., Mrs. Moore heard mumbling voices from the yard and the rattle of the window shade. As the room filled with gas, she clutched her child and ran out while "experiencing a marked feeling of numbness."

The windowpane that the gasser supposedly used had had a small piece broken out for some time. We might theorize that the wind had simply scared Mrs. Moore, if it were not for the voices which do not appear to be imaginary because a neighbor, G. E. Poage, said that his family had also heard voices at about the same time.

G. D. Kinzie of Troutville was attacked that same night. This case was not reported till later but Dr. Driver, who investigated, "was convinced

chlorine gas was used in that instance." Chlorine was frequently mentioned in subsequent accounts until eventually a Roanoke chemistry professor ruled it out.

After another hiatus F. B. Duval's home near Bonsack was gassed on the night of the 16th. Duval went to summon Officer Lemon. On the road to Cloverdale at the Colon road intersection he saw a man run to a parked car and speed away. Duval and Lemon spent several hours that night vainly searching for the car. The next day Lemon "found prints of a woman's shoes" where the car had been parked. The episode may have involved nothing but an illicit affair, although an assignment in a car on a cold winter night does not seem likely.

The next assault occurred in Carvin's Cove near Cloverdale on January 19. Mrs. Campbell, the wife of a former judge, was sitting at the window at 7:30 P.M. when she saw the shade move, smelled the gas and got sick.

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THE WAVE OF mysterious gassings reached a peak with five apparent attacks in three nights.

On January 21 Howard Crawford and his wife returned to their home between Cloverdale and Troutville at nine o'clock. Crawford went inside to light a lamp but soon staggered out as the gas overwhelmed him. Dr. Driver again said that the gas was chlorine, this time because he had smelled the "faint lingering odor." About this time Lemon and Deputy Sheriff Zimmerman discovered the crank of an old model automobile. This clue was useless, however, because it was too common an object to be traced.

Three separate attacks were said to have occurred in Carvin's Cove on the 22nd. The gasser covered two miles between 8:00 and 9:00 P.M. Moving southward from the top of the cove, the gasser attacked in sequence the homes of Ed Reedy, George C. Riley and Raymond Etter. Simultaneous numbness and nausea were almost immediately induced in the victims. Riley called his brother, a Roanoke police lieutenant, who quickly organized a blockade of the cove road. Although the gasser eluded capture, Lieutenant Riley said, "One of Mr. Etter's sons sighted a figure disappearing from the direction of the house, gave chase and opened fire at a distance of about 30 yards."

The next day, though, it was said that only Reedy's house had been attacked and that Reedy's son, not Etter's, shot at the fleeing figure, who apparently escaped uninjured. The confusion was attributed to a "misunderstanding," but one wonders whether the authorities were not actually trying to stifle an epidemic of reports. Significantly, a report on the 27th again said that "several" houses had been gassed.

On the 23rd Mrs. R. H. Hartsell and her family spent the night with a neighbor. When they returned to their home near Pleasantdale Church at 4:30 A.M., they found that their house had been gassed. They also noted that someone had piled brush against their door during the night.

This string of new gassings terrorized and angered the community. Isolated families spent their nights with relatives or neighbors. Farmers armed with shotguns patrolled the roads or stood guard at home all night. In its first editorial on the subject the *Roanoke*

Times expressed confidence that the gassers would be caught and pleaded with farmers not to shoot at suspects. Although the Associated Press had reported the gasser story from the beginning, only now did its dispatches get some slight attention outside Virginia. One dispatch was even published in the *New York Times* (January 22).

The gassings had a historic effect on state law. Virginia General Assembly delegates M. K. Morgan, W. H. Scott and Blair Fishburn introduced a bill that made illegal gassing a felony punishable by one to 10 years in prison or a \$500 fine. The bill, introduced on January 24, was passed six days later.

The new attacks also convinced police that mischievous boys were not the culprits. Botetourt County Sheriff C. E. Williamson said, "If it had been the work of boys, they would have been captured long ago." The police thought a maniac might be responsible, perhaps a gas victim from World War I.

The gasser may have been foiled in one attempted attack. At 9:00 P.M. on January 25, when Chester Snyder's dog started barking, Snyder "jumped out of bed and grabbed his shotgun . . . ran across his yard and fired at a man creeping along a ditch 20 feet from the house," according to the *Alexandria Gazette*. Snyder dashed inside to get more ammunition but the prowler was gone when he returned.

Deputy Sheriff Zimmerman investigated and found footprints that led from the road to the ditch. Evidence in the ditch indicated that the prowler had hidden behind a tree for some time. More footprints led from the tree toward the house and stopped, indicating the point at which the prowler

had retreated. Visitors who had left Snyder's Cloverdale home shortly before the incident reported that they had seen a man half a mile away on the Colon road. This prowler may have been nothing more than an ordinary burglar or hobo, of course, but one wonders whether such persons would continue to frequent a terrified community where they risked being shot on sight.

Ed Stanley of Cloverdale was the only victim to be attacked twice on separate nights. The first attack occurred between eight and nine o'clock on the 28th. Stanley, his wife and three other adults were affected. Frank Guy, a hired hand, ran outside immediately and saw four men fleeing toward the Blue Ridge Mountains. He went back inside to get his gun. When he returned, he could no longer see them but he could hear their voices in the woods. He fired in the direction of the voices without apparent effect.

The gasser struck again two nights later. This time Stanley heard some noise at the window before the attack, but no other details were reported.

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FOR THE FIRST time some citizens were expressing doubt that the attacker or attackers existed. At a meeting of the County Board of Supervisors several speakers suggested that the "gasser" was imaginary. But after Dr. Driver and Dr. Breckinridge both testified to the authenticity of the physical effects, the board authorized a \$500 reward for the gasser's capture and conviction.

The newspapers and the police did not question the gasser's reality. The *Virginian-Pilot* admonished the skeptics

in an editorial titled "Not Laughing Gas," while the police interviewed suspects in Roanoke.

The last seemingly authentic gassing occurred in Nace, two miles from Troutville, on February 3. A. P. Scaggs, his wife and five other adults were all severely affected. The symptoms were so pronounced on this occasion that Sheriff Williamson told the skeptics, "No amount of imagination in the world could make people as ill as the Scaggses are."

This was the most spectacular attack since the Huffman case. It was as if the gasser had wanted specially to mark his entrance and exit with large attacks. Another similarity to the Huffman case was that the victims believed three separate assaults occurred between 8:00 and 9:00 P.M. But Lemon thought that gas lingering near the ceiling had caused what appeared to be subsequent attacks.

Three peculiar incidents make the Scaggs case especially interesting. After the attack but before any curious neighbors arrived, Scaggs reportedly saw "a light similar to a flashlight" outside. This recalls the light seen after the attack on the Hall home.

The two other incidents were reported in the *Roanoke Times* and also *spontaneously* told to me when I interviewed a 66-year-old relative of A. P. Scaggs. On the night of the attack—after Lemon had arrived—one of Scaggs' nephews was alone in a room. Suddenly he shouted, "Gas!" and ran out of the room. But instead of running through the door that led outside, he accidentally ran into an adjoining room and believed he was "trapped." Although this sounds like hysteria, the nephew insisted he was not easily scared and that some-

thing very strange had really happened to him.

The third incident casts considerable doubt on hysteria as an explanation. As Lemon continued his investigation at the Scaggs house the next day, one of the children came in crying that the dog was dying. Lemon went out and saw the dog rolling over and over in the snow. He recognized that this is how dogs act when a skunk has sprayed them, but in this case no skunk odor was apparent. My informant told me that this highly trained dog was sick and paid no attention to commands for some time afterwards.

During the following week more than 20 attacks were reported in nearby Roanoke County. There was a flurry of reports in Lexington, about 30 miles away. While a few of these later "attacks" may have been genuine, most were exaggerated reactions to ordinary odors or the result of hoaxes perpetrated by pranksters.

In one hoax a teenager threw a bottle of insecticide into a woman's kitchen. A similar incident on February 9 provided an excuse for police and newspapers to declare the gasser mystery over. When his home near Lithia was gassed, J. G. Shafer scooped up some discolored snow containing a sweet-smelling oily substance. An analysis determined that the sample contained sulfur, arsenic and mineral oil, "commonly used in insecticide sprays." As a result, an editorial in the *Roanoke Times* concluded that there was no Roanoke gasser, although it still conceded that the Botetourt gasser was "undoubtedly" real. Ironically, the Shafer case was one of the more mysterious ones. Police found footprints leading from the porch

to the barn but no trail led away from the barn. And once again, a "woman's tracks" led from the yard to the road.

The later cases led the general public to conclude that "faulty flues" and nervousness had caused the whole affair, although Officer Lemon never accepted this explanation. But as it happened, these cases served to discredit the hysteria theory as an explanation for the earlier events because they did not conform to the earlier pattern. The hysteria cases occurred outside the original area, at a wide variety of times (whereas most of the genuine attacks happened at approximately 8:00 to 9:00 P.M.), and resulted in no substantive physical effects.

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BY MY COUNT there were at least 16 genuine cases (including Riley, Etter and Snyder) involving 43 or more victims. These were distributed fairly evenly over the days of the week, with peaks on Sunday through Wednesday. Contrary to what we might expect from hysteria, successive attacks generally jumped from one locale to another. In other words, neighbors did *not* infect each other with hysteria.

Natural explanations, such as industrial pollution or "faulty flues," are clearly inadequate when one examines all the factors: selectivity, a preferred time, voices, fleeing figures and the exhaustive police investigation. The prankster/maniac theories are no better. The gasser's ability to escape without leaving any useful clues behind—not even the identity of the gas—is most uncanny.

If the activities of the Botetourt gasser sound familiar, it is because a similar series of incidents occurred in Mattoon,

Ill., 10 years later.* It was the extraordinary parallel between the two events that caused FATE to ask me to undertake this investigation.

In both Mattoon and Botetourt the principal physical effects were the same: a sickeningly sweet odor, nausea, paralysis, facial swelling and unconsciousness. These effects were confirmed by doctors and, moreover, in both cases doctors smelled the gas. Both gassers made repeat attacks on one family, multiple attacks in one night and assaults on unoccupied houses. The pattern of explanation was also similar, progressing from pranksters to lunatics to hysteria. Tantalizing but useless clues were found: a skeleton key and lipstick tube in Mattoon; a license number and crank handle in Botetourt; and in both places *a woman's heel print beneath a window*. The gasser was heard at the window and was seen fleeing more than once in both Mattoon and Botetourt. And women were the predominant victims in both cases, although to a much lesser extent in the Botetourt incidents.

The differences are also significant because they strengthen the argument against the hysteria theory. The Mattoon events were susceptible to being interpreted as hysteria largely because sensationalistic journalism had heightened public fear. By contrast, the Boutetourt gassings remained page-two news until the time of the first Roanoke attacks. The papers refrained from sensationalism throughout the affair.

Hysteria can be suspected in Mattoon also because of the massive clustering of reports, and the mix of genuine cases with false alarms, all in a two-week period. But in Boutetourt the genuine attacks covered a 43-day period, were generally sporadic and inspired no simultaneous false alarms. In addition, the large number of male victims in Botetourt casts doubt on the charge that "hysterical females" were the cause of the Mattoon incidents.

Differences in time and location point to the universality of the phenomenon. The Botetourt gassings happened in winter instead of summer, so they cannot be blamed on the "silly season." The attacks came in the evening hours, instead of repeating Mattoon's early morning pattern, and none of the Botetourt victims were attacked while asleep, thus eliminating any suspicion of hypnagogic hallucinations. Botetourt's rural setting removes any blame from the stress of city life. It also allowed the victims to take direct action (such as shooting at mysterious prowlers), which should have reduced the frustrations that can lead to hysteria.

The Botetourt gassings show how easily bizarre events are forgotten by the world at large. My informant told me that old-timers regard the gassings as one of the most memorable episodes in the county's history. As for the cause, they all attribute the gassings to a "practical joker," possibly a student from nearby Hollins College.

But for Special Officer Lemon, it was much more than that. To him it was "the most mysterious thing in the world."

*See "The Mad Gasser of Mattoon" by Jerome Clark and Loren Coleman, February 1972 FATE.



THE RACCOONS WHO CAME TO DINNER

In a time of desperate need
a miracle of human-animal
communication occurred.

By Ann Druffel

IN AUGUST 1956 my husband Charles and I moved our growing family from a mid-Los Angeles apartment to a hilly area in Eagle Rock, Calif. We both favored living in the hills rather than on flatlands of cement and blacktop.

Our new home on the rim of the San Gabriel Valley was in a wooded canyon which, though partially built up, still had a natural runoff stream during winter rains and much unimproved acreage with native flora and fauna. Wild trees, bushes and other tangled vegetation were abundant. Although this small canyon was surrounded on three sides by heavily populated cities, wild animals shared our hills—coyotes, rabbits, squirrels, opossums, raccoons and birds of all kinds, including jays, ravens, woodpeckers and thrushes.

For the most part the wild animals kept to themselves and we caught

glimpses of them only occasionally. A single jay, quickly named Mr. Blue Jay by our two older daughters, was bold enough to perch in nearby trees and entertain our little girls with raucous cries.

Southern California weather generally is mild and pleasant even during summer. During the three hottest months of July, August and September the daytime temperature usually ranges from 80 to 90 degrees. At certain periods, however, the heat will unexpectedly "set records"; then there will be extended periods of a week or more when the thermometer soars above 100 at the Los Angeles Civic Center and reaches a blazing 105 to 115 degrees for several days at a time in the outlying valleys.

It was during such a streak of hot weather that a remarkable incident occurred. On September 28, 1963, at about 10:45 P.M., we were sitting in the living room of our hillside home,

watching television and trying to ignore the heat. The high that day had been 107 degrees and the thermometer still hovered around 100 degrees. The four days before had been nearly as hot and our house, unlike the houses of some of our more affluent neighbors, had no air conditioning or swimming pool. We were tired of the heat and our nerves were wearing thin. Our daughters, who now had multiplied to four, were sound asleep.

Suddenly, over the din of canned laughter from a TV sitcom, we heard a scratching at our front door which faced onto an acre of tangled wildwood west of our home. Thinking it was a neighbor's dog, we ignored the noise. The scratching persisted and after a minute or two I opened the door to see what was causing the sound.

To my astonishment I saw a large raccoon standing less than two feet from me, gazing intently into my eyes. She showed no fear, only an air of caution as she beseeched me silently with her large brown eyes. I looked beyond her in the faint glow which our dim indoor lighting cast on our darkened porch.

Several feet away I saw, positioned on the edge of the shallow steps which led to our driveway—and, beyond that, to the wild acreage—three small raccoons which could not have been more than a few months old. They were clustered on the broad stairs, poised as if ready to flee on a signal from the large raccoon. There was an air of expectancy and urgency about them—an attitude they seemed to have picked up from the large raccoon which apparently was their mother.

I called softly to Charlie to come and see what was on the porch. When he

came to the door and peered out, his surprise matched mine. Together we gazed at the mother raccoon. At least one foot high and two feet long, she was as big as a fair-sized dog. Never had we seen a raccoon so close and so unafraid. We had seen raccoons in our area but they had always scampered off as if unwilling to have anything to do with human beings.

The mother raccoon looked steadily and intensely at us. Even in her urgent plea she never lost her air of caution. She kept looking toward the three small babies and then back at us.

Charlie and I both suddenly realized that the mother raccoon was telling us that the intense heat of the past four days was affecting her babies adversely. We thought of food and water, especially water; our streambed had been dry for months. Charlie filled a large pan of water and carefully placed it on the porch midway between the mother and her babies. The large raccoon just as carefully moved aside so that Charlie could go out the door.

The raccoons stared silently at the water. Then the mother went over and sniffed at it. She returned immediately to her place near us; her babies did not go near the water. We decided it wasn't what the mother was requesting so urgently. Years later I realized that they probably could not tolerate the heavy chlorination for which Los Angeles County water is famous.

Charlie went to the refrigerator and, perhaps instinctively, brought out a large bowl of juicy green grapes which we had purchased that evening for our children to enjoy the next day. He placed a small clump of the grapes on the porch near the water. The mother

drew near the grapes, nosed them carefully, then called to her babies with the sharp cry peculiar to raccoons.

The babies hurried over and—as if by their mother's permission—hungrily gobbled down the grapes. The mother once more beseeched us; she was asking for more grapes. We provided large clumps of them and the babies swiftly consumed them. The mother did not eat even one grape. Apparently she was saving everything for her babies.

By this time Charlie and I had silently decided to let our own children witness this strange but charming spectacle. I went upstairs and gathered our own brood, four small girls aged eight to 1½ years. I exacted from each a stern promise to be very quiet. Although normally noisy and playful, they stood as quiet as little mice at the door, watching the baby raccoons gulp down clump after clump of juicy grapes, provided by their daddy at the silent direction of a large mother raccoon. The wonder in our small children's eyes was a marvel to behold—akin to the marvel of the gratitude in the mother raccoon's eyes.

While the babies were eating the grapes, the mother stood a short distance away from us. When our children joined the group, she took up a position nearer her babies. Her attitude was that of a wary guard, alert although still trustful.

It appeared that the juicy fruit was alleviating both the raccoon's hunger and thirst. When the grapes were completely consumed, we tried laying out bits of cut-up bananas. But the mother, after sniffing this offering, rejected it. She gathered her babies and, with a final look of what seemed close

to gratitude, the little group turned and shuffled off into the darkness of the wildwood.

The entire episode lasted about 15 minutes and was an unprecedented experience for all of us—one that has never occurred since. The heat wave broke a couple of days later. On the 30th the high was a "mere" 99 degrees. Our family felt better not only for ourselves but also for the raccoons.

Our children looked for them for days afterward, hoping they would return for another meal, but we never saw that particular family again. In years that followed we often saw raccoons wandering at night among the bushes and trees near our home and sometimes strolling boldly down our driveway. We learned they are nomadic and not inclined to stay long in one place. Strangely, subsequent visiting raccoons showed no fear, at least of Charlie and me. They treat our place as their own property but do not interact with us in any unusual way.

We have always felt that the desperate circumstances of hunger and thirst the raccoons must have endured that hot summer sparked the trust that allowed the mother to approach us and ask for help. But did the fact that we also had small "babies" have anything to do with her decision to scratch on *our* door that night? She might have chosen any of a dozen homes along that winding street but we were the only family in our glen to have children so young.

This is something, of course, that we will never know. But we feel privileged to know from our experience that sometimes, under unusual circumstances, wild animals do communicate with human beings.

UFOs—Still Unexplained:

LANDINGS IN THE SOUTHWEST

Calling one of these the "best documented case on record," the air force acknowledges reality of desert close encounter.

By Bruce Maccabee

NOVEMBER 2-3, 1957: *Hockley County, Texas. Classification: NEI/PEI.**

At about 10:50 P.M. the Levelland, Tex., police received a call from Pedro Saucedo who was phoning from Whiteface, 10 miles west of Levelland. Saucedo reported that a huge torpedo-shaped yellow-white light had risen up out of a field and passed over his truck with a roar that shook the truck. As the object (estimated to be 200 feet long) approached the vehicle, the headlights and engine failed. After the object left, moving eastward, the lights came back on and Saucedo was again able to start the engine.

At about midnight another call came into the police office, this time from a man who had been driving four miles east of Levelland. Mr. W. said an egg-shaped object sitting in the road had stopped the engine and "turned out"

the lights of an approaching car. After the object rose into the sky, the headlights came on and the motorist could start his car again.

By about 12:30 A.M., after five telephone calls describing similar events but from different witnesses in different locations had come into the police station, Hockley County Sheriff Weir Clem was asked to search the area. Meanwhile, two more witnesses phoned to report what they had seen.

About 1:30 Sheriff Clem and Deputy Pat McCulloch saw a reddish oval lighted object "looking like a brilliant red sunset" cross the road in front of them. It did not stop their car, however.

A subsequent investigation uncovered two more sightings that hadn't been phoned directly to the police: two grain combines were stopped during normal operations and a fire marshal reported that his headlights dimmed and his car engine nearly stopped when a lighted object flew by. None of the witnesses (aside from the sheriff and his deputy) were looking for UFOs and they were unaware of each other's reports.

The sightings were "explained" by Project Blue Book's eager experts as ball lightning. J. Allen Hynek writes in his book *The UFO Experience* (1972) that he "hastily concurred in [Blue

*No Evidence of Intelligence/Probable Evidence of Intelligence. Dr. Maccabee classifies UFO reports as follows: NEI (in which "the report could be explained as an observation of some *unintelligent* natural phenomenon not yet understood by science"); PEI ("reports that might be explained in terms of unknown natural phenomena but which might alternatively be ascribed to some unknown intelligence"); and Definite Evidence of Intelligence (in which "the probability is quite high that an intelligence is involved, for example reports of 'machinelike' objects or of 'occupants' "). For a fuller discussion see Maccabee's "The Muroc Discs," September 1984 FATE.

Book head] Captain [G. T.] Gregory's evaluation as 'ball lightning' on the basis of information that an electrical storm had been in progress in the Level-land area at the time." Since then Dr. Hynek has had second thoughts about the ball-lightning explanation because, as it turns out, there was no electrical storm in the area. "Had I given it any thought whatever," Hynek says, "I would soon have recognized the absence of any evidence that ball lightning can stop cars and put out headlights."

Since the reported phenomena consisted of glowing balls of light, albeit with some apparent structure, it may be possible that some as-yet-unknown natural unintelligent phenomenon could account for them. On the other hand, the motions and actions of the lights might also be related to intelligence. Therefore I classify these sightings as NEI/PEI.

April 24, 1964: Socorro, N. Mex.
Classification: DEI.

Police Officer Lonnie Zamora's sighting is quite possibly the most thoroughly investigated single-witness civilian sighting in UFO history. The story has been recounted in numerous books; an entire book—Ray Stanford's *Socorro Saucer in a Pentagon Pantry* (1976)—has even been written on the case. To summarize briefly what happened:

At 5:45 in the afternoon, as he was chasing a speeder, Zamora saw what he believed at first might be the explosion of a dynamite shack. From a considerable distance he observed an object on the ground with two "children" nearby. He temporarily lost sight of it as he was driving closer and when he saw the

object again, the "children" were not there. He got out of his car and carefully observed the object, which was oval-shaped and standing on legs.

Suddenly he heard a noise and saw a flame. Fearing the object was about to explode, he ran away from it. He stumbled and lost his glasses but he could still see well enough to watch it take off and fly away. He immediately phoned the police station for help and within a matter of 15 or 20 minutes other police officers and an FBI agent arrived on the scene. Shortly afterward an air force investigator appeared.

Thus began an intense investigation to determine just what had happened. The FBI man typed up a "statementlike account . . . as given by Zamora under lengthy interrogation." In his official report to headquarters the agent wrote that he had known Zamora "intimately for approximately five years" and that Zamora "is well regarded as a sober, industrious and conscientious officer and not given to fantasy." (Quoted statements are from the official FBI file on the case.)

The first officers to arrive found smoldering bushes and indentations. A sample of charred material was obtained and eventually taken to the Albuquerque FBI office. A police officer took pictures. Later he gave the photos to the air force investigator for developing and analyzing. About a month later the air force officer told the policeman that his photos had not come out because radiation had ruined them.

Project Blue Book, the air force's public UFO-investigating agency, had launched an investigation *in the belief that Zamora had actually seen a craft land and take off.* Blue Book tried to

find that craft. Eventually the investigators decided, then-Blue Book head Maj. Hector Quintanilla wrote in a classified CIA journal, *Studies in Intelligence* (Vol. 10, No. 4, Fall 1966),* "There is no doubt that Lonnie Zamora saw an object which left quite an impression on him. There is no question about Zamora's reliability. He is a serious police officer, a pillar of his church and a man well versed in recognizing airborne vehicles in his area. He is puzzled by what he saw and frankly, so are we. This is the best documented case on record, and still we have been unable, in spite of thorough investigation, to find the vehicle or other stimulus that scared Zamora to the point of panic."

Lest anyone unacquainted with Project Blue Book think that its director was a believer in UFOs, let me point out that Quintanilla was strongly skeptical about the extraterrestrial hypothesis for UFO reports. Even when confronted with this sighting his skepticism didn't let him down. His article concludes, "The object was traveling at approximately 120 miles per hour when it disappeared over the mountain, according to Zamora's best guess of the time it took. Not an interplanetary speed, at any rate; and the findings were negative of any indication that the Socorro UFO was of extraterrestrial origin or that it presented a threat to the security of the United States."

The air force officially accepted Zamora's sighting as real and the sighting is listed as unidentified.

Philip J. Klass, in *UFOs Identified* (1968), tentatively accepted the reality

of Zamora's sighting, speculating that the policeman had seen a rare sort of plasma related to a high-voltage transmission line near the sighting area. But Klass was less positive about the sighting's credibility than the air force had been. While visiting the area and talking with some of the people involved in the incident, he found out that the object had been on the mayor's land roughly halfway between two major highways into Socorro. He also learned that within a year following the report there had been some talk of using the sighting as a tourist attraction.

When he wrote his book, he hinted that the mayor and Zamora may have contrived the UFO story as a way of attracting tourist money to the area. At the same time, however, he also suggested that Zamora might have seen a plasma, remarking that he couldn't blame the city for wanting to take advantage of such a widely-publicized event. According to Klass, when he visited Socorro in 1966, there were no signs marking the sighting area or any tourist attractions.

A few years later, in *UFOs Explained* (1974), Klass discussed only the hoax explanation that he had hinted at in *Identified*. Making much of the mayor-land-tourist connection, he implied that the sighting was a hoax to bring money to Socorro and to the mayor. Nowhere does he mention that the city had not actually carried through with any of the ideas to increase tourism.

In a recent interview the (now-ex-) mayor has commented on Klass' hoax allegation. In a long article on the sighting and its aftermath published in the *Albuquerque* [N. Mex.] *Journal* for August 2, 1983, reporter Toby Smith

*This information was released by the CIA in 1982.

quotes the mayor as saying, "The man is silly. Sure, it was my land . . . I went out and took a look like everybody else. . . . But I sure didn't plan it." The mayor went on to endorse Zamora's credibility.

According to the *Journal* article, a tabloid newspaper once offered Zamora

money to "change his story, spice it up to suit the tabloid's readers," but Zamora refused.

I think the air force was correct: this sighting was not a hoax. Furthermore, the appearance of apparent occupants and the behavior of this object make this a DEI sighting.



WOMEN HAVE THE RIGHT STUFF

MEN MAY BE bigger and stronger than women. They're more aggressive, have better vision and are better able to find and follow their prey when hunting. But women make better astronauts.

That's what Dr. June Reinisch, a prominent sexologist, told a meeting of businesswomen in Detroit in November 1984. Reinisch, director of the world-famous Alfred C. Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender and Reproduction at Indiana University, was addressing the Women's Economic Club. She pointed out that in 1960 the astronauts picked to go into space were all men, adding, "I'm here to tell you that if they had been picked by sex differences . . . the group would have been all female."

In a speech entitled "Women Can Beat Sexual Stereotypes," Reinisch said women would make better astronauts

for a number of reasons, including:

- Women are smaller than men and thus take up less room. Every inch counts in space.

- Women use less oxygen per pound of weight than men do.

- Psychological experiments have shown that women live "more easily and less emotionally" in small groups of persons tightly bound together.

- Females are better at detecting small environmental changes which are potentially dangerous in space and they are more sensitive than men to odors and sounds. According to Reinisch, a woman would be "more likely to hear" a change in sound "and to respond to it before it blows up the spaceship."

Reinisch maintains that women are physiologically stronger than men. "We live longer and we're much less likely to have a heart attack in space from the excitement," she claims.



BLOOD WILL TELL

THE MAGAZINE *Psychology Today* reported in late 1984 that some Japanese businessmen are relying on blood type evaluation for insight into behavior.

Toshitaka Nomi, who has written more than 25 books on the subject, claims that people with blood type A are perfectionists and susceptible to stress. He says that type B people are independent and often creative and type O's

are cautious and discriminating.

Some Japanese have begun to use blood typing as a guide in hiring and handling employees. A Tokyo restaurant manager believes business has improved since he stopped scolding type A workers who tend to be oversensitive. He says, "Since I've begun dealing with workers according to their blood type, things are going great."

THE CURIOUS CURE OF

Harriet Martineau

Celebrated British author
testifies to the healing power of mesmerism.

By Michael Goss

“IT IS important to society to know whether mesmerism is true,” declared Harriet Martineau.

Few cultivated Victorians who read her statement in *The Athenaeum* for November 23, 1844, would have disputed it. For one thing, Martineau's stature as a purveyor of serious, uplifting but entertainingly-written works on social and political issues—a “popularizer,” in today's terminology—was unchallenged. For another, the controversial mysteries of mesmerism (also known as animal magnetism and by half a dozen other esoteric names) simply demanded a final, concrete verdict on its validity.

The quandary facing Victorian intellectuals confronted with mesmerism isn't far removed from our own perplexity when confronted by the paranormal. From time to time there arises an occultist movement that promises to revolutionize our belief systems. Under debate today are a number of alternative therapies outside conventional medicine. Thus the 19th-Century discussion of mesmerism, which reached a climax in the 1840's, is still relevant.

In the popular mind mesmerism was an awesome occult power that enabled one person to entrance and dominate another, making the entranced believe that a lump of soap was a succulent peach or a chair an attractive dancing partner. In short, it was a kind of magic. On a more serious plane, demonstrations of clairvoyance and other unusual phenomena allegedly evoked during the trance contradicted the materialist view of man as little better than a machine. Morbid sensitivity and fear of a grand hoax pervaded Victorian culture and also created a vociferous skeptical party spearheaded by such medical men as Thomas Wakley, editor of Britain's omniscient medical journal *The Lancet*, and a handful of clergymen. They insisted that mesmerism was a total sham and a satanic delusion.

The indecision on mesmerism's validity produced a number of fruitless skirmishes between skeptics and believers. The question was still open when Harriet Martineau, a respected and responsible writer, came forward with evidence that she herself had tested the much-disputed healing power of this “animal magnetism.”

Her story would be unintelligible unless we examine the way an educated Victorian understood mesmerism. Modern dictionaries gloss over the word as an outmoded name for, or type of, hypnosis. Strictly speaking, this is not correct. While our present-day psychological concepts of hypnosis arose from the practice of mesmerism, the original mesmeristic theories were markedly different.

As developed by the disciples of Franz Anton Mesmer, this psychotherapeutic process derived from a belief in an all-pervasive, invisible, quasi-magnetic "fluid." This substance was also present in the human body and its imbalance brought on disease. By inducing a sleeplike state through his or her own magnetic force—generated by willpower and transmitted by the eyes and by manual passes—the mesmerist brought into play a harmonious, curative process which corrected the imbalance.

It should be noted that the mesmerist, throughout the treatment of the patient, did not use verbal instructions as modern hypnotherapists do because mesmerists believed that the "fluid" contained intrinsic therapeutic properties independent of psychological factors. In other words, the mere fact of being mesmerized was sufficient to effect a cure.

During its heyday in Britain, animal magnetism created a sharp polarity of opinion. On one side were the bitterly-skeptical opponents who portrayed it as "the new witchcraft," a dangerous regression to the benighted, superstitious ignorance of previous ages. On the other, gibing just as loudly at the limitations of their enemies' common sense and refusal to face the evidence,

was a loosely-knit coterie of radicals, among them persons whose exalted viewpoint won them the name "transcendentalists." For them, mesmerism was an antidote to the outworn ideas, materialism and antispirituality of the times. Mesmerism offered glimpses of a "higher" human state—doubly valuable when religious doubt, alienation and a general loss of faith had invaded the social spectrum.

As they attacked the complacent, overconservative views of contemporary science, few transcendentalists appreciated the irony of their position. To prove that mesmerism truly defined materialistic interpretations of life, they had to secure evidence and to do so they had to resort to materialistic sciences' methodology. Besides, the nature of the evidence was crucial. What kind would carry conviction and encourage skeptics to look deeper into animal magnetism? Taking into account the British character, the more cautious mesmerists saw that the "truths" had no chance of gaining recognition unless they were seen to have practical value.

Unfortunately, too many enthusiasts stressed the "higher" phenomena: "traveling clairvoyance" (akin to remote viewing), telepathy, eyeless sight, trance diagnoses of disease, psychometry and so on. Possibly much of this material deserves reexamination; some of the incidents may have been genuinely paranormal. But the laxity and informality of the tests were not lost on the critics. Where they found no condemning evidence of too-casual controls to rule out fraud, they simply ignored the episodes as improbabilities. In the long run, the emphasis on "higher phenomena" worked against mesmer-

ism's credibility. With a foresight that would have done credit to the best of their somnambulist mediums, the more perceptive mesmerists insisted animal magnetism's greatest selling point was its therapeutic value.

In an age of relatively primitive anesthesia, mesmerists' claims ought to have met with a positive response; instead they were derided or explained away. When Dr. Ward of Wellow, Nottinghamshire, used mesmerism for the painless amputation of a patient's leg in 1842, the operation elicited a fine example of Victorian antilogic. Medical skeptics claimed that the man had been taught to resist pain; clergymen added that pain was in any case "a wise provision of nature" and that patients *ought* to suffer during surgery. Dr. John Elliotson's painless removal of a cancerous breast using mesmerism was quite unremarkable—or so William Grove confided to the readers of *Blackwood's Magazine*: The woman had admitted later that "she felt the full pain but purposely and by great effort kept silent."

The advent of chloroform—fast and uniform in its action although, as some mesmerists pointed out, not without danger—provided the ideal excuse for not granting animal magnetism's anesthetic applications a further hearing.

But what of mesmerist therapy's other claims? The mesmerists' own journal, *The Zoist*, published amazing cures throughout its 13-year life. Organic diseases said to have responded to the magnetic fluid include cancer, long-term blindness, inflammations, tuberculosis, dysentery, heart disease, spinal complaints, scrofula and many more. Here is a catalog of diseases supposedly cured

by an invisible, mind-directed force in isolation—that is, without psychological or medicinal adjuncts. Yet the medical profession refused to take this force seriously. No 20th-Century conventional therapy, including hypnosis, would presume to pit itself against half of the medical problems over which mesmerism claimed victory. It is possible that our ancestors jettisoned an incredibly potent therapeutic tool.

But perhaps the cures were temporary and the patients' subsequent relapses went unreported. Perhaps they were actually due to more conventional forms of medication applied before, during or even after the mesmerist treatments. Or perhaps the original diagnoses were faulty so that a minor disease was mistaken for (and magnified into) a major one. The case of Harriet Martineau may help to put mesmerism's miracle cures into a tighter perspective.

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THE YEAR 1839 found Harriet Martineau one of Victorian England's foremost writers—and also a chronic invalid. A large public applauded her forceful, educative output and her zeal for radical causes, especially those concerned with improving the lives of the working class. The frequent remarks that she wrote "like a man" or had a masculine intellect were not meant to be patronizing; they were compliments directed at her uncompromising character. But few outside her circle of acquaintances knew that there was another side to Martineau. She harbored a desire to be a martyr—"an apostle of pain"—and with it a tendency to believe she was seriously, perhaps terminally, ill. To books such as *Illustrations of Political Economy*

and *Retrospect of Western Travel* she was soon to add the significantly-titled *Life in the Sickroom*.

Even so—and despite her “beggarly nervous system”—it wasn’t a purely psychosomatic illness that kept her bedridden after her arrival in Tyne-mouth. She was a sick woman. Two doctors—one of them her brother-in-law T. M. Greenhow of the Newcastle-Upon-Tyne Infirmary—agreed that she suffered from an organic or functional enlargement of the uterus and an ovarian cyst. For reasons of 19th-Century tact or delicacy, the patient did not specify the nature of her illness when writing of her marvelous cure.

By 1844 Martineau professed herself ready to try anything. “If any friend of mine had been lying in a suffering and helpless state for nearly six years,” she wrote later, “and she had fancied she might get well by standing on her head or reciting charms or bestriding a broomstick, I should have helped her to try.”

Instead of resorting to any of these measures, Harriet Martineau turned to mesmerism.

Ironically, in view of what happened later, Greenhow was responsible for the introduction that led her to select Spencer Timothy Hall as mesmerist. A former printer, newspaper proprietor and minor poet, he had discovered in animal magnetism a new form of self-expression and an outlet for his visionary leanings. Much in demand throughout the northern counties as a mesmerist-lecturer, he claimed some spectacular successes in curing lameness, deafness and epilepsy but his exuberant statements hadn’t made him universally popular among his fellow mesmerists.

Nevertheless, his Newcastle performances impressed Greenhow. When Hall had overcome the shock of having to meet and treat the famous authoress, he apparently notched up another notable triumph.

Hall’s lecturing commitments forced him to bow out soon after the first seance which (in Martineau’s opinion) set her on the road to complete recovery. He left her in the hands of other mesmerists—one of them her own maid, whose knowledge of the science came from a popular handbook on mesmerism, and the other “a lady, the widow of a clergyman,” Mrs. Montagu Wynyard. With their assistance the invalid reduced her opiate intake, regained her appetite and had “full enjoyment of active days and nights of rest.” Soon Martineau, whose feet had scarcely touched grass for years, was taking a five-mile walk.

As a professional writer on the important social issues of her day, Harriet Martineau could not merely accept her cure and pass on to other things. She felt a duty to put her testimony before a wide audience—at a time when the validity of mesmerism urgently needed a fair and objective appraisal. She chose the influential *Athenaeum* as a forum for her letters on mesmerism because its readers theoretically constituted the intellectual critics she wanted to reach; but she ignored the fact that the review was highly antagonistic to all pretensions of the supernatural. She had placed herself—not altogether unknowingly—in a false position.

“Mr. Cowderay says that if Miss Martineau writes of her own cure only, she will do good,” said author Mary Russell Mitford in a letter to a

friend, "but if mixed up with details of a marvelous nature she will only get wrecked upon the sharp edge of prejudice For certainly what is wanted of mesmerism is not the wild notions of girls of 19 but the power to alleviate disease and perform operations without pain."

Miss Mitford plainly saw the problems inherent when Martineau began to describe the "higher phenomena" displayed under mesmerist influence by a teenaged member of her household, Jane Arrowsmith. (The reference to her being "wrecked on the sharp edge of prejudice" is pertinent; one of Jane's more controversial feats involved a precognitive or clairvoyant vision of a shipwreck.) It was the Martineau testimony on Jane's ostensibly "superior" or psi faculties that aroused the venom of the waiting skeptics.

Martineau asserted that mesmerism alone had wrought a cure in a person who (she said) had existed for several miserable years as a hopeless invalid. Her case, unlike all too many others, could not be ignored by the medical establishment. "This lady's writings have won for her more than European reputation," chortled *The Zoist* with evident satisfaction, "and we do not know another patient whose cure could . . . cause a greater sensation." From the humblest dwelling to the royal palace where Prince Albert censored the medics for refusing to investigate mesmerism, Martineau's evidence was the topic of the hour. Adequate response from the medical profession was not merely requested, it was demanded. Predictably enough, that response proved to be mercilessly negative.

Critics were busily poking holes in the

clairvoyance episodes—as many had feared, the higher phenomena were a consistent weakness in mesmerism's armor—when T. M. Greenhow published his version of the Martineau cure. Earlier extolled by his sister-in-law as "my kind and vigilant medical friend," the surgeon was no longer inclined to hold back. Annoyed by the implication that he subscribed to her own rosy opinion of mesmerism—and perhaps also irritated that it was he who had made it possible for her to undergo the mesmerist treatment in the first place—Greenhow tore aside the discreet vagueness by which Martineau had tried to hide the real nature of her intimate complaint. His one-shilling mass-circulation pamphlet told everyone what she had suffered from in plain, everyday English rather than the more tactful Latin doctors were supposed to use to describe their patients' problems.

The Medical Report of the Case of Miss H. M. (the use of initials disguised the patient's identity not one iota) painted Harriet Martineau as a stubborn hypochondriac who persistently exaggerated the nature of her illness "and always seemed best satisfied with anything approaching an admission that she must ever remain a secluded invalid." This, wrote Greenhow, was a typical morbid or nervous side effect of her sickness but her belief had no medical foundation. He himself had always been confident that she would be cured. Even H. M. had admitted in 1844 (*before* the mesmerist treatments) that she felt better but she clung to the idea that it was only a passing phase. In other words, she preferred to believe she was incurable. Greenhow had recommended mesmerism only for its psychological

effects on his sister-in-law's distressed nervous system. Her actual cure he attributed to the iodide of iron treatment he had prescribed and the first signs of improvement predated the mesmerism sessions by a couple of months. Beyond some minor influence on her confidence, the doctor insisted, mesmerism had played no worthwhile part in the curative process.

Greenhow's destructive announcements and Martineau's rejections of them had little effect on the uproarious "Mesmerism Letters Debate" which threatened to become a weekly series in *The Athenaeum*. The clairvoyance issue dominated the debate and when the editorial veto cut it short, many readers may have forgotten that the conflict had begun with the description of what was essentially a medical mystery. Surely all but a few had forgotten by 1877, a year after Martineau had died unrepentant at her Ambleside home. Mesmerism itself was virtually dead, having been overtaken by a less exotic therapy now known as hypnotism. Thus there were no serious objectors to take up the cause of magnetic fluids when Greenhow's account of *The Termination of the Case of Harriet Martineau* looked back across a gulf of 12 years to reopen the old controversy.

I have used the Martineau case as a moderately average example of the miracle cures claimed for mesmerism. It is one of the few cases for which we possess a full set of records which help to assess the suspicion that a strange quasiphysical healing force had foolishly been allowed to drift into oblivion. If we cannot believe the multiple accounts of cures effected on severe afflictions, the only solution is that those cures

were not permanent, as the mesmerists supposed, but temporary.

According to Greenhow's final words in *The Lancet*, this is the true explanation of the Martineau cure. In fact, it was not a cure, since a postmortem 24 hours after her death indicated that the relief she had felt in 1844 marked a passive or interim phase in the progress of her illness. Thereafter a slow but persistent ovarian displacement had continued and a pear-shaped 12-by-10-inch tumor worked its way up her body until it pressed on intestines and interfered with lung and heart action. All this continued long after the supposedly permanent mesmerist cure had taken place. Her illness resisted both Greenhow's iodide of iron treatment and the mesmerists' animal magnetism.

As Greenhow had hoped, mesmerism helped Martineau escape the thralldom of drugs; it renewed her confidence and vital energies, even her will to get better. But it had not *cured* her. Another doctor observed that the relief she felt as the tumor began to rise from pelvis to abdomen chanced to coincide with the mesmerist sittings and was chalked up to their credit. But the problem remained and in later years it took on renewed vigor, eventually leading to her death.

Harriet Martineau was an enthusiastic mesmerist to the end, carrying out any number of cures in her neighborhood. Yet it may be significant that when afflicted by symptoms of what she took to be heart disease in 1855, she did not consult a mesmerist but went to an ordinary London doctor.

The noncure of Harriet Martineau may seem a damning piece of evidence against the therapeutic value of mesmer-

ism. How many wonder-cures promoted in magazines like *The Zoist* and *Phreno-Magnet* could be canceled out if we had some follow-up on patients' progress after those cures had been loudly proclaimed?

Even if we allow that suspicion free rein, the vast literature of mesmerism contains some seemingly inexplicable instances of cures. Animal magnetism has been derided as a quaint byway of

psychology which led only to a cul-de-sac. Today, more than 140 years after the Martineau debacle, interest in alternative therapies runs high. Mesmerism, despite its many comic failings and posturings, has much in common with ideas currently exciting attention. Perhaps now the time has come to reevaluate what the 19th-Century transcendentalists proudly called "the science of life."



A THORNY VISITATION PROBLEM

DAMON AND Sally Tarquinio of Crofton, Md., have solved a thorny visitation problem. They'll be able to drop in on their rosebushes and other greenery as a result of an agreement reached by lawyers in October 1984.

The deal permits the Tarquinios to visit their begonias, rosebushes and evergreens for two hours on Sunday mornings and puts on the back burner a dispute with neighbors over where their property line runs.

Lawyers representing the Tarquinios

and their neighbors, Mark and Kimberly Lamb, reached the temporary agreement which allows the Tarquinios to tend their garden from 9:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. on Sundays. If the weather is bad, the parties agreed to "be flexible on arranging other times." The Tarquinios will be allowed to enter through a gate into the side yard. The issue arose in August 1984 when the fence was moved toward the Tarquinios' house after a home-builder said the original fence line was incorrect.



THE BURNING BOOTH

MIKE RUSSO, writing for the *Holbrook [Ariz.] Tribune*, tells about an inhospitable telephone booth which spoiled New Year's Day for Wilber Tanner, a long-distance truck driver. En route from California to Indianapolis on January 1, 1985, Tanner stopped in a shopping plaza in Winslow, Ariz., to make a telephone call.

As he began dialing, the phone emitted an electrical charge which caused second- and third-degree burns on his left ear. He was transported to Winslow Memorial Hospital where he was treated and released. Two police sergeants, Mike Duran and David Sedilla, were dispatched to the shopping center to examine the telephones. All six were found to be electrically charged.

Sergeant Duran attempted to remove a receiver from its cradle in one of the units and the electrical charge burned his nightstick. When Sergeant Sedilla removed a receiver, his finger was burned. A telephone company employee, inspecting the telephones, had his work glove melted.

Although Nancy Wood, a Mountain Bell representative, said the electrical charge did not damage the telephone mechanisms, the police officers found that some plastic parts had melted. Representatives of Mountain Bell and Arizona Public Service were unsuccessful in locating the source of the energy and the phones at the shopping center were boarded up to avoid further injuries.

BESIEGED BY A DEMON

As the evil entities appeared we fought desperately to drive them away, only to feel them becoming ever more powerful . . .

Part II

By Paul F. Eno

***I**N 1972 a poltergeist began to plague a house on Lindley Street in Bridgeport, Conn. At first the occupants, Gerard and Laura Goodin, assumed the poundings on the walls were due to natural causes but investigations by the police, fire department personnel and city engineers failed to solve the mystery. By late summer 1974 other phenomena were occurring. Religious articles jumped from the walls and crashed to the floor. Refrigerators and television sets were levitated. Furniture and other household objects were overturned. Among the witnesses were Bridgeport police officers. Some investigators suspected that the Goodins' 10-year-old adopted daughter Marcia was hoaxing the poltergeist effects.*

On November 24 veteran psychic investigators Ed and Lorraine Warren of Monroe, Conn., arrived on the scene with Father Bill Charbonneau and the author.

THE POLICE left the house at about 2:45 P.M., although a few remained outside to keep the crowd under control. Reporters started to arrive at four

o'clock and roamed freely through the house talking with the Goodins, the Warrens and me. I decided to permit reporters to use only my first name. My position as a seminary student required a certain degree of anonymity—some of my superiors looked askance at my involvement in psychical research and publicity was the last thing I needed.

At four o'clock the Warrens, Father Bill and I had the first of many conferences. With the exception of the priest, who had to return to his parish in the morning, we could remain on the case as long as necessary to help the Goodin family. We decided that I would stay with Marcy at all times to watch and make sure she was not directly responsible for any of the events.

After that we decided to return to Monroe for more discussion and something to eat. First, however, Father Bill blessed the house, using a ritual similar to the one Father Doyle had used that morning. The Warrens accompanied the priest from room to room as he prayed and sprinkled holy water. I stayed in the living room with the family.

As we were about to leave the house, we heard a crash coming from Marcy's bedroom. The big dresser had been

thrown across the room, smashing into the closet door on the other side. Everyone was in the living room when it happened. This was our introduction to whatever it was that had brought us here. The people milling outside stared and whispered as we left the house. No doubt they had expected Father Bill to come flying out a window as had happened in the then-popular film *The Exorcist*.

Back at the Warrens' house the three of us (Father Bill had an appointment in Waterbury) tried to put things together. Although we had not seen or heard the most dramatic events, we had little doubt that we were dealing with a poltergeist. Since this phenomenon is little understood, many investigators have their own variations on the common theories. Ours were that either Marcy's pent-up psychic energy was responsible for the poltergeist or one or more actual demonic entities were at work. Only time and the phenomena themselves would give us an answer to that question.

The four of us returned to Lindley Street at about eight o'clock that evening to find that the crowds had swelled to several thousand. The story was now out on the wires of the Associated Press, United Press International and Reuters, as well as the major broadcast networks.

An hour later we were drinking coffee in the kitchen when all at once Lorraine Warren cried out in pain. As we watched, a blister slowly appeared on the top of her left hand. The hand, in plain sight all the time, had certainly not come in contact with anything that could have caused such a burn. No one was smoking, either. Ed tried to per-

suade his wife to leave the house but she wouldn't hear of it.

An hour and a half later, Marcy was in her room showing Father Bill her charm bracelet. Suddenly the big bureau, which had been set back in place against the wall, again flew across the room. No one was near it. The predominance of activity in this room was confirming what we already suspected: Marcy's room was the center of the phenomena.

At 11 o'clock everyone congregated in the kitchen. I was standing next to the television console and Marcy was next to me when Gerard Goodin suddenly pointed to the television. The flowers on top of it were moving silently, as if fluttering in the breeze. Goodin said that whenever the flowers moved like this, it meant that the television was going to fall over.

I felt around the flowers with my fingertips. They were engulfed by the "psychic cold" that no thermometer measures but which is all too familiar to every psychical researcher. I felt behind the television set as far as I could reach. The strange cold was there too.

Then, as I leaned against the sink, the set went over with a crash, face down, hitting my left leg and knocking Marcy and me across the kitchen. Knowing the force of the crash, I was astonished that the television was undamaged. Unfortunately my leg sported a minor gash for several weeks, a battle scar from my bout with the Bridgeport poltergeist.

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AFTER THIS things quieted down. Later, close to 2:00 A.M., Father Bill blessed the house again. If indeed the haunting was demonic in nature, we hoped this would end it without

recourse to more drastic measures such as exorcism. Things remained calm throughout the rest of the night.

At four o'clock on the morning of Monday, November 25, we returned to Monroe to get some sleep. Father Bill stretched out on the living room couch, while Lorraine and I lingered in the kitchen drinking tea and talking. She had just said she hoped the thing was ended when we both felt the "presence." Something invisible, inaudible and malign was in the kitchen with us.

Lorraine and I held hands across the table and prayed and whatever it was soon left. From then on, she was as unsure as I about whether the trouble on Lindley Street had ended.

At exactly 8:00 A.M. the phone rang. Father Bill had left to celebrate Mass at his parish but the rest of us were asleep. Lorraine answered and heard our worst fears confirmed. Laura Goodin frantically reported that everything had started all over again and the destruction was worse than ever.

When we arrived at the house on Lindley Street, we found the interior a shambles and the place jammed with police and reporters, including network journalists. Mrs. Goodin was wearing a crucifix on a black ribbon around her neck. After getting a full report on the events of the early morning (which were similar to those of Sunday morning), we started ejecting reporters and bystanders who had wandered boldly into the house. It took until noon to get people sorted out and ejected. I was with Marcy during the entire period.

By this time we had all but decided that an exorcism of the house was the only course of action left to us. That was not so easy as it sounded, unfor-

tunately. Unlike Protestants, Eastern Orthodox and Jews, Roman Catholics have highly ritualized and "official" forms of exorcism. A Roman Catholic priest can find himself in big trouble with his bishop if he uses these rituals without permission, especially in a highly publicized situation such as this one.

That afternoon we tried to get some cooperation from the Bridgeport Diocese, to no avail. Msgr. John J. Toomey, vicar general of the diocese, later issued a written statement in which he said, among other things, that Church officials attributed the events to "purely natural causes."

Father Bill was in an awkward position because he wasn't even from that diocese. In desperation I called an Eastern Orthodox priest I knew and asked if he would be willing to come in and preside over an exorcism. He said yes, but only as a last resort since the Goodins should have recourse to their own church first. Thus, as the day passed and pressure increased from both the family and the police to do something to end this nightmare, we found ourselves in the proverbial "Catch-22" situation.

Around 1:00 P.M. I left the house and waded through the incredible crowd (which was nearing 10,000) to go to a store and get some snacks for everyone. People in the crowd, evidently thinking I was Father Bill (who was only a few years older than I and was getting a good many headlines), either stared in awe or tried to ask questions, which I evaded. I bought candy for everyone and was back in the house at 1:30 P.M. The Warrens then left to talk with some reporters at their home.

This left the Goodins, Marcy's babysitter (a neighbor), *Bridgeport Post* reporter John Sopko and me in the house. Marcy, the babysitter and I began to play a board game while the others chatted. Suddenly an acrid smell, like that of ozone mixed with sulfur, drifted through the house. It came from the kitchen. Instantly Goodin was up and dashed into the kitchen; he was in plain sight every moment.

"Oh, oh," he said. "It's going to start again!"

Our skin jumped with that unmistakable electrical tingle that's burned into the mind of anyone who has ever stood in the presence of a demonic entity. A whitish, gauzy cloud began to form in the kitchen and Goodin was back in the living room at once.

Immediately I sat everyone down and took out an Eastern Orthodox prayer book I had with me, starting to chant the first thing I came upon. It happened to be the ancient "Akathist" hymn in praise of Jesus Christ. In a strangely moving scene Marcy came over and joined me in the simple hymn. Mrs. Goodin wept. The malign presence quickly dissipated.

The Warrens returned about 3:30 P.M. During the next few hours, as we waited vainly for a return call from the Bridgeport Diocese, we sat in the kitchen and listened to the radio. We were joined by two policemen. Practically every station to which we turned was talking about the house on Lindley Street. One of the officers rudely hinted that a hoax was the only explanation. His mockery ended when the kitchen was suddenly engulfed again with the smell of sulfur and ozone, this time coming from Marcy's room. But

nothing further happened.

We sent out for hamburgers. Then the Warrens left again to return home to make a number of long-distance phone calls to other investigators and influential clergymen. Only the Goodins and I were in the house at 7:10 when I suddenly got the feeling that something was very wrong. Goodin felt it too and went into the kitchen. The cloudlike formation and the malign presence soon returned, now seeming much stronger. (For some odd reason I had the clear impression that it was exactly four times stronger.)

Someone who has never experienced such a thing cannot imagine the certainty all of us felt at that moment that malign entities were "arriving." Although invisible, their movements were immediately obvious to us from moment to moment as they moved from the kitchen, down the short hallway and into the living room. Goodin traced one as it did this. Mrs. Goodin started to cry, while Marcy clung to me in terror. I proceeded to chant the Akathist again.

Then, to the amazement of everyone, especially me, Goodin began chanting, in a beautiful bass voice that I would have sworn was not his own, a prayer in flawless Latin which sounded to me like part of the old Roman Catholic Funeral Mass. He later said he had never studied Latin but remembered some of the language from his days as an altar boy. Well, I have never heard of any altar boy who absorbed that much proper vocabulary and pronunciation without painstaking study over a long period.

Despite all our efforts the forces grew ever stronger. I put Marcy behind me on a stool next to the front door. One

of the "things" approached me and stopped. It was then that I made my mistake: I began to feel a fierce enmity toward this being, which seemed to be after this innocent child. As my emotion grew, the entity simply fed on the psychic energy I was releasing and grew stronger. The being got around me and threw Marcy across the living room.

She ran back to me, crying. Finally, as the cloud inundated the whole interior of the house and as my physical strength waned, I ordered everyone outside. They needed no further encouragement.

Luckily for us the police had cleared away the crowds and cordoned off Lindley Street. They all saw us leave, though, and a muffled muttering broke out at both ends of the street. It was about 8:00 P.M. and quite dark and cold, with a light sleet falling. Several neighbors stared helplessly from their front yards. We could hear a voice in the crowd preaching something about this all being a "sign of the end," although I'm sure it wasn't the "end" I was hoping for just then. I said the Lord's Prayer with the Goodins, then left them shivering on the front walk as I ran to a nearby house to find a telephone.

Apparently I wasn't alone. A dog came bounding out of someone's backyard, barking fiercely. It got to within two feet of me, abruptly yelped and fled behind some bushes with its tail between its legs. Several cats stared for a moment, then scurried away in terror.

I came to the house and the door was answered by a wide-eyed little boy. "Mommy," he called, "the priest wants to use the phone!" Even here everyone seemed to think I was Father Bill.

The people were sympathetic. As I stepped toward the phone, something rang the doorbell and knocked three times. "Mommy, there's nobody there!" the boy cried.

"You want to make a bet?" I replied.

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THE WARRENS left their home as soon as I called but it took them almost an hour and a half to get back through the suburbs to Lindley Street, thanks to the traffic and crowds. Apparently the Goodin house had become a major tourist attraction. When they finally arrived at about 9:15, we all reentered the house. Things were quiet. When we turned on the radio, a newscaster was speculating about why we had left the house. Two reporters from WNAB radio in Bridgeport arrived at about 9:30.

While I recounted the evening's events to those who hadn't been there, a mirror in Marcy's room fell and the kitchen table turned over twice. On three different occasions three knocks sounded at the back door. No one was there. The drapes in the living room kept falling to the floor and the portable television there turned around every few minutes. At one point Marcy was sitting in the kitchen and her chair began to rise. Since I was standing behind her, I grabbed the chair back and pushed it down.

By that time the investigators had decided that an exorcism of the house would have to be performed by someone as soon as possible, no matter what.

Shortly after midnight the Warrens and I, bleary-eyed and hungry, left the Goodin home, planning to return the next afternoon (Tuesday, November 26) at about 1:30 P.M. Marcy kissed me

and made me promise to come back. "How can we ever thank you?" Laura Goodin said as she hugged the three of us. As if to say farewell, the coffee table jumped across the living room as we walked out the front door.

After another night on the Warrens' living room couch, I decided to go home to East Hartford for a few hours to rest, shower and talk with my parish priest. The Warrens were going to Hartford on business. We agreed to meet back at the Goodin house at 2:00 P.M.

As my old Ford sped east on Interstate 84, I tuned the radio to WCBS in New York—and I could hardly believe what I heard. The announcer was saying the Bridgeport police had declared the poltergeist a hoax perpetrated by Marcy! Every station I could get said the same thing.

The Warrens learned of this after their arrival in Hartford. But when they got home at about 11:30 A.M., the chaos really began. Phone calls to police headquarters produced no answers and even the Goodins' phone was answered by a policeman. The Goodins refused to speak with the Warrens. When they went back to Lindley Street, a policeman refused them entry, so they went to a friend's home in the city to listen to the radio and try more phone calls.

I arrived at Lindley Street at 2:30 P.M. and stood aghast on the front steps as Laura Goodin ordered a policeman to throw me off the property. I finally met the Warrens back at their home about five o'clock.

Evidently what had happened was this: The police had entered the Goodin house within minutes of our departure the previous night. Tougher minds at

headquarters had decided that this ghostly ruckus had to end once and for all so that order could be restored in that part of the city. Veteran interrogators grilled Marcy. Ultimately, according to police reports, she "confessed" to having perpetrated a hoax. Thus Police Superintendent Joseph A. Walsh announced first thing Tuesday morning that the Bridgeport "poltergeist" was a child's hoax.

The Warrens' phone didn't stop ringing all that evening. Calls came in from reporters as far away as Australia and western Canada. One caller, from a Toronto newspaper, claimed Father Bill Charbonneau was now denying he had witnessed phenomena in the house. This of course proved untrue. Another caller told us that Marcy had been taken to the Fairfield Hills Hospital near Bridgeport and was under psychiatric observation. These reports were only the first of many rumors which circulated in the media for weeks.

At 7:00 P.M. Ed Warren and I were guests on the three-hour Tiny Markel Show, a call-in program on WNAB radio. Virtually all the callers agreed with us that the sudden police declaration of a "hoax" was inexplicable, no matter what the explanation for the Lindley Street happenings might be.

Inane accusations were hurled against us from Lindley Street and police headquarters during the rest of November and early December. Believe it or not, these included the following: that the candy I bought on Monday afternoon was "drugged" and somehow caused the phenomena or caused Marcy to cause the phenomena; that Ed had caused the events from his own home by witchcraft; and that all of the

witnesses had been put under some sort of "spell."

Of course the silliest accusation of all was that a 10-year-old child could fool large numbers of reliable, highly trained people for days by tossing around huge objects in a tiny house without being seen. How such incredible suggestions were in any way more believable than the simple facts of the case is beyond my comprehension.

To the best of my knowledge not one witness, including the policemen who had been there, ever retracted his story and all those who were asked vouched for the professional way in which the psychical investigators handled themselves. The Warrens and a number of other witnesses publicly refuted the police story. Although fuming, I remained silent, again for the sake of anonymity.

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THUS ENDED that segment of the haunting of Lindley Street. Over the next month the story, along with the battle between the Warrens and the police, died out in the press. Ed got a letter from the Goodins' attorney warning him—and me—not to use the Goodins' name in any lectures. And on Lindley Street Laura Goodin was shutting the door in the face of anyone who resembled a reporter.

But the poltergeist was far from banished. According to all sorts of reliable reports, the family's ordeal was continuing. Mrs. Goodin told a friend that her husband had to plant their Christmas tree in concrete because it kept moving. It was also reported that some of the furniture had to be wired down.

By January 1975 an investigative

team from what was then the Duke University Parapsychology Laboratory had worked out a deal with the family and the police to go to the house and conduct a thorough investigation of its own. The deal was that no findings would be released until one year from the date of their investigation. Those involved were Jerry Solfvin (now with the graduate parapsychology program at John F. Kennedy University in San Francisco), Keith Harary and Boyce Batey, a Connecticut resident affiliated with the Spiritual Frontiers Fellowship. During the investigation the Goodins vehemently denied any hoax and insisted that Marcy had nothing to do with any of the events.

These investigators approached the situation in a hard-nosed scientific fashion. They administered a number of psychological tests to Mr. and Mrs. Goodin and conducted extensive interviews with witnesses, including me. All paranormal phenomena apparently ceased while the Duke people were in the house; they saw nothing unusual.

In the end even these investigators threw up their hands over the inconsistency of reports by witnesses, highly charged emotions on the part of the family and no definite results from tests for psychokinesis. Dr. Solfvin wrote me recently, "The case was never published by us for a variety of reasons. In fact, we never even wrote an 'in-house' report on it."

Late in January the Goodins were persuaded to appear on a local radio show, where they denied the hoax allegation and reports that Marcy was undergoing psychiatric treatment. They also said that paranormal events continued in the house.

Not long afterward, in early February, a "For Sale" sign appeared in front of the house on Lindley Street. It took awhile but finally the place was sold and the Goodins vanished from the public eye. So far as I have been able to

determine, nothing paranormal has happened at the address since the Goodins left. How or when they got rid of their poltergeist, or if they ever did, are questions someone else will have to answer.



IST ES NICHT EIN WUNDER?

WRITING FOR Knight-Ridder Newspapers, Roddy Ray reports that Eric Hafner, an eight-year-old third-grader at St. Mary's Catholic School in Westphalia, Mich., released a white helium-filled balloon on October 5, 1984. His 249 schoolmates did the same, as part of a publicity program for the parish in the town which is about 30 miles northwest of Lansing. As they all did, Eric attached to his balloon a slip of paper about one by three inches bearing the school's address and a request that the finder write. Eric included his name and his schoolroom number.

The next Friday two students received responses—one from Detroit and another from Pennsylvania. The day after that, Hafner's mother Alice was sorting mail in the village post office where she works part-time. She came to a business-size envelope addressed to St. Mary's which also had Eric's name on it. Legally she couldn't take the letter to Eric because it was addressed to the school. So Eric and his parents went to

the school that Saturday and opened the letter. It read:

"Dear Eric:

"We have found your balloon in a small town near Dortmund in Germany"

It was signed by Christian Lampmann, a 20-year-old youth who works at his father's lumberyard in a village named Halver. Lampmann said he found the balloon on October 7. That's only two days after Eric sent it and Halver is about 4000 miles from Westphalia.

Elissa Greenburg, pastoral minister for St. Mary's School, called the National Weather Service in Lansing and learned that a 30,000-foot-high jet stream was flowing at an unusually fast 120 miles an hour October 5 to 7.

Soon Eric had another communication from Lampmann, a postcard reading: "*Ist es nicht ein Wunder dass der Wind schneller ist als ein Luftpostbrief?*" Which means, "Isn't it a wonder that the wind is faster than an airmail letter?"



THE OLD BANANA TRICK

DOREEN Nowlan of Uxbridge, Mass., met a car dealer's terms: she paid for a 1975 Peugeot with 999 bananas. Jim Peltekis, owner of King Ford in Milford, had said in a radio commercial that he would take fruit as payment. So Nowlan unloaded the fruit September 17, 1984, and drove her car home.

The Chemistry of the SUPERNATURAL

Fear, panic, stress—

how are these human emotions tied to paranormal experiences?

By Victoria Branden

SOMETIME in the late 1950's, when the drug culture was just starting to emerge in Western society, a biochemist friend remarked to me on the similarity of drug-induced hallucinations to occult phenomena.

"I've got a hunch," he said, "that the supernatural can all be explained by chemistry."

Since he never pursued his hunch, I'm not sure how serious he was. I wasn't overly enthusiastic about his diagnosis, having had some odd experiences which I didn't know how to explain; in any case, I didn't care to be classified with drug addicts.

He had been interested in the effects on the brain of hallucinogenic drugs, while I had been exploring psychical research. When I described the strange episode I had undergone (an out-of-body experience), he asked what kind of drug I'd been taking. None—for me the stimulus was fear; I had been involved in a nearly fatal accident. That should have given us a clue but in the 1950's much less was known about brain chemistry.

When we compared notes on these

apparently related fields, we were startled at the correspondences. From both drug research and paranormal research came reports of apparitions and doppelgangers, of UFOs and extra-terrestrial encounters. Both camps had heard disembodied voices and suffered possession which they believed to be caused by invasion of their bodies by some supernatural entity. Both had reported psychokinetic phenomena which they attributed to evil spirits, specifically poltergeists. They also described religious and visionary experiences and an all encompassing sense of cosmic unity.

Since those days we have learned a good deal about body chemistry and the functioning of the brain. There seems to be fairly good evidence that the ghost-seers and the astral travelers may indeed be "on drugs" even though they have never tried LSD or other hallucinogens. The drugs are produced naturally in and by our bodies. An article in *Psychology Today* (October 1983) points out that the two basic types of chemical compounds (variations of indole and phenylethylamine), which are present in nearly all hallucinogens, are also found in the molecules that

occur naturally in the neurotransmitters of the brain:

The article, written by Harvey Milkman and Stanley Sunderwirth, notes that "dopamine and norepinephrine have the basic phenylethylamine structure, whereas serotonin has the indole structure. The fantasy aspects of some artistic and spiritual activities may convert the brain's own indole or phenylethylamine compounds into hallucinogenic variations of the chemicals."

So why aren't we seeing things and taking out-of-body excursions all the time? Why does it happen to some of us and not to others?

As I've remarked, my OBE occurred when I was terribly frightened. Every serious student of psychical research must be struck, in reading case histories, by the relationship between crisis states and such phenomena as apparition-seeing, telepathy, PK and precognition—the whole gamut of paranormal encounters. There is an overwhelming association with death, accidents, disasters and severe emotional stress.

The physical phenomena of the fight/flight syndrome will be familiar to most readers. In a crisis the body does extraordinary things, as noted long ago by W. B. Cannon in his 1929 book *Bodily Changes in Pain, Hunger, Fear and Rage*: "... the adrenalin set free in pain and in fear and rage would put the muscles of the body unqualifiedly at the disposal of the nervous system; ... and this provision, along with energy-supplying sugar newly flushed into the circulation, would give to the animal ... the best possible conditions for putting forth supreme muscular effort."

That is, when we are in a state of

emotional tension so that the fight/flight response is evoked, we are effectively "on drugs" even though they are homegrown ones, produced in our own bodies. We are able to perform feats that are ordinarily impossible.

If the body is thus energized, the mind must be affected as well so that it can perform in an extraordinary manner. In such circumstances we find spontaneous ESP occurring: telepathy, clairvoyance and precognition.

In *The Mind-Body Effect* (1979) Herbert Benson makes this significant point: "The fight or flight response is characterized by increased activity of the sympathetic nervous system, that is, by increased secretion of epinephrine (adrenaline) and norepinephrine (noradrenaline). On the other hand, the relaxation response is associated with decreased activity of this system."

Passive states like meditation are the opposite side of the coin of the fight/flight syndrome. Induced by quiet, relaxation and the reduction of tensions, they are characterized by the secretion of endorphins and enkephalins, natural painkillers whose chemical structure is similar to that of morphine. Such states often lead to actual healings of the psychogenic illnesses caused by emotional stress.

The effects of the fight/flight syndrome and its changes in body chemistry are well illustrated in the "crisis apparition," the very name of which indicates its close relationship to fear, danger or anger. Ghosts have been the staple commodity of supernatural belief and people have been seeing them since time immemorial. The crisis apparition was so dubbed over 100 years ago, when its association with fear or danger was

noted. A typical example, of which thousands have been recorded, is that of the wife or mother of a soldier who sees husband or son standing before her, in so lifelike a form that she frequently believes he is really there. When he disappears, she is usually stricken with fear that he has been killed and his spirit has come to tell her so.

Once again, the operative factor is the high emotional tension in the originator of the image. Since the imminence of death must produce a peak of emotional tension, many of the crisis apparitions recorded have been of people who were later discovered to have died at that time.

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WHY CAN'T WE just accept that they are, indeed, spirits?

Nearly a century ago the Society for Psychical Research sent out a questionnaire on this subject and received thousands of reports of apparition-seeing, in many of which the "ghost" was that of a living person. The results of the survey, published in the classic book *Phantasms of the Living* (1886), should have gone a long way toward discrediting the discarnate-spirit theory of ghosts. But it made little impression on the public and the association between fear, danger, the fight/flight syndrome and the supernatural, although it was occasionally remarked upon, was not formulated into a comprehensive theory or (so far as I know) made the basis of experimental work.

The fact that the wife/mother who sees the apparition is somehow informed of the crisis endangering her husband/son forces us to consider the possibility that some kind of telepathic awareness has occurred and that it

is associated with the fight/flight syndrome. The originator of the information is in a state of extreme emotional and physical stress, often in acute danger, so that his whole system is "psyched up" and energized by adrenaline. He is not intentionally sending a message; he is probably too busy trying to survive the emergency. But somehow the stressful condition communicates itself to a person with whom he is in close emotional rapport. Something resonates between the two minds, regardless of distance.

The impressions of his danger may be received in various ways—sometimes, as noted, by an apparition; sometimes by a voice; sometimes in a dream; or occasionally as a PK effect, like a picture falling or a clock stopping. These phenomena are produced by the message's recipient who has received the "information" at some unconscious level; the whole process is an unconscious one. G.N.M. Tyrrell, in his famous book *Apparitions* (1953), suggests that the unconscious mind uses the phenomena as a mechanism to transfer the information to the conscious mind.

For an illustration of telepathy and its association with the fight/flight syndrome, here is a story told me by a student, Joanne, and verified by her family.

Joanne's older sister, who was engaged to a young man in Australia, was spending the weekend with friends when a cablegram from the fiance was phoned to the home, asking if everything was all right and to please communicate. Shortly afterward they heard from the elder sister's hostess that the girl had been in an accident, had totally wrecked

her car and, although not seriously hurt, was badly shaken up and not fit to return home.

The fiancé in Australia had been lounging in front of the television and had not received any "message" or image but had been overcome by an overwhelming sense of foreboding, so strong that he had been absolutely obliged to send the cable.

One of the classic cases was told to J. B. Rhine by a professor in graduate school. It illustrates strikingly the workings of telepathy:

Our family was awakened late one night by a neighbor who wanted to borrow a horse and buggy to drive nine miles to a neighboring village. The man said, apologetically, that his wife had been awakened by a horrible dream about her brother who lived in that village. It had so disturbed her that she insisted that he drive over She had seen this brother return home, take his team to the barn, unharness the animals and then go up in the hayloft and shoot himself with a pistol No reassurance could persuade her that it was only a nightmare. My father lent them a buggy (it was before the age of telephones) and they drove to her brother's house. There they found his wife still awaiting her husband's return, unaware of any disaster They went to the barn and found the horses unharnessed. They climbed to the hayloft and there was the body in the spot the sister had described from her dream It seemed as though she had dreamed every detail with photographic exactness.

Whether one sees an apparition, has a dream or simply experiences a powerful feeling of anxiety probably depends on circumstances and on the individual's constitution.

All apparitions are not dependent on telepathic cues. Some seem to be constructed of images stored in our

memories and produced by chemical interference. Let me tell you about my motorcyclist.

Late one December night, returning from a tiring journey, I began to realize that I was driving badly—wandering on the road, nearly missing turns. In the backseat my dog was whimpering as if in distress and as I pulled off the road to let him out, a man on a motorcycle appeared in the headlights—not riding but standing astride his parked bike, glaring at me with vicious hostility.

"I'm going to be murdered," I thought. But almost before the thought could register, the motorcyclist had vanished. He had not driven away; he had dematerialized. This was fairly scary but not as bad as a real murder-bent biker. The dog and I lurched out of the car and both of us were violently sick. When I got back into the car, I realized why: it was full of fumes. I hadn't noticed them until I came back from the fresh air. At the beginning of the trip I had bought a tin of starter-spray. Its cap was defective and the fumes had been leaking and poisoning us. The phantom cyclist, then, had been a false creation of my fumes-oppressed brain, as Macbeth might have diagnosed it had he been with us.

Why a biker? I think he came originally from a film my son and I watched one night on television. I thought the bikers were vicious, destructive, repulsive and stupid; my son thought they were godlike. I can't consciously remember the hairy monster I saw on the road in the film but I suspect that my mind picked up that particular image as a symbol of what I saw as a horrible threat. The biker-hero became a symbol of the dissidence in our family over the

internal-combustion engine.

I was also not very happy about stopping on a lonely road, late at night, with no protection but a sick dog. No doubt the fight/flight chemistry, combined with the fuddling effect of the starter-spray, created the conditions for hallucinating and the biker was selected from my memory to symbolize my fear.

Similarly, out-of-body experiences frequently occur when patients are anesthetized. They are also reported by survivors of accidents.

Over and over again we are confronted by the association: fear, danger, anger and the so-called supernatural. Consider the poltergeist, long believed to be a noisy spirit which troubled householders. We now know that poltergeist outbreaks occur when there is an individual in an acutely disturbed state which he is unable to articulate or understand. The repressed anger and fear seem to generate bursts of energy which produce the noises, the levitating crockery and so on.

Multiple-personality psychoses which

in the past were attributed to possession by evil spirits have much the same source as the poltergeist phenomenon: hysterical dissociation of part of the psyche in which severe conflicts are repressed. A good climate for producing both poltergeists and possession is a home with a stepparent whom the child fears and hates and who may torture and brutalize the child.

Psychokinetic effects have been produced under experimental conditions so there is no doubt that their origin is human, not supernatural. The experimentally-produced effects are much milder than the spontaneous ones because it is impossible to reproduce in laboratory conditions the violent emotions that create the spontaneous manifestations.

I have done no more than skim the surface of this enormous area. But the relationship between the chemistry of the fight/flight syndrome and "supernatural" phenomena seems inescapable—and worth serious study in a variety of disciplines.



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VELIKOVSKY IN RETROSPECT

“ON VIRTUALLY every specific point something could be found pro and something con, and the arguments either became highly technical or veered off into generalities. Neither critics nor supporters would admit to error, so that there was no way for the casual observer to decide whether one side was getting the better of the other.”

All noncombatants in the war between Immanuel Velikovsky's supporters and his critics will know exactly what Henry H. Bauer, who wrote these words, is referring to. And those of us who have hoped that one day a sensible, informed outside observer would come along to analyze the controversy and explain it to the rest of us can rejoice in the appearance of Bauer's *Beyond Velikovsky* (University of Illinois Press, Urbana, Ill., 1984, 354 pages, \$21.95). No better book has been written on the Velikovsky affair.

As many FATE readers know, Velikovsky (who died in 1979) sparked a fire storm of controversy when in 1950, in a book entitled *Worlds in Collision*, he proposed a radical theory which held that in the Second Millennium B.C. a comet was expelled from Jupiter, roamed the solar system and passed near the earth at 52-year intervals, causing enormous devastation. During its passage through the heavens the comet changed the orbit of Mars, causing it too to approach the earth. As this was happening, the sun pulled the comet into a planetary orbit and the comet became Venus.

In Velikovsky's view cosmic collisions are “implicit in the dynamics of the universe.” He contended that his theories explained not only the origin of Venus but the surface

features of the earth, Mars and the moon, the extinction of species, the building of mountains, the great migrations of peoples in the 15th and Eighth Centuries B.C. and the belief that Jews are the chosen people.

These ideas (on which Velikovsky would elaborate in subsequent works) flew in the face of a wide body of accepted knowledge in such well-established disciplines as physics, astronomy, chemistry and ancient history. Yet Velikovsky was neither a scientist nor a historian; he was a psychoanalyst. He was, however, extraordinarily well-read and erudite. To lay readers and even to a few specialists, his arguments seemed convincingly—indeed overwhelmingly—documented. Even before Macmillan, his original publisher, released *Worlds in Collision*, some observers were calling Velikovsky an intellectual titan to be ranked in the company of Newton, Darwin and Einstein.

But to a number of prominent scientists Velikovsky was a crank, possibly even a charlatan, whose ideas were not just wrong but dangerous. Not satisfied simply to attack him in print, some went so far as to threaten Macmillan with an economic boycott; to punish it for publishing *Worlds*, they would refuse to buy its textbooks. Macmillan responded by ceasing publication of Velikovsky's book (even though it was a best-seller) and by firing the editor who had handled the project. (The book was immediately republished by Doubleday, which had no textbook division and so was not susceptible to economic blackmail.) Meanwhile, after he prepared a show based on Velikovsky's theories, Hayden Planetarium head Gordon Atwater was fired on 15

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minutes' notice; a subsequent "blacklist" effectively ended his career in science education.

The vendetta did not end in 1950. In the years to come Velikovsky and his followers were subjected to criticism that was often vicious and unfair and they were repeatedly denied public forums in which they could state their case. The "Velikovsky affair," as it is called, echoes through 35 years.

On the surface at least, this seems a clear-cut matter of a lonely, brilliant heretic being victimized by the monstrous intolerance of a dogmatic scientific establishment. It is hard not to sympathize with Velikovsky, even if one finds his ideas unconvincing. Indeed anyone who believes in the integrity of science—or for that matter in the sanctity of free expression—can take no comfort from this sorry episode.

Ironically, much of the reason Velikovsky is remembered, unlike other exotic theorists (known to the uncharitable as "cranks"), has to do with the ferocious excesses of his critics. But as Dr. Bauer, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, remarks, "That the

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attacks on Velikovsky were made emotionally and in an 'unscientific' manner constitutes a case against some of his critics, not a case for Velikovsky."

In his review of the controversy Bauer does not spare the critics, of whom he writes, "They 'argued' dogmatically, *ex cathedra*, by analogy, *ad hominem*, with ridicule, in most every other way than by calm, comprehensive discussion of the relevant points." Yet he concludes that in the end "there was nothing unfair, no injustice, in the complete dismissal of Velikovsky's *ideas* by scientists, even after only quite cursory acquaintance with them."

Bauer arrives at this conclusion after a detailed reassessment of the issues, based in part on his reading of Velikovsky's 1946 monograph *Cosmos Without Gravitation* which "reveals Velikovsky to be ignorant of some of the most elementary ideas and approaches in physics and chemistry." Yet its ideas were incorporated into Velikovsky's later, better-known works. Bauer also documents Velikovsky's misuse of his source materials, his failure to grasp the rudiments of scientific methodology and his unjustified rejection of well-established knowledge.

Most interestingly to me, Bauer also argues that Velikovsky was no hero and was not even a particularly admirable man. In doing so, he carefully disclaims "any intention to insult or derogate Velikovsky the man," only "to show that various aspects of the affair reveal [him] to have characteristics that might well make one hesitant to take his work seriously, even without a detailed examination of the technical issues involved."

He shows that Velikovsky "projected an overwhelming sense of self-importance," portraying himself as a giant figure in intellectual history, boasting that he was never wrong even about minor matters, tolerating no dissent even from his sympathizers, seeing all criticism as evidence of a conspiracy against truth to which he alone was privy. These characteristics, Bauer writes, "are consistent with the notion of 'crank.'"

This judgment is harsh but Bauer's method of argument is so eminently restrained and civilized (restraint and civility heretofore having been largely absent from the writings of Velikovsky's critics) that even Velikovsky's supporters are unlikely to take offense. (In



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fact, in a quote printed on the dustjacket, C. Leroy Ellenberger, one of Velikovsky's ablest defenders, praises the book for its fairness and balance.)

Beyond Velikovsky should serve as a model for critical writing on controversial claims at the borders of science. It is a welcome relief from the tedious bluster of the Martin Gardners and the Isaac Asimovs of the world—the sorts of critics whose extreme responses afforded Velikovsky's theories a credibility they did not deserve. Bauer wryly notes the case of G. K. Chesterton who was converted to Christianity after reading atheists' denunciations and deciding that anything attacked so emotionally for so many contradictory reasons must have something to it.

The decency of Bauer's approach is best exemplified, I think, in his advice to all participants in the ongoing debates about anomalous claims: "Let us by all means criticize as foolish those notions that seem to us foolish but, no matter whether we like a particular individual or not, let us distinguish between the person and the ideas. Foolish ideas do not make a fool—if they did, we could all rightly be called fools."

PSI AND SCIENCE

ANOTHER BOOK reviewing an ongoing scientific controversy is James McClenon's *Deviant Science* (University of Pennsylvania Press, Philadelphia, Pa., 1984, 282 pages, \$14.95, paperback). McClenon, writing from the point of view of a sociologist of science, is concerned with the question

of why parapsychology has failed to achieve scientific legitimacy.

While Bauer's book is written in clear, lively prose, McClenon's reads like a barely-rewritten Ph.D. thesis. It is not a book for the casually interested. Even those who are more than casually interested in its subject may be put off by McClenon's lifeless manner of arguing his case.

But *Deviant Science* justifies whatever effort it takes to read it. Its author has much to say about why mainstream science still rejects parapsychology, how parapsychologists and their critics interact and how science's hostility has affected psi researchers. In common with other sociologists of science who have examined the issue (see, for example, Collins and Pinch's *Frames of Meaning*, reviewed in November 1982 FATE), McClenon argues that science's negative assessment of parapsychology is based less in rational analysis (which McClenon believes would show that there is credible evidence for psi and that parapsychologists are good scientists) than in science's metaphysical, ideological and organizational needs.

McClenon writes that skeptical critics see to it that *no* evidence for psi will ever be acceptable. "Parapsychology's struggle with its critics," he says, "precludes the possibility of a 'perfect' experiment proving the existence of psi, since in principle it is always possible to require a further degree of exactitude or precaution. Methodological advances in research oriented toward producing proofs merely evoke new rhetorical

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OTHER REVIEWS

MANY HAPPY RETURNS by W. H. Church, Harper & Row, Publishers, San Francisco, Calif., 1984, 240 pages, \$14.95.

Most books on past-life memories and reincarnation are extraordinarily naive. Not only is transmigration (or metempsychosis) a complex philosophical issue, it cannot be adequately explained unless there is strong empirical evidence to support it. When such data are lacking, as is usually the case, reincarnation turns from being a hypothesis for scientific study to a religious belief to be wholly accepted or rejected. The result is a plethora of glib accounts of individuals who recount their past lives. But almost none of these "remembrances" can be proven authentic because more plausible psychological explanations are not hard to find. (See D. Scott Rogo's "Adventures in Make-Believe?", December 1982 FATE.)

Many Happy Returns is a classic example of excessive naivete. Although W. H. Church should be congratulated for his painstaking work in collating the material on Edgar Cayce's past-life readings (the book is subtitled "The Lives of Edgar Cayce"), his book is simply unbelievable. Nor is it scientifically reliable; the author confesses to having "added" to and "developed" the readings. It is not even interesting.

What we have is a series of stories concerning Cayce's previous incarnations in Egypt, Troy, Greece and other places. But through each successive "life" the reader, instead of becoming convinced of the readings' accuracy, becomes wearily suspicious. Is it really reasonable to believe that Cayce was Pythagoras in a previous existence just because there happen to be certain similarities between the two lives?

Reincarnation studies, for the most part, lack a strong critical edge. The principle of "Occam's razor" (the scientific-philosophical rule that requires that the simplest of competing theories be preferred to the more

complex or that explanations of unknown phenomena be sought first in terms of *known* quantities) should be applied whenever possible in past-life regressions. If not, we end up with narratives like Cayce's which at best are unprovable and at worst highly misleading.

There may indeed be some truth to the concept of transmigration. But *Many Happy Returns* only glosses over the numerous contradictions in Cayce's past-life readings in order to convince the reader that reincarnation is viable. Moreover, Cayce's concept of metempsychosis is convoluted, typical of a Western Theosophical influence, where Indian philosophy gets inappropriately connected with Christian eschatology.

For instance, in Chapter 16 Church tries to argue for the Second Coming of Christ based on Cayce's trance readings predicting his future birth. But this link entirely misunderstands the Eastern notion of successive lives. A devout Hindu mystic does *not* want to fulfill the world, he wants to transcend it. Reincarnation in Eastern philosophy is a curse where one is locked in a karmic wheel of birth and rebirth, action and reaction.

The title of Church's book itself exemplifies the very thing religious Hindus, Buddhists and Sikhs fear. Rather than wishing "Many Happy Returns" to Edgar Cayce, in the Orient one would wish him "no more returns." As for the reader, unless he has an avid interest in Cayce, the only happy return is at the refund counter.—*David Christopher Lane.*

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES by Stan Barker, Llewellyn Publications, St. Paul, Minn., 1984, 303 pages, \$12.95, paperback.

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Together with most of his colleagues, astrologer Stan Barker, author of *The Signs of the Times*, asserts that Neptune's influence is upon the undercurrents of our popular culture. During the Vietnam era, for instance, when Neptune was in Scorpio, the temper of our times was Scorpionic. Today's neoconservative mood is quite in keeping with the fact that Neptune, which changes signs about every 14 years, has just moved into Capricorn.

Back in the 1960's, my Bohemian period, we street people had it all a bit different. We were flower children, we supposed, because of our natal Neptune-placements in Libra. We pondered long in those days on the likely destinies of the "Nept-in-Scorp" generation just then coming up hard on our heels and of the "Nept-in-Sadges" beginning to be born, often as not out of wedlock, among us. Now comes Barker, giving the same question his best shot in prose which, if not stylish, is certainly lucid and intelligent. It is also frequently undisciplined and at times downright crack-brained.

Barker is passionately in love both with astrology and with America's cultural history. Any writer who can cogently assess, in a book about astrology, the impact on our national consciousness of the colonial invasion of Louisbourg, Nova Scotia, or the impact of paddle wheel steamboats on Victorian architecture has obviously done his homework. At the same time we can only smile when we read that the emergence of the "bull market," the "John Bull" stereotypical Englishman and Bull Durham tobacco are phenomena only to be expected with Neptune's transit of Taurus.

Barker's favorite form of argument is false analogy; teleologists and paranoids everywhere will love this book. Yet, strangely enough, I—who consider myself neither—liked this book and the author too, when all was said and done. Be he right or wrong in his flights of fancy, Stan Barker is an

imaginative, original writer. *The Signs of the Times*, a big and ambitious book, is calculated to make its readers think.—*Garman Lord.*

THE DISCOVERY OF KING ARTHUR by Geoffrey Ashe, Anchor Press/Doubleday, Garden City, N.Y., 1985, 226 pages, \$18.95.

In *The Discovery of King Arthur* the distinguished British historian Geoffrey Ashe may have solved a centuries-old mystery.

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of supposedly authoritative conclusions can greatly impede the search for truth. The key to Ashe's identification lies in an ancient Breton manuscript. It had long been overlooked because an eminent scholar once declared that sources on the European continent were irrelevant. Ironically, Ashe also discovered that an 18th-Century scholar had correctly identified Arthur but then had veered away from the insight because of dating errors.

My only complaint about this excellent book is that the price seems outrageously high for a slim "hardcover" made of cardboard and glue. But perhaps if Ashe is right and he *has* answered one of history's great questions—and I must say I find his case convincing—I shouldn't be quibbling.—*Michael T. Shoemaker.*

THE EVIDENCE FOR THE BERMUDA TRIANGLE by David Group, The Aquarian Press, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, England, 1984, 160 pages, \$5.95, paperback.

Looking at the cover of *The Evidence for*

the Bermuda Triangle—it shows ships and other objects being sucked down into a gigantic vortex—I thought, "Oh, no, not another trashy Triangle book." But as the cliché goes, you can't judge a book by its cover and this one is a lot better than its cover.

One of a series of "Evidence for" books edited by Hilary Evans and published in conjunction with Britain's Association for the Scientific Study of Anomalous Phenomena, *Triangle* isn't so much a scientific study as a reasonably careful and concise compilation of the best, most interesting or most famous of the "mysteries" generally associated with the Bermuda Triangle.

David Group says that, while a few of the cases he cites are well known, most are not. In fact, readers versed in the Triangle literature will be familiar with most, if not all, of the disappearances he mentions. He provides a useful list of references to cases he does not cover.

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core Triangle buffs may be disappointed because Group does not lean heavily toward paranormal or bizarre explanations. For example, in the discussion of the "mystery" of Flight 19, the longest single case in the book, Group appears to accept completely Larry Kusche's well-researched and completely natural explanation for the tragedy (see Kusche's *The Disappearance of Flight 19* [1980]). No UFOs, no mysterious magnetic forces, just pilot error and ground-station confusion.

In addition to the disappearances Group has a chapter called "The Witnesses" which gives accounts of a variety of odd phenomena that have been sighted in or been associated in some other way with the Bermuda Triangle area. These include masses of bubbling water, eerie and unexplained fogs, sudden losses of power aboard ships and the like. These cases are less well known and provide more interesting reading than the well-worn accounts of disappearances.

In his "Personal Assessment" the author states cautiously but firmly that he is unimpressed by the "evidence for" the Triangle because most of the disappearances are not really mysterious and a lot of them took place outside the Triangle area anyway.

But he does try to salvage a mystery from amid all the mundane explanations. "What a study of the Bermuda Triangle incidents indicates," he writes, "is that the special circumstances of the Triangle region—the very heavy traffic, the unique environmental factors, the meteorological conditions pertaining to those latitudes—combine to provide a setting which is particularly favorable to the occurrence of anomalous incidents, but more importantly it indicates that there are certain forces of the earth that can distort, or even supersede, our conception of reality as perceived by our senses."

Unfortunately Group's book supports that conclusion only to the extent that it shows people make mistakes for a variety of reasons, some not fully understood. That's not a terribly exciting conclusion.

Still, if you feel you need another Bermuda Triangle book, this one isn't bad.—*Daniel Cohen*.



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OTHER PERSPECTIVES

Several questions must be raised if we are to keep Alvin Lawson's interesting theory that UFO abductions are relived birth memories in perspective ("UFO Abductions or Birth Memories?", March 1985 FATE).

(1) By his count, only about a third of the humanoids in abduction accounts are described as resembling a human fetus or embryo. On the assumption that the other two-thirds look more like adults, why do some people imagine their abductors looking like their former obstetricians and some as their former fetal selves? How did the latter group know what their fetal selves looked like when the memory was formed?

(2) In cases where more than one person experiences essentially the same abduction at the same time (e.g., entire families), what are the odds that several people would choose the exact same moment to relive the memory of birth?

(3) What is the explanation for physical evidence of abductions—burns and welts on the body and landing traces on the ground?

Like other theories put forward to explain UFO abductions, Professor Lawson's may well account for some—but certainly not all—of these intriguing events.—*Philip Rife, Lancaster, Pa.*

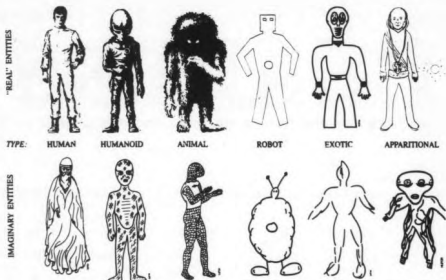
THE AUTHOR REPLIES:

Philip Rife and others who object to the birth-trauma hypothesis (BTH) should remember that the theory is valuable for what it *does* explain; it cannot be invalidated by

what it does *not* explain. To respond to Rife's questions:

(1) Why abductees describe particular types of entities is unknown. I have elsewhere described the six classes of beings reported in CE-III's: human, humanoid, animal, robot, exotic and apparitional. Fetal humanoids are the most numerous single class and there would be more of these if abduction cases were more completely investigated. Fetal creatures appear in cultural traditions worldwide—cherubim, imps and elves, for example. Thus abductees' fetal entities are not unique. Psychiatrist Stanislav Grof's work suggests that each entity type is associated with a particular set of prenatal emotional situations which later are given distinct entity form—human, animal, etc. I can buy that. As I pointed out in my article, infants are born with the ability to mimic adult behavior (sticking out tongue, moving arms and hands) for which a strong body image is essential. Fetuses spend six to eight months touching and feeling their bodies; they know their form at birth.

(2) I know of no multiple-witness CE-III in which witnesses have described the experience in "essentially the same" way. Rather, each witness narrates a highly subjective event. Where identical data do occur, as in the Andreasson, Hills and Pascagoula cases, they are either trivial or the probable result of witness prompting. Finally, I did not imply that witnesses "choose" to relive their births. As I indicated, Arthur Janov's work indicates that many people have an unconscious need



Six categories of UFO creatures come from reports of many "real" and some imaginary abductions. All alleged UFO aliens can be classified in one of these groups.

to relive their births. More rigorous abduction investigation methods are needed to convince me that multiple-witness CE-III case data are reliable enough for generalizing about the abduction phenomenon. On the other hand, we do have evidence of *folie a deux* (two persons sharing a similar delusional idea) and other simultaneous psychological manifestations. Why not also birth revivifications?

(3) All physical evidence in CE-IIIs is ambiguous. The rare instances of physiological aftereffects are interesting but they are not *proof* of anything. As many psychiatric studies have shown, welts, bruises and other body marks can be induced hypnotically—that is, by the witness' own conscious or unconscious needs or reactions.

Until the birth-trauma hypothesis is disproved, I will be forced to continue in my view that abductions are fascinating but mundane—i.e., earthbound—events.—*Alvin H. Lawson, Garden Grove, Calif.*

I believe that Alvin Lawson's theory that unconscious memories of birth or "birth trauma" lie at the base of UFO abduction

reports has merit. However, this theory in no way discredits the existence of extraterrestrials or the idea that UFO abductions take place. What it may indicate is the extraordinary power extraterrestrials have over the conscious and subconscious mind.

In a number of UFO abduction incidents, the abductees had no conscious memory of the abduction. Only under hypnosis was the subconscious "memory" able to reveal the abduction event. If extraterrestrials have the power to block the conscious memory, why not also the power to program the subconscious into "believing" a birth trauma fantasy which would mask the actual event?

Extraterrestrials would also have the intelligence to realize that such theories as Lawson's would be used to discount their existence and thus they have used the subconscious programming as a secondary safeguard along with conscious memory blocking.—*David R. Glaser, Gretna, La.*

There is more than one interpretation for the data Professor Lawson has collected. The strange doors that the abductees see as

"whooshing open" and closing easily he compares to the cervix opening during labor. The ease of this operation is highly distorted and apparently distorted by all of his respondents. The cervix dilates slowly, sometimes taking hours. Even the breech birth he cites, although the subject's position was correct, was amazingly easy. If such memories are possible, everyone would recall images of being swallowed by a tunnel, blood and pressure from the womb's muscular contractions. As a student nurse, I have been present at three births and know that all natural-born people, if birth memory exists, would recall head pressure. The bones of the infant's skull are compressed to allow passage through the vagina and the soft spot at the top of the head closes only when the child is about a year old.

The birth images Professor Lawson describes are all adult-oriented and ring false. The reports sound like adults imagining being born.—*Frances Haas, Manchester, Conn.*

SAUCER INTELLIGENCES?

Bruce Maccabee, in his series "UFOs—Still Unexplained," offers a potentially useful idea in his system of three categories based on the "evidence of intelligence" shown by the UFO. Such a three-category system—essentially yes, no and in-between—may work in a field where the data are exact. However . . .

(1) He places UFO sightings into his system according to his opinion of the possibility of intelligence. His opinion seems heavily slanted toward this possibility and does not take into account generally-accepted findings of nonenthusiasts.

(2) His "in-between" category he defines as for reports that "might" be unexplained natural events but "might" be an unknown intelligence, but he terms this category "Probable Evidence of Intelligence." His third category includes reports wherein "the probability [of intelligence] is quite high" in his opinion but he exaggerates by terming this "Definite Evidence of Intelligence."

In other words, Maccabee calls incidents of possible intelligence "probable" and incidents of probable intelligence "definite." What, then, would he call incidents that reveal "definite" proof of intelligence? No problem. In almost 40 years not one single generally-accepted UFO sighting has uncovered "definite" proof of intelligence.

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Maccabee, with slippery terminology and facile categories, thus manages to slither around this glaring deficiency which stymies the credibility of UFO enthusiasts.—*Robert Wanderer, San Francisco, Calif.*

THE AUTHOR REPLIES:

I would agree with Robert Wanderer that perhaps I have misused the words "probable" and "definite" in relation to the level of probability that a particular UFO shows evidence of nonhuman intelligence. Perhaps "probable" should be reserved for probabilities greater than 50 percent and "definite" for probability approaching unity.

It appears, however, that Wanderer has confused two probabilities which are distinct: one is the probability that nonhuman intelligence is involved in *unexplained* UFO cases; the other is the probability that *any particular case* is actually unexplained.

As I see it, if there are any UFO cases that are (and forever remain) unexplainable in terms of currently accepted scientific knowledge, then either the UFOs reported are currently unknown natural (read "unintelligent") phenomena or they are evidence of intelligent phenomena (read "nonhuman intelligence"). It is reasonable to accept this division of unexplainable UFOs into two types for purposes of discussion. Given that there is an unexplained case, then, one can attempt to assign a probability that nonhuman intelligence is involved. The tough part, which Wanderer evidently doesn't buy, is to accept the idea that there is even one UFO case that cannot be explained (what I have defined as a TRUFO: true UFO).

Wanderer asks how I would designate incidents that reveal definite proof of intelligence. Then he pretends to answer that question—but he doesn't really (because obviously I would say "Definite Evidence of Intelligence"). The question Wanderer answers is quite different: "Is there a UFO case which is generally accepted as proof of intelligence?" He answers that there is "not a single generally-accepted" case showing "definite" proof of intelligence." This is true, of course, because those reports that definitely indicate nonhuman intelligence (daylight close encounters with structured objects, sightings of creatures, etc.) are not generally accepted as unexplained or unexplainable.

This general nonacceptance also applies to UFOs that might be unknown natural phenomena. It is this nonacceptance, despite credible evidence, and not my "slippery terminology and facile categories" that undermines the credibility of ufology.—*Bruce Maccabee, Silver Spring, Md.*

PRAISE FROM CAESAR

D. Scott Rogo's report of the November 1984 annual meeting of the Committee for Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal ("Sitting With the Skeptics," March 1985 FATE) was essentially correct and fairly presented. However, FATE readers should know that a few of his observations need modification.

The "conference volunteer" who button-holed Rogo at the check-in desk was a burden to us all. And the Bible-thumper who pressed leaflets on all and sundry was no less a nuisance, neither foreseen nor CSICOP-sanctioned.

CSICOP believes that the Erich von Daniken "mystery" is a silly horse but not a dead one, as Rogo assumes. If the reading public were not still taking von Daniken's ideas seriously, his books would not be infesting the bookshelves. Thus, Dr. Roger Culver's attack at the conference on the "ancient astronaut" notion was informative for persons unaware of the exposures of that hoax.

Rogo may have misunderstood Philip J. Klass' conference call for the National Science Foundation to organize a UFO investigative panel. It is a sound and sensible idea. CSICOP member Klass did not suggest—to quote Rogo—"Matters of scientific fact can be resolved by vote." Scientific facts are determined by careful investigation of evidence and where possible by experimentation. That was the intention behind Klass' suggestion.

As for the "young pilot who complained to Hynek that he had never seen a UFO," I must agree that such a statement made no point and served no cause. The pilot's comment was not made on behalf of CSICOP.

Rogo apparently expected "excitement" and more than one "fiery debate" to flavor the conference and was disappointed when none came. CSICOP did not intend to create a show biz atmosphere at the expense of



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serious discussion on paranormal claims. We regret that Rogo's need for entertainment went unfulfilled.

The Committee extends thanks to Dr. J. Allen Hynek, William Roll and others who entered "the enemy camp" at CSICOP's invitation. By meeting our opposites in this confrontation, we begin to understand them better and we hope that they—and D. Scott Rogo—begin to understand us as well.—*James Randi, Rumson, N. J.*

LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP

It is sad to read a letter like that from Edward Lopez of North Hollywood, Calif., who fancies himself an Archie DeBunker ("Report from the Readers," February 1985 FATE). He belittles Jack P. Swaney's moon object sketches—but how can he claim they are not to scale if he hasn't seen the objects? Such a negative attitude just harms the effort to bring these important discoveries to the attention of the public.

Those of us who regularly use telescopes and have clearly seen the moon objects many times can tell that Lopez is not familiar with telescopes and has not devoted any time to looking before proclaiming Swaney's sketches are a joke on FATE readers.

The truth is that the objects are really there! Anyone who looks in earnest can see them.—*Felix A. Bach, Greensburg, Pa.*

ROME EXONERATED

Carl E. Gustafson ("Report from the Readers," January 1985 FATE) disagrees with my exoneration of Pontius Pilate for the death of Jesus. He apparently has overlooked Pilate's statement concerning Jesus: "I find in him no fault at all." In John 19:4 Pilate again affirms: "... I find no fault in him." These words clearly defend Jesus.

On the other hand, in John 11:50 the high priest Caiaphas says, "... It is expedient for us that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not." And John 11:53: "Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death."

All four gospels indicate that Jesus was troublesome to the church, not to Rome. His teachings and popularity alarmed the priests and they decided they had to get rid of him.—*Domingo Valcarcel, New York, N. Y.*

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As interesting and informative as it was, the article "Pygmies and Giants" by Jim Miles (March 1985 FATE) would have been better if the writer had been familiar with Prof. Barry Fell's books *America B.C.* and *Bronze Age America*.

Miles gives considerable space to the Adena culture and the mounds and could have enriched his article if he had related that the Grove Creek Mound at Moundsville, W. Va., was opened in 1838 and at a depth of 60 feet an inscribed tablet was discovered. Ignorant of ancient forms of writing and languages, archaeologists were unable to decipher it until recently. It now has been found to be in the Punic language spoken in the First Millennium B.C. in parts of Spain. Translated, it reads:

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Barbara Hayden believes the mummy found in the Valley of the Kings is Joseph because Genesis 50:26 states: “So Joseph died, being an hundred and ten years old: and they embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.”

It is true he was buried in Egypt but Exodus 13:19 says: “And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him: for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saying . . . and ye shall carry up my bones away hence with you.”

Thus it is clear in the Bible that when Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt, the body of Joseph went with them.—*Carol Anderson, San Diego, Calif.*

ON HOME TURF

Awhile back I received my Winter 1984-85 issue of *The Skeptical Inquirer*, CSICOP's journal. In an introductory article, editor Kendrick Frazier observes that Erich von Daniken's “ancient astronauts” are ancient history. As an enthusiastic student of the ancient astronaut hypothesis, I was just recovering from that when I received the March 1985 issue of FATE. In his report on the 1984 CSICOP conference, D. Scott Rogo refers to the ancient astronaut idea as “a dead horse if ever there was one.” I'm stunned.

The Ancient Astronaut Society is based on FATE magazine's home turf—Highland Park, Ill.—and is not only well but thriving. All one need do to get an update on what's going on in the field is telephone (312) 432-6230. Rogo is entitled to his opinion, of course, but facts are another matter.—*Stuart W. Greenwood, College Park, Md.*

ON WRONG TURF

I'm afraid FATE readers in Arizona will object to Phyllis Jane Marinelli's “Mysterious Voice Heard and Heeded” (March 1985 FATE). She gave the town of Holbrook to New Mexico.—*Cecil D. Clayton, Slaughters, Ky.*

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I would like to hear from FATE readers who have information on wearing cone-shaped hats for health or using cones for psychic experiments.—*Edwin Herman, 3803 Clark's Lane, Baltimore, Md. 21215.*

I am especially interested in cryptozoology—that is, the study of unknown animals such as Bigfoot, phantom panthers, hell hounds, lake and sea creatures and Mokele-Mbembe. If any FATE readers have had encounters with one of these animals or any other misplaced creature, please write me. Total anonymity will be granted to those who desire it.—*Beth Robbins, P. O. Box 43518, Richmond Heights, Ohio 44143.*

I am a deaf person working part-time with the deaf in the St. Louis area as a volunteer counselor-teacher. I have a master's degree in Deaf Education and have been in the field for 14 years.

I am not a psychic but have been metaphysically inclined for some years. I give spiritual advice to the deaf when it is asked for—but I wonder if a psychic reading would help more. I am thinking of an experiment—asking psychic FATE readers to volunteer to do the readings with me acting as go-between.—*Paul S. Pyers, Jr., 611 W. Beecher, Jacksonville, Ill. 62650.*

Does anyone know the address of the manufacturer of a Septagon to be used with a crystal? Also, does anyone know of a "Crystal Brotherhood"?—*Deon Frey, Merchandise Mart, Box 3845, Chicago, Ill. 60654.*

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CREATIVE VISUALISATION:

How to Make It Work For You

by Jolene Anderson

Almost all books on the subject of visualisation have one thing in common: they don't work. Try as one may nothing happens for the reader, and it is usually difficult to get the "mental pictures" to occur in the first place. We are now proud to announce the availability of a book that, at long last, demonstrates a totally PRACTICAL and realistic approach to the subject. Visualisation, says the author, usually fails because of the **rigidity of the process** expounded by its proponents. She dismisses such rigidity in her book, and demonstrates, simply, how Creative Visualisation can be a **totally exciting, stimulating and individually unique experience**. When visualisation becomes orientated towards the visualiser's needs, says Miss Anderson, controlled mental pictures begin flowing easily.

But what is so important about **Creative Visualisation** in the first place? The answer is simple: visualisation is the **most essential aspect of all occult and personal psychology**; without it you cannot progress in any phase of these subjects. However, you do not have to be an occult student to benefit from its application: **anyone** can use it, and as a result gain virtually anything that is desired in life.

Creative Visualisation, correctly employed, **definitely WORKS**, declares Miss Anderson. What **doesn't** work is the usual vague and general instruction on the subject found in most books. Here in this book are PRACTICAL... WORKABLE methods of making visualisation effective. These methods and techniques are geared to the **individual needs and preferences of the reader**. Instead of being an arduous affair visualisation becomes, thanks to these techniques, an exciting and **fun-filled** experience. You will **look forward** to visualising rather than treating it as a difficult necessity. Never, will you think, that visualisation could be like this! But "like this" it is: with the author's guidance you can become **superbly proficient** in its use within days or weeks! Here are some of the points you can read about in this book:

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Some readers reading this ad may still be unsure of what exactly is "Creative Visualisation". Simply defined, it is the elementary act of **mentally picturing something you want in life in the belief that by so doing you will gain it**. This is the basic message of all "positive thinking" books. It is not witchcraft: only simple psychology. The only trouble is that visualising, as simple as it sounds, is usually not quite so easy to do. Saying "visualise" is usually easier to say than to do. This exciting new book makes it **easier to do than say!** However, visualisation shouldn't be just the special preoccupation of a few people - IT SHOULD BE UNDERSTOOD AND USED BY EVERYONE WHO CARES ABOUT THEIR FUTURE HAPPINESS AND WELFARE!

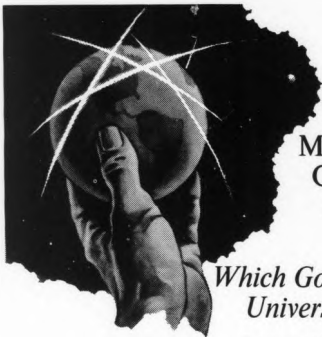
There are some astonishing revelations in this book that no thinking person should refuse to consider. Never, in the history of man, has it been so important, as it is now, to understand and use the powers of mind for **protection and self-preservation**. And for those who think that Creative Visualisation is an insignificant matter, not of scientific value or import in daily affairs, the author shows how you can **positively prove the power of visualisation to change your circumstances within one week!** Yes - you can test this power - and get a **positively ascertainable answer within seven days!** The Creative Visualisation in this book is **demonstrable** - and can be **positively tried and tested!**

Miss Anderson does not claim that all and sundry wishes can be fulfilled through this power. She says that money, love, gambling, health goals can be achieved, but **only on condition that the reader understands the basic usage of the power**. She examines case histories of people who failed to obtain their desires with visualisation, outlining **exactly** where they went wrong. She guides the reader, like a close friend rather than a teacher, through avoiding the pitfalls and disappointments so that the reader will obtain **only success**, rather than failure, with visualisation.

This book is above all else, PRACTICAL - not the "pie-in-the-sky" stuff of other books. **No person interested in mind power should be without a copy**, and anyone interested in seeking a relatively quick way of achieving his heart's desires should not waste a moment in ordering this invaluable book.

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