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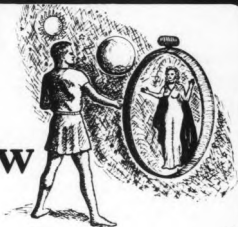
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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

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—Mark Twain

IT LOOKS almost as if fire walking is becoming a national sport. All over the country, but especially in the West, groups of people are learning to think positively by plunging across the glowing coals. What a change from the days when travelers returning from exotic places like Fiji and India recounted stories about entranced mystics who walked unscathed across beds of white-hot coals and no one believed them.

Now, in Phoenix, Ariz., Tom Bell is leading "everyday folks" across the coals. Bell learned his technique as one of 35 fire-walk leaders trained by Tolly Burkan of Twain Harte, Calif. Burkan's students, it is claimed, have taught more than 30,000 persons across the country, from Oregon to New York, to try the coals at \$50 and \$60 each. In southern California Tony Robbins of the Robbins Research Institute of Beverly Hills claims that in 10 months he has taught fire walking to 4500 students (at \$100 each). In Chaparral, N. Mex., Mary Benati of the *El Paso Times* watched a

group of 52 persons form a circle under the leadership of Tom Bell and walk through the fire.

"They all had to listen for an inner voice to say walk or don't walk," she writes.

"Thirty-two of them apparently heard a voice that said, 'Don't.' "



BIOCHEMICAL PROCESS

IT SEEMS A question of mind over matter. Or is it? Fire walking was practiced seriously before it ever became a fad in this country in a large area that extends from Greece and Bulgaria, through the Near East, across India and west as far as Fiji. It always involved trance states, chants and formalized rituals.

Formal rites also accompany American fire walking. At a minimum, walking over fire demonstrates the power of positive thinking, say the teachers. Andrew Weil, a fire walker and physician, told Rick McCourt of *Science* 85, "Whether or not you get hurt by things out there depends on things in here"—tapping his head. Elmer Green, a Menninger Clinic psychologist who studies yogis, says only that yogis "claim" to use concen-

tration to control the heat-induced molecular "vibrations" in the cells of their feet.

McCourt quotes Fiedbert Karger of the Max Planck Institute for Plasma Physics in Munich as saying, "It's part of paranormal phenomena. If normal physics were operating there [in Fiji] there would be heavily burned feet." Tony Robbins believes that thought can create biochemical-electrical processes that affect the way the body's flesh molecules react to extreme heat. Others, like Tom Bell's groups, stand in a circle around the fire and chant such things as "Release your mind, release your mind, release your mind," over and over again. "Fears," says Bell, "are self-made and the only conqueror is 'self.'" "On the rare occasions when fire walkers are burned they say they have had "the wrong thoughts."

SOME RITUAL!

THE MIND has nothing to do with it, reply some physicists who have walked the coals and studied the practice. Although scientists at first doubted the existence of fire walking, they now say that of course it occurs but it's all perfectly natural.

Jearl Walker, a physics professor at Cleveland State University, learned to fire walk in 1975 and has done it half a dozen times since for his classes. He writes, "I'm amused by folks who think they have to pay money and chant chants and go through courses to learn how to do this. I usually drink a beer, think about sex and let my mind go random before I do it."

Walker claims the so-called Leidenfrost effect explains fire walking. It also explains why water dropped on a surface of less than 200 degrees Celsius

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will evaporate quickly but if dropped on a surface hotter than 200 degrees it will bead, skate along the surface and evaporate less quickly. He says that at the higher temperatures the bottom of the water drops vaporizes and forms a protective insulation between the rest of the drop and the water surface. Where does the water come from in fire walking? Feet sweat, the sweat vaporizes and forms the protective layer Walker describes. Obviously, nervous students fire walking for the first time are apt to sweat copiously.

Bernard Leikind, a UCLA plasma physicist, agrees only in part. He thinks that the "Leidenfrost effect" plays a role but he also believes that, despite their high temperature, wood coals don't contain as much heat as it would appear and in addition they are not very good heat conductors. Heat aluminum to that temperature, he warns, and you'll find serious burns.



"IT'S FANTASTIC"

DR. WEIL, author of the book *Health and Healing* (reviewed in this issue of FATE), says the Leidenfrost effect may explain short walks but "I don't think it explains the real thing in Asia, people who dance on coals and 25-foot beds and carry other people." He believes that when people are in a state of controlled relaxation heat energy can be conducted away from the skin by the nerves.

Whether fire walking is possible for physical or mental reasons, however, the people who participate seem to reap positive benefits.

Valerie Kirkgaard, a Pasadena therapist, told Rogers Worthington of the

Chicago Tribune, "It's fantastic. If all my clients did this they wouldn't need me anymore."

Worthington also quotes Anne Clark Ruderman, another successful fire walker: "I wanted to shake my belief system to the roots. I came away with a deep sense of my own power."

Therese Lotz, a fire walker at Chaparral, says that the walk proved to her she could do anything. And Danielle Moses, another Chaparral walker, asserts, "This is something to experience and delight in. It adds to the gusto of my life. Besides, I'm an artist. You know how we are."

Some of the fire walkers cried, Mary Benati wrote, "not from pain, but because they had done it."

It is quite possible, of course, that both the fire walkers and the physicists are right. Recent research in France and Canada by Alfred Tomatis, a French physician, reveals that such activities as Gregorian chants have recharging effects on mind and body.



IS THIS THE YEAR?

ENTER THIS on your calendar if you believe in predictions: Jeane Dixon has forecast that shocking and unexplainable natural phenomena will shake the world in 1985. There will be three days and three nights of darkness. "At that time, those alive will wish they were dead," she wrote. "I am not certain what will cause this phenomenon It could be something directed by other forces out in space."

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"In late June," *Science* 84 has pointed out, "when the sun is supposed to be in the constellation Cancer according to traditional astrology, it is actually one constellation over, in Gemini. Gemini is really Taurus. Taurus is Aries, and so on." As a result most of the horoscopes in the popular press apply to a different sign from the one assigned to birthdays.



THE MYSTERY CLOUD

SHORTLY after 1:00 P.M. on April 9, 1984, pilots of five separate commercial airliners en route from Tokyo to Anchorage, Alaska, observed a gigantic mushroom-shaped cloud about 180 miles off the island of Honshu, Japan. The cloud caused so much concern among the experienced flight crews that the captain of one of the airliners, a veteran with 41 years' experience, immediately put his crew on oxygen as a precautionary measure and issued a Mayday alert to Anchorage International Flight Service.

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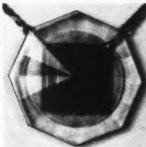
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D. A. Walker, C. S. McCreery and F. J. Oliveira of the Hawaii Institute of Geophysics, University of Hawaii, were commissioned to research this unusual event by the Physical and Geophysical Sciences Directorate of the Air Force Office of Scientific Research. In the February 8 issue of *Science* they report that the event remains a modern mystery.

They describe the cloud as moving rapidly up and away from a stratiform layer of clouds at about 14,000 feet, eventually reaching an altitude of over 50,000 feet and a diameter of more than 200 miles. At first the witnesses thought they might have seen the explosion of a nuclear submarine but no fireball or flash was observed. Examination of the planes on their arrival at Anchorage showed no sign of radioactivity. There were no unusual effects on the flight instrumentation. The Air Self-Defense Force of Japan showed no abnormal levels of radioactivity. Recordings from an array of 11 hydrophones located on the seafloor off Wake Island indicated no single large underwater explosion from this or other locations at the time of the sightings or in the hours preceding them. A great deal of activity was noted south of Japan and estimated to be in the Volcano Islands there just before and during the sightings but the projected volcanic sea mount is 1470 kilometers distant and the winds were in the wrong direction.

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A TESLA WEAPON?

COMMON WISDOM assures us that for every effect there must be a cause. Air force researchers insist the mystery cloud was produced either by an (as yet) unknown natural phenomenon or by a man-made atmospheric explosion.

But two former military men believe they know the answer, according to Ross Gelbspan of the *Boston Globe*. One of these men, Thomas E. Bearden, a retired army lieutenant colonel and expert in high technology, is known to FATE readers because of his unor-

thodox views on UFOs. The other is Stefan Possony, a former air force intelligence officer. They both are convinced that the cloud resulted from the Soviet Union's testing of a beam weapon unknown to American scientists and officials.

Bearden works on weapons analysis and artificial-intelligence systems. He told Gelbspan that the cloud was caused by a "Tesla-type" weapon. Possony agrees. "Once the [Tesla] physics are validated—and they have been in a way—then their various applications are almost secondary," Possony told Gelbspan. "The event off Japan really is a warning that somebody can do something we don't know about."

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of the nuclear and electronic space revolutions." He urged the defense establishment to pursue Tesla's work.

Prominent physics and weapons analysts are skeptical, however. Richard Garwin, a weapons analyst with IBM in New York, stated flatly, "There is absolutely no credence [sic] to that Tesla stuff."

Kosta Tsipis, an arms specialist at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, declared, "Bearden is off the deep end."

What is beyond dispute, though, is that the crews of five trans-Pacific airlines saw a gigantic mushroom-shaped cloud with strange characteristics at about the same time on April 9, 1984. And no one knows what caused it.



WHOSE NEMESIS?

NO CLAIM in recent years has excited so much scientific controversy as that proposed by Walter Alvarez and his colleagues, who hold that the extinction of the dinosaurs at the end of the Cretaceous age more than 60 million years ago was caused by the collision of a large celestial object with the earth.

Out of this controversy a whole flurry of additions, corrections and counter theories have arisen. A refinement of the original theory has been the idea that extinctions occur about every 26 million years and therefore something that drastically affects the earth must occur with a 26-million-year periodicity.

A group at Alvarez's University of California-Berkeley has proposed that the sun may have an invisible companion which the scientists have named "Nemesis." They suggest that Nemesis



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is a dark star which orbits the sun at 26-million-year intervals and in so doing disturbs a cloud of comets which surround the solar system and sends millions of them out in orbit and into collision with the various planets.

Now Dr. Armand Delsemme, a Belgian-born astronomer at the University of Toronto, has calculated a possible location for Nemesis in the constellation Draco not far from the Little Dipper. Delsemme does not believe Nemesis has to be a star. He thinks it could be a giant planet 20 to 60 times more massive than Jupiter. Meanwhile astronomers have started to search in the region identified by Dr. Delsemme's calculations.



SWEEPING SPACE

SPACE DEBRIS includes asteroids, comets, meteors, cosmic dust and gases—you name it. There have been cometary and asteroid collisions with the earth many times in the past and earth craters exist to prove it; so do the craters on the moon. Optimists hope that in its 12 to 20 billion years of orbiting the sun, the earth has swept up most of the heavyweight stuff but since there are thousands of asteroids out there, some of them hundreds of kilometers in diameter, there's no assurance that this is the case. As for meteors, they swarm in by the thousands every day. The problem arises when some larger celestial body disturbs the orbits of the larger chunks of debris.

Instead of proposing that this body has to be Nemesis, astrophysicists Daniel Whitmire and John Matese of the University of Southwestern Louisiana have suggested a 10th planet which

they have named Planet X. They have devised a complex elliptical orbit which periodically takes this hypothetical planet across the cometary belt and disrupts the comets' orbits.

Michael R. Rampino and Richard B. Strothers of the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies have developed a time series analysis of geological and biological upheavals; this analysis reveals two dominant stable long-term periodicities approximately equal to 33,000,000 years plus or minus 3,000,000 years and 260 million years plus or minus 25 million years. These cycles seem to agree in period and phase with the cycles of impact cratering on earth. The reasonable conclusion is that periodic comet impacts strongly influence biological evolution. Rampino and Strothers do not rely on a proposed Nemesis or Planet X for their theories.

They suggest that these two cycles could result from the passage of our solar system through interstellar clouds as it moves through the galaxy.



CONTRARY VIEW

BEFORE WE go any further, we must consider two other claims. One holds that if periodic extinctions did exist, they weren't caused by extraterrestrial impacts but by extensive volcano activity. The other agrees there were extinctions but claims they are not periodical.

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impact theory in the first place, more nearly accords with what we expect of volcanic eruptions. They say that the iridium, for example, was not deposited instantaneously, as would occur with a huge meteorite impact, but over a period of 10,000 to 100,000 years.

Last March Richard Kerr of *Science* studied this evidence and these claims and counterclaims and in a four-page report concluded that, while there certainly have been mass extinctions in the past, many of them are difficult to identify and there seems an even chance that they were random events.

Eugene Shoemaker of the U.S. Geological Survey in Flagstaff, Ariz., believes that the evidence for attributing all extinctions to periodic impacts is very weak. He suggests that there is a periodicity but with a "background component" of random impacts. Geochemical searches around the times of other major extinctions, except for those that occurred 65 million years ago, have so far failed to produce any clear evidence of major meteoric, cometary or asteroid impacts.



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CONGO DINOSAUR

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work. In April 1983 Congolese zoologist Marcellin Agnagna, head of the Zoological Park of Brazzaville, reported observing the animal, which he described as having a "wide back, a long neck and a small head."

In 1981 two American expeditions set out in search of Mokele-Mbembe, amid intense rivalry. One, led by biologist Roy Mackal, never made it to Lake Telle, site of most reports. But Herman Regusters, leader of the other group, claimed to have seen the creature in the waters of the lake.

Now, in a bizarre new development, the Institute for Creation Research, a San Diego-based fundamentalist group that opposes evolution which it says is contrary to biblical doctrine, has joined forces with Regusters. John Rajca, assistant director of the ICR Museum, is accompanying Regusters and his wife

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I was not so stident 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 — 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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The Paluxy tracks, which supposedly show that human beings and dinosaurs coexisted, are dismissed by scientists and even by some creationists as a clumsy hoax.

The new Regusters expedition, consisting of six persons including a professional photographer from Japan, was to be flown by pontoon plane to the center of the Lake Telle area, where it would set up camp and equipment.

In our opinion the scientific integrity of the expedition has been seriously compromised by Regusters' apparent willingness to link the search for Mokele-Mbembe, already a controversial enough claim, with so dubious a doctrine as creationism. At any rate, even if the survival of a few relic dinosaurs in an extremely remote area of the earth can be documented, we fail to see how that in any way casts doubt on the validity of evolutionary theory. This would not be the first time, after all, that animals thought to be extinct were found still to exist.

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The Talmud specifically stated that the source of tekhelet must be an uncontaminated extract from shellfish. Now this source has been found, according to Irving Zideman of the Israel Fiber Institute. It is a cousin of the spiny snail called the banded dye-murex. Israeli experts are confident they have now found the source of the ancient tekhelet.



GHOSTBUSTERS

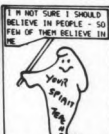
SOME PEOPLE call themselves "ghostbusters." We remain skeptical. There is little doubt in our minds that "ghosts" exist but we have some doubts about their being earthbound spirits requiring release by the ghost hunters. With last summer's hit movie *Ghostbusters* it is only natural that the newspapers, seeking tie-in stories, should interview local ghost hunters.

Ann Marie Lipinski located two local ghost hunters for the *Chicago Tribune*.

Dale Kaczmarek, the 31-year-old president of the Chicago-based Ghost Research Society, will detect and rid your house of pesky spirits for fees of \$50 to \$150. Kaczmarek was not put off by the movie—in fact he rather

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approved of it. He is straightforward about his beliefs. He believes a ghost is the disembodied spirit of a dead person trapped on earth for reasons that often have to do with sudden or violent death. Because of the trauma the spirit becomes confused and may not even know it is dead. "They continue to do things they did in real life, like move furniture," he says.

Kaczmarek uses tape recorders, video equipment and cameras with infrared film. But he says that his sharpest tool is his "sixth sense. Everybody's got one," he told Lipinski. "Mine detects ghosts." He received good grades from one client Lipinski interviewed.

Norman Basile, another ghost hunter, works out of his apartment in Riverdale, Ill. He finds only a few cases of alleged hauntings are completely legitimate. His family thinks he's weird and doesn't believe in ghosts. But Basile responds, "How can you believe in heaven and hell and not believe in ghosts? They're just souls that haven't passed on yet."

Lloyd Auerbach, a faculty member in the parapsychology program at John F. Kennedy University, acts as a private consultant on psychic matters. "They're hard to get hold of," he says of apparitions. "It's not as if you can get them to walk into your lab, sit down and start up a conversation."

Half of the spontaneous case investigations Auerbach undertakes seem to include an element of the paranormal, he says. The others stem from a person's psychological stress.

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Mycoprotein is essentially a natural product produced from a fungus belonging to the same family as mushrooms and truffles. The mycoprotein fungus doubles its weight every five hours when fed at a constant temperature of 30 degrees C. on glucose syrup derived from wheat and corn starch. The texture and flavor can be controlled and flavorings, color and “a bit of egg albumin” are added.

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satisfied British safety regulations for food products without major problems because every step in the process uses nontoxic ingredients and thus produces something fit for human consumption. The company submitted 24 volumes of research evidence to obtain permission to test-market it.



LANDSAT SATELLITES

THE SCANNERS aboard the Landsat satellites are making surprising discoveries in many scientific areas. One spectacular finding is a huge Mayan city which has been hidden for centuries in the Yucatan jungle. Actually more than 100 possibly ancient sites have been located through the study of the false color images provided by the Landsat earth resources satellites.

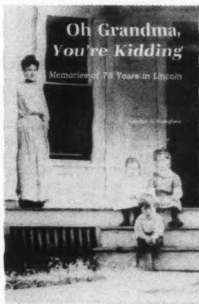
Jungles typically appear bright-red in the photographs while the ruins appear light-red or pink because the foliage does not grow as densely over them as it grows in the neighboring jungle, according to Hughes Aircraft Company, which makes the scanning instruments.

“The Landsat images have also revealed the existence of vast farmed fields that may prompt new theories of how the ancient civilization fed itself.”

Of two major ruins being investigated, one is believed to be the site of Oxpemul, a Mayan city found and then lost again in the 1930's. The other is believed to be previously unknown to archaeologists. Structures at both sites include pyramids and smaller stone buildings, indicating that cities flourished during the Classic Mayan period of A.D. 600 to 900.



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Part I

By Michael Goss

UP UNTIL the French Revolution in the late 1700's—or so the story goes—visitors to a certain chapel in St. Malo could gaze upon an extraordinary painting. It showed a sailing ship enmeshed in the wreathing arms of a bulbous-bodied, saucer-eyed marine

nightmare known then as a calamary or “cuttle” and today as a giant squid.

Perhaps the most terrifying thing about this piece of artwork was the allegation that it depicted an actual incident. Off the West African coast a St. Malo ship laden with ivory, gold and slaves was caught in the act of lifting its anchor, when the monster surfaced and



In 19th-Century popular art the kraken, the legendary ship-attacking monster of the deep, was usually depicted as an octopus, although the giant squid was almost certainly the model for the fearsome beast whose existence zoologists once disputed.



First scientifically-credible encounter with giant squid took place in November 1861 when crew of French steamer *Alec-ton* tried unsuccessfully to capture one specimen.

sent snakelike arms as high as the mast-heads, dragging the vessel over by its sheer weight until she lay nearly on her beam-ends. The crew hacked desperately at the muscular arms, calling on their patron saint St. Thomas for aid. At the crucial moment the arms were severed, the "cuttle" sank beneath the waves and the ship righted herself. On their return to St. Malo grateful crew members commissioned the picture that was hung in the chapel as a votive offering to the saint and as a commemoration of their deliverance.

There it must have been seen by the Parisian zoologist Pierre Denys de Montfort who reproduced a flamboyant version of it to augment the equally colorful accounts in his *Histoire Naturelle des Mollusques* (1801-02). Today the reputation and credibility of this writer have vanished almost as completely as has the remarkable painting itself.

In fact, de Montfort has been accused of being an inveterate joker who delighted in the ease with which his tentacled terrors ensnared not sailors or ships but gullible readers. But he did not invent the animal whose existence—then considered mythical—seems to have been at the root of the tales he heard and recycled. The kraken, that fabulously huge and many-armed monster of Scandinavian folklore, had already haunted seafarers' imaginations for centuries before it appeared in print. What de Montfort did was give a fresh, pseudo-scientific polish to a myth told and retold from the days of the classical writers up until Erik Pontoppidan's *Natural History of Norway*.

In de Montfort's version the kraken specialized in capsizing ships or in

lassoing sailors from their decks. For example, he gave credence to a story he heard from a retired Danish captain named Jean Magnus Dens who claimed to have encountered an "ankertrold" (another name for the kraken) off western Africa. This general part of the Atlantic was also the scene of the St. Malo narrative.

Dens said that the squid struck while his ship was becalmed, seizing two men who were repainting and scraping the side of the vessel from wooden stages (platforms) slung down her sides. It was prevented from grabbing a third when its tentacle got snared in the rigging. This groping arm was cut off but the man died raving that same night. Despite being harpooned several times, the monster submerged with its prey.

In 1857 naturalists were still trying to forget de Montfort when Johan Steenstrup wrote a paper on a major new cephalopod he had studied from a malodorous specimen washed ashore at Aalbaek, Jutland. Steenstrup titled it *Architeuthis*, which remains the generic name for the giant squid.*

A scientific name did not make the kraken scientifically more credible. Thanks mainly to the legacy of de Montfort, the giant squid was still very much a myth on November 30, 1861, when at about 2:00 P.M. the French dispatch steamer *Alecton* ran into one (almost literally) some 40 leagues north-east of Teneriffe.

For three exciting hours crew members tried to shoot, harpoon or lasso the brick-red "colossal and slimy embryo,"

*Cephalopod—literally "head-footed"—denotes octopuses, squids, cuttlefish, argonauts and related animals. The number of species within the *Architeuthis* genus varies from one or two up to a dozen depending on what authority is cited.

but a heavy swell and the squid's seemingly intelligent evasive action prevented them from catching anything except part of the tail which broke away after a noose had started to constrict it. Fearing "the monster might fling out its long tentacles armed with suckers on the side of the boat, make it capsize and perhaps strangle some of the sailors in its fearful lashes," Captain Bouyer refused to lower a rowboat after it and reluctantly allowed the squid to escape.

Eyewitness calculations gave the *Alecton* squid a head-body length of up to 18 feet with arms five to six feet long. These figures suggest it was no more than a moderately-large specimen of its kind, certainly not the biggest seen before or since. But when Bouyer's report to the Academy of Sciences in Paris reached the newspapers, the *Alecton* cephalopod excited the imagination in ways none of those washed-up corpses had ever done. Suddenly the old tales of ships capsized and sailors plucked beneath the waves by giant krakenlike monsters seemed a little less fantastic.

Since then we have had more sporadic, tantalizing glimpses of what de Montfort claimed was the largest animal in the world. In the majority of them *Architeuthis* is an anomalous carcass decomposing on a beach or perhaps represented solely by an arm thick as a man's body vomited up by a dying sperm whale. From these less-than-perfect clues we know that the giant squid can reach an overall length of a little under 60 feet and weigh two tons. Several marine biologists even say that in some cases these figures are hopelessly conservative; one writer goes so far as to multiply the length figure by

four and the maximum weight figure by anything up to 15!

Although the giant squid has a savage reputation, its notoriety is due more to its size than to its observed behavior. The *Alecton* squid was "floating, apparently exhausted," and seemed to want only to escape pursuit, not to fight back. The Thimble Tickle, Newfoundland, specimen caught on November 2, 1878—the largest recognized by science—measured no less than 55 feet from tail to tentacle tip; yet even in its desperation (it was aground on an ebb tide) the monster gave few problems beyond those posed by its sheer bulk.

Three years before, just northwest of Boffin Bay, Connemara, Ireland, three men chased a giant squid over the surface of the Atlantic, systematically lopping off its flailing arms—again meeting little sign of positive resistance or antagonism. In an October 26, 1873, incident from Conception Bay, Newfoundland—an incident whose significance will be apparent later in this article—we at last hear of a giant squid throwing a questing tentacle to grapple the boat. But this occurred only after a fisherman antagonized the creature by hitting the "dark shapeless mass" with a boat hook. Even then it scarcely performed with the laserlike accuracy of its ancestors in de Montfort. The tentacle fell loosely across the boat and into the water on the far side; before it could grip anything or anyone, 19 feet of it had been axed off. The squid was evidently pleased to escape at no greater cost, "darkening the water with its inky emissions."

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THESE SOMEWHAT pathetically-passive displays may be deceptive.

The listlessness of the *Alecton* squid—its failure to submerge, for example, a trait shared by the Boffin Bay specimen—could imply that the cephalopod was sick, probably dying. Some authorities believe that on those rare occasions when the giant squid appears on the surface, the creature is stricken in some way. One recent theory put forward by University of Bergen biologist Ole Brix holds that the slow-moving monsters may undergo gradual suffocation if an influx of warm water heats the seas in which they live. (Conversely, others say that the squid is *fond* of warm water and dies if trapped in *cold* currents.)

On this evidence the giant squid becomes a bumbling, fumbling monster, no threat to man whatever. But is this really the case? Suppose a ship came upon a healthy, hungry *Architeuthis*. Is the danger rare only because the two species—man and squid—meet so seldom?

The potential dangers posed by the giant squid—sailor-snatching and ship-sinking—are part of maritime folklore. The motifs are widely dispersed in terms of both geography and time, from Olaus Magnus' lobsterlike "polyp" dragging a man out of a boat with most uncephalopodic pincers or the large Patagonian squids accused by Abbe Pernetty in 1763 of climbing ships' rigging and overbalancing the vessels, to the "sea devil" which "often harassed fishermen's boats, drawing them down by its strength"—or so claimed the showmen who displayed it in Tokyo in 1873.

Impressive as the story's geographical and historical range may be, for the claim to be credible we need one solid, modern, verified account of a giant

squid's attacking a single sailor, a group of sailors or an entire ship. To find anything approaching this we need to consult Frank Lane's much-admired book *Kingdom of the Octopus* (1957). Acknowledged as such or not, the chapters he devotes to "Dangers" and "The Kraken" are the sources of two repeatedly-printed horror tales. Conveniently, this pair illustrates both types of homicidal behavior associated with the giant squid: sailor-snatching and ship-capsizing.

The first account—"the greatest individual story that has come out of this war" according to one journalist, "the most macabre episode of the war at sea" according to another—returns us to the waters off the coast of west Africa where so many tales of kraken attacks are set. Here in the early months of 1941 a British ship was sunk by a German raider. Lifeboats were hastily launched; some of them, riddled by bullets from the enemy, preceded the parent vessel to the bottom and the men hurriedly took to the only alternative, the emergency rafts. This was how Lt. R.E.G. Cox of the Indian Army found himself alongside 11 other souls, sharing a raft which looked to his eyes no larger than a hearthrug. The water-logged, frequently-capsized raft was too small to hold everyone. The victims took turns sitting on it and swimming with hands clinging to its sides. This situation prevailed through five terrible days. The number of survivors gradually diminished as thirst, the harsh sun and above all the ever-present sharks combined to take their toll.

Then, in a cruel climax to Lane's version of the story, an unnamed man was snatched from the raft by a large

squid. Needless to say, he was never seen again.

Not long afterwards Cox felt the touch of a probing tentacle as it affixed itself to his leg. Perhaps appeased with a single victim, though, the creature released him almost instantly but left the lieutenant with an agonizing memento in the shape of marks from its suckers. Rescued some time later, he was to bear the scars of an ulcerated wound ("which seemed to eat right into the flesh") for as long as two years later when British biologist John L. Cloudsley-Thompson saw and described them.

That is how the story is told in *Kingdom of the Octopus* and more recent books which borrow from it, including one taken from the "Arthur C. Clarke's Mysterious World" television series. Its presence in those texts serves to corroborate the old tales in which *Architeuthis* is a rare and ultimate peril to seafarers. But perhaps the squid has had a bad press.

Details of Cox's harrowing sea adventure broke when, following a spell of convalescence at Teneriffe, he returned to the United Kingdom on three months' sick leave. The rousing tale was taken up avidly by papers as far apart as *The London Times* and the *Glasgow Herald*; the uniformity of wording in their October 21, 1941, articles suggests they are based on an official naval press release. In these articles the survivors splash vainly as the sharks picked them off one by one and somebody is washed away from the side of the raft to be "killed by a big fish," identity unspecified. But nothing is said anywhere about a villainous squid.

For a more exciting (and longer) version we have to consult the *News*

Chronicle of October 21, 1941. The paper sent reporter H. de Winton Wigley to Fareham so that he could interview the 24-year-old officer "over a dinner table" and with no "interruption from beginning to end." This article makes the versions given in the other newspapers seem tame by comparison.

At the point in Cox's account in which he and the others have just taken awkward possession of the raft, we read these words:

"I was hanging in the water, when I had a terrible pain. I was seized by an octopus. It got me by the leg and when I got rid of the tentacle it stung my hand. I was stung on the head. It is like a million bees . . . I was also stung on the mouth . . . Joe was stung too."

Octopuses do not sting, with tentacles or anything else. They possess a venomous bite which recipients have compared to a severe bee sting, but Cox is describing what happens when one comes into contact with the trailing "feelers" of a Portugese man-of-war, a large jellyfish which possesses sting-equipped tentacles. In fact, the *Illustrated London News* account nearly two weeks later blamed the stung hand, head and mouth on a Portugese man-of-war; it dropped the octopus angle completely. As we'll see, this incident in Cox's five-day ordeal is the closest we will come to meeting any kind of cephalopod throughout his adventures.

From then on the story becomes a mosaic of sun blazing, sharks surging and men dying, going mad or both. By the fifth day, Cox told the *News Chronicle* reporter, the survivors were down to just four. Cox woke to find one of them, an Indian servant, slipping

away from the raft; a shark had bitten off both his legs.

"What followed," Cox said, "was the most horrible thing anyone could see. A fish known as a manthir, or blanket fish, seized hold of the remaining part of his body . . . It folded its great fins around the Indian, hugging his body to it, and then proceeded to devour him before our eyes."

Despite its grotesque appearance the "manthir"—more commonly called the manta ray (*Manta birostris*)—is one of the sea's most innocuous oversized inhabitants. Sailors' yarns aside, it does not envelop victims inside its fins and this great filter-feeder could no more devour a man than it could read the *New York Times*. As a man-eater it is several degrees less credible than the giant squid. But what really matters here is to determine when, how and why the squid came into the Cox story, seemingly ousting the manta as the narrative's most terrifying element.

Perhaps Cox's marine biology was poor. Perhaps the journalist wrongly translated the popular phrase "devil-fish"—which can apply to mantas, squids, octopuses and even whales according to locality. Quite likely the witness wasn't certain what the thing was—if indeed there *was* something there to be seen. "It was at this time," he admitted to the *News Chronicle* when describing the fourth day on the raft, "that we fancied we could see ships, airplanes and even tanks, but of course there was nothing." So it may not have been remarkable if some 24 hours later the thirst-crazed, heat-tormented men began to hallucinate sea devils.

But by 1943 Cox was definitely blaming the giant squid—not the

manta—and backing up his statements by showing Cloudsley-Thompson the penny-sized sucker-pad marks on his leg. It seems doubly strange that while the 1941 newspaper reports carefully detail the lieutenant's other physical problems—his severe weight and hair loss, his weakened and blistered condition—none, not even the luridly-detailed *News Chronicle* piece, mentions any horrible scars left by a monster cephalopod. Even so, we can be certain that hallucinatory devilfish would be unlikely to leave scars on the leg of the beholder. The most critical piece of independent corroboration for the tale Cox told from 1943 until his death several years ago is those sucker-pad wounds. But were the wounds sustained as Cox said they were—or were they caused in some less sensational fashion?

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DETERMINED to resolve these matters, I contacted one of the few persons to have heard Cox tell the story firsthand and to have seen him display those intriguing scars. Frank Lane had already told me he had not interviewed Cox in person; his source, and the informant to whom I turned, was John L. Cloudsley-Thompson, now professor of zoology at Birkbeck College, University of London.

Lieutenant Cox and Professor Cloudsley-Thompson met in 1943 when the former was a range officer at Hornsey, Yorkshire, and the latter a gunnery instructor who took parties of officer cadets there for firing practice.

"He was a crazy type—very odd," Cloudsley-Thompson recalled. "Some of us wondered if that nasty experience on the raft had made him go a bit funny." He could remember only one

instance of Cox's strange sense of humor but he said it was typical. "He'd say, 'There's a telegram for you in the mess.' You'd rush over there and there *wasn't* a telegram."

Cloudsley-Thompson was only one victim of this strange practice, an uneasy blend of lie and joke. Although it may not inspire complete confidence in the man's truthfulness, there is perhaps a difference between inventing an imaginary telegram and inventing an imaginary giant squid.

The squid surfaced during a round of "general talk" when Cox announced that once he had been shipwrecked. Not surprisingly, the professor was skeptical—the telegram hoax still rankled—but Cox appeared earnestly eager to prove that this time he was not joking. He showed the professor first the *Illustrated London News* clipping relating to his adventure on the raft and then the still more tangible keepsake, the sucker-pad-shaped scars on his leg. My informant recalls that there were three or four of them, "about the size of an old penny, and I would say from memory about eight inches from one another. I can well believe that the suckers which tore off Cox's skin were considerably larger in diameter than a penny." He had the impression that, paradoxically, Cox was not trying to focus attention on the giant squid portion of the adventure; he was far more emphatic about the rigors of thirst, the men dying and so on. The squid was only one detail rather than a

thing he found important in itself; the marks of the sucker were offered as proof that *all* the shipwreck adventure had taken place as he described.

But Cox may have felt that the giant squid incident was the most fantastic-sounding (hence unbelievable) part of the story and he may have been doubly anxious to corroborate it. "As I say, his main object was to convince me that he was speaking the truth," Cloudsley-Thompson told me, "and he certainly succeeded in doing so."

We come back to the possibility that, contrary to what we have just heard, the scars on Cox's leg had nothing to do with his alleged giant squid adventure or even with the raft experience at all. I asked the professor if he felt there could be any other explanation for those sucker-pad marks. "Quite honestly, I can't tell what else could have left those regular marks on his leg," he replied.

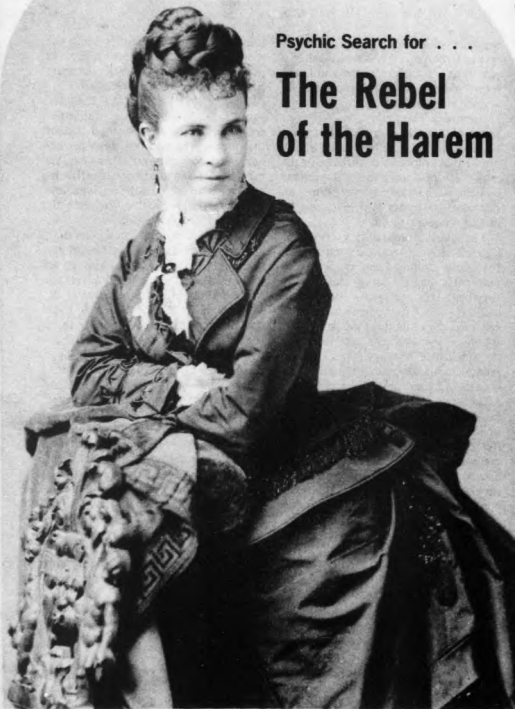
But what of the curious fact that contemporary newspaper reports failed to mention the marks? And how can we reconcile the squid with the manta ray from Cox's *News Chronicle* interview? Cloudsley-Thompson said he had not heard of the manta's figuring in Cox's narrative before but pointed out that contradictions between the actual statements of wartime interviewees and the way their experiences were reported in print were far from uncommon. All things considered, Cloudsley-Thompson felt justified in reaffirming his belief in what Cox told him in 1943.

This is Part I of a two-part article.



Psychic Search for . . .

The Rebel of the Harem



As author and lecturer, Ann Eliza Young regaled an avid public with vivid tales of mistreatment at the hands of Mormon polygamist.

By Luise Putcamp, Jr.

SOMEWHERE the lonesome bones of an old lady lie in a lost grave. While she was alive she rattled the chains of polygamy and haunted the households of the Mormon hierarchy. This rebel of the harem wrote books, gave lectures, created scandal and made news—and sometime after the turn of the century, she disappeared.

No known records reveal when, where or how this spunky little woman—Ann Eliza Young—died. The answer eluded a famous Hollywood writer and still baffles historians. Ann Eliza's final fate is a lingering mystery of Americana.

This is the story of a psychic search

for the woman who divorced the powerful Mormon prophet Brigham Young and alerted the nation to the horrors of the harem. She disappeared from public record in El Paso, Tex., in 1908 when she was 66 years old. The search had startling but inconclusive results. It started this way:

In 1959 author Irving Wallace was working on a book about Ann Eliza Young and vowed it would not go to press without the date of her death.

I was living in Salt Lake City then and I became one of his researchers. As a veteran newspaper reporter I took the mystery of the death date as a challenge. Surely the answer would not be hard to find. For two years, we Wallace



Pioneer Statue in Salt Lake City's Temple Square commemorates the Mormons' arduous journey to Utah, carrying their belongings in pushcarts. These were designed and built by Chauncey C. Webb, Ann Eliza's father.



Statue of Brigham Young stands at intersection of Main and South Temple Streets in downtown Salt Lake City. Staunch Mormons were outraged when Ann Eliza divorced him.

researchers scanned microfilm, hounded librarians and vital statistics clerks, peered at tombstones and interviewed Mormon old-timers. The answer was nowhere to be found.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, which excommunicated Ann Eliza after she divorced Brigham Young, had nothing in its vast genealogical archives about her last days. Her surviving kinfolk pleaded ignorance or remained silent when her name was mentioned.

Into her tempestuous lifetime Ann Eliza had crowded three husbands (maybe more), two sons who died young, two books and a lecture tour which lasted 10 years. The husband before Brigham was James Leach Dee and after Brigham came Moses R. Denning. She had divorced all three.

Irving Wallace finally called off the search. His book *The Twenty-Seventh Wife* was published by Simon and Schuster early in 1961 without the date of Ann Eliza's death. But three of Irving Wallace's researchers wouldn't give up. I was one of them. We still hoped to solve the mystery and now we turned to psychics for help. We invested most of our hope in the extrasensory expertise of psychometrists.

A psychometrist gets information by holding an object that has been in close contact with another human being. Vivid pictures, sometimes accompanied by powerful secondhand emotions, flood the mind of the psychic. Psychometrists have led family members and police officers to missing persons, sometimes to missing corpses.

Our closest psychometric link with

Ann Eliza was a small white card bearing her signature in fading ink. She had written her name on the gilt-edged card in a spidery Victorian hand. It had no date. We also had two other objects. One was a small photograph turned brown by the years. Probably taken about the time she began lecturing, it showed Ann Eliza as a serious-faced young woman with a direct gaze. The other was a bent green lecture ticket showing a place name, Russell, Kans., and a date, May 12, 1879. We didn't know whether these were in Ann Eliza's handwriting.

The first psychometrist to hold the white signature card was the well-known Dutch psychic Peter Hurkos. He was at the peak of his powers in 1961 and lecturing in Indianapolis where I then lived. Standing on the stage, Hurkos had drawn amazed exclamations from

the large audience with his first readings of small objects handed him by strangers. Now he held Ann Eliza's signature card.

Hurkos began to pace restlessly. Suddenly he blurted out a spate of words in his heavily-accented English:

"She is very sick. There is much sickness here. I want to tell you the truth. I get: 'Forgive me for what I have done, but now I am gone.' She was religious but she turned against it."

Hurkos had no way of knowing the card held the signature of a once-devout Mormon whose church considered her a traitorous heretic.

Sweat shining on his agitated face, the psychic went on: "I feel: 'I want a psychiatrist.' There is trouble. She is alone. Everybody is gone from her. She has done great damage. She is unwanted, lonely. She is alone at the end.



Brigham Young's farmhouse was moved from its original site (where Ann Eliza lived for more than three years) and rebuilt in village that is part of Pioneer Trail State Park.

"I am sorry," he said. "Now I am a little bit upset." It seemed an understatement. Hurkos fled the stage—although his demonstration had barely begun. Murmurs of disappointment eddied through the audience, but the Dutchman did not return.

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IMADE the next attempt in 1965 with a psychometrist Ann Jensen, a Texas-born sensitive whose feats of ESP have been documented by such noted psychic researchers as Dr. J. B. Rhine and Dr. Karlis Osis. In her cheerful living room in Dallas, Mrs. Jensen bent over Ann Eliza's signature card. I had told her only that the card involved a missing person, a woman. Immediately she shuddered.

"I feel agitation taking over," she said, speaking disjointedly, as if in semitrance. "So much of frustration! The agitation mounts till it reaches violence. She realizes something is coming to her that will horrify her."

"So much of pain! It's physical pain for me to stay in contact. Even at the last—all the hiding and trying to escape not just a fancied outcome, not just mental distress, not something caused by her own illness. Something so horrible, so oppressive."

"I feel her hiding, going, slipping. She's lived in some terrible places. She has been from one end of this country to the other. They'd almost have her—but then she'd slip out again."

As Peter Hurkos had done, Ann Jensen thrust the card away and opened her eyes. "She was coming through too strong," she said.

Ann Eliza's signature card had upset two sensitive people and we still had no clue to her date of death.

AKIND OF horror seemed to strike the Canadian psychic George McMullen when he held in his hand Ann Eliza's photograph and the lecture ticket. It was 1973 and I was living in Connecticut. McMullen came to my home in Stamford with a friend of mine, from whom I learned that my unexpected visitor was a psychometrist.

Later, in the book *Mysteries of the North* (Harper & Row), I read that McMullen had impressed an anthropologist with his ability to determine, by psychometry, the site and date of Indian artifacts.

Now I decided on impulse to see what this stranger could "get" from Ann Eliza's mementos. I handed McMullen the photograph and lecture ticket, turned on the tape recorder and left the room in search of Irving Wallace's book. I planned to show it to the psychic only after his reading.

When I returned, the Canadian was shaking, pale and so upset that his voice trembled. What he had seen, all in a flash (as he described it), was this:

"At the end she was out of her mind. They made her that way. It was a terrible thing they did. They tormented her. She ended up in a mental hospital."

The message and the psychic's extreme discomfort echoed the reactions of Peter Hurkos and Ann Jensen. The reference to a mental hospital reminded me of Hurkos' words: "I feel: 'I need a psychiatrist.'"

McMullen was reluctant to say more but when I pressed him he said this: "They" were vengeful Mormons, perhaps kinfolk of Ann Eliza. He said "they" kept her a prisoner in the desert to punish her—"by God's will, they called it"—for what she had done to the

Mormon church in her rebellion.

McMullen refused to discuss it further. Again he spoke of "they" but this time he meant entities on the Other Side who "showed" him things.

"They say to leave it alone," he said. "It would be bad to drag it all up now. No purpose would be served. I could give you exact names, places, the whole thing. But they say not to do it."

For all his reticence, the Canadian psychic had given a more specific clue than either of the others had. He said that Ann Eliza had been buried in an unmarked grave, perhaps within a family plot, in the desert—"It might have been near Arizona"—between 1910 and the end of World War I. This reading ended on an eerie note. The tape in the recorder was blank. None of George McMullen's words had registered.

His mention of Arizona was particularly intriguing because in the last hectic months before the Wallace book was published, after I had moved to Indianapolis, my mother Luise Putcamp took up the Salt Lake City research. In late May or early June of 1961, Prof. T. Edgar Lyon of the University of Utah told her a strange story.

He had just come back from a meeting at an Arizona college where he met a student from Pima, the town where in 1889 Ann Eliza had taken her ailing son to visit relatives. Her family, the Webbs, had been prominent in Pima since pioneer days. In the throes of research, I had spent a day in the dusty Arizona town interviewing old-timers, to no avail. Now it turned out that the student from Pima was a Webb. The story he told the professor was this:

One night as he lay in bed almost

asleep, he heard his father and mother talking. When he stirred, the mother hushed the father. After he quieted, they began to talk again—about Ann Eliza and the cemetery in Pima. The next morning, when the son questioned his parents about the conversation, they became angry and told the boy they never again wanted to hear Ann Eliza's name mentioned. Thus another tantalizing but inconclusive clue was added to the list.

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RECENTLY I returned to Salt Lake City for the first time in 25 years. My unseen companion on the nostalgic trip was Ann Eliza. I looked for some of the landmarks I remembered from my years of research in the city. One of these was the Brigham Young farmhouse. The woman who owned it in 1959, a descendant of another of Brigham Young's many wives, had told me the farmhouse was haunted. She and her husband had made the place into a museum, furbishing it with memorabilia and artifacts of Brigham's day.

Ann Eliza had lived in the farmhouse for more than three years, sent there by her busy husband to be chatelaine of his dairy farm. Her mother and her two small sons by her first marriage lived there with her. Ann Eliza described farm life in her first book, *Wife Number 19*. She wrote that she had been shunted aside by Brigham, who was still adding to his harem, and she was overworked, unhappy and ill in the big house.

When I visited the house in 1959, it still stood on its original site south of town. I discovered on my nostalgia trip that it had been moved. Now the Brigham Young farmhouse stands in the Wasatch foothills. It was dismantled

and rebuilt in the pioneer village that is part of Pioneer Trail State Park. I couldn't go into the farmhouse because the park was closed for the season. From a distance I could see only that the quaint Victorian structure had been painted pink, but I could picture the steep, narrow stairway to the second floor as I had seen it years earlier.

It was the tiny room at the head of the stairs that was haunted, the loyal Mormon owner had told me in 1959 when she took me on a tour of the house. She said no one wanted to sleep in that room because it had an air of sadness and unrest. She told her ghost story reluctantly; obviously she was not eager for it to reach the ears of church officials. I remembered all this as I drove away from the farmhouse, through the bleak foothills of the Wasatch mountains.

My nostalgic trip to Salt Lake City did nothing to resolve the enigma of

Ann Eliza's death. The old bafflement was back.

Now the psychic search for Ann Eliza has ended. The clues that agitated the psychometrists are now in other hands. I returned the Ann Eliza signature card some years ago to Irving Wallace's two California researchers and recently gave the old photograph and the green lecture card to my daughter who lives in Salt Lake City.

Here are the only clues the real world offers on Ann Eliza's last days:

From 1902 to 1908 she appeared in the El Paso, Tex., city directory as "Mrs. Anna E. Denning." (Moses R. Denning was her divorced third husband.) In 1908 a new edition of Ann Eliza's book, retitled *Life in Mormon Bondage*, was published in Philadelphia—and 1908 is the year she disappeared from public record.

When, where and how did Ann Eliza die?



THE EASTER PRETZEL

By Ida M. Pardue

EASTER pretzels? Yes, pretzels are closely associated with Easter just as much as eggs and hares, if not more so. Unlike the colored eggs and bunnies, which were both adopted from earlier pagan rites, pretzels were initiated by Fifth Century Christians.

Baked during the Lenten season when meat, eggs and milk could not be eaten, the little breads were made of flour, salt and water. To remind nibblers that Lent was a time of penance and devotion, the dough was twisted into the shape of a pair of arms crossed in prayer, a shape

that earned the name "little arms" from the Latin *bracellae*. The "little arms" became a popular Lenten fasting food and spread all through Europe. In Germany, where they were a perfect accompaniment to beer, they were *brazel* or *prezel*.

By the 19th Century, however, no one seemed to remember that pretzels were a symbolic food or that their unique shape had a special religious meaning. Today, they're just crispy, salted pretzels—nibbled at any old time you choose.



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WINTER DREAM

By Dorothy M. Stanaitis

WHEN WE WERE little girls, our mother and her friends often gathered for coffee and perusal of *The Dream Book*. Their dreams would be discussed and analyzed according to the wisdom of the book. My sister and I, hovering unseen but nearby, would be deeply impressed.

Soon my sister would describe her dreams to me in detail each morning as we snuggled under the heavy quilts that covered the double bed we shared in our little Philadelphia home. I was so bored with her recitations that I learned to rise early. I was relieved when our family moved to a more spacious house in New Jersey with separate bedrooms for "the girls," as we were collectively known. I promised myself never to bore anyone with tales of my own nighttime visions.

Perhaps because my sister's stories served to numb my unconscious, I can seldom recall more than a fragment of a dream and I find even those disconnected bits and pieces most disturbing.

I really prefer not to remember them.

I was surprised, then, to find myself obsessed by a dream I had one cold night in February 1978, far away from home and from childhood.

It was the custom of several couples we knew to spend a winter weekend at a vacation lodge in the Poconos each year. These friends were fun-loving party people who enjoyed the nightclub entertainment and the dancing that followed; they even insisted on pajama-party nightcaps in the room of one of



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the couples before turning in for what was usually a most unusually late night for me.

Between the winter sports of the day and the partying of the night, I expected to lapse into unbroken sleep. So I thought it strange to awake with the full recollection of one of my infrequently-remembered dreams. Yet this seemed more than a dream; it was more like a persistent picture of two of the women with us on our Pocono weekend. They were standing outside the lodge in a field of snow and the younger, smaller woman was sobbing. The other woman had her arm around her friend trying to comfort her. That was all. No plot, no action, just two women standing in the snow, one blond, one brunette, both distressed.

The picture would not leave my mind. I thought that if I broke my childhood promise and told my sleeping husband Raymond about it, I might be able to rid myself of the troubling anxiety that accompanied the dream-picture. Risking possible bodily injury, I woke the sleeping man and described, in my own sister's interminable detail, the dream I had had.

As we dressed for breakfast, I described it twice more, to my husband's ill-concealed lack of interest. When we joined our friends at breakfast, I felt somehow compelled to tell it once more. It was easy to do since the small, sobbing woman of my dream, Mary Hackett, and her husband Bill were the only members of our party not yet at breakfast, so I didn't feel I would be alarming her by describing her dream distress. None of the group seemed the least bit impressed by my recital—so I told it again and again.

Well aware that I was boring everyone but equally unable to stop, I told my story over and over until, probably in self-defense, everyone left the table. Some of the group went for an after-breakfast nap, some to the ski slopes. Stella Agemian, the blond comforting woman of my dream, went with her husband Paul for a hike. Another woman and I decided to go into the lodge lobby to hear a lecture on biorhythm.

As we sat listening intently, Paul appeared. He knelt by us and whispered, "They took Bill to the hospital."

"Bill who?"

"Mary's Bill."

It turned out that Mary and Bill had gone for a snowmobile ride and had had an accident. Mary escaped harm but Bill was badly hurt. Bystanders called for an ambulance. Stella and Paul had hiked past the snowmobile trail just as Bill was being put onto the stretcher and Mary stood beside him in the snow crying. The blond woman put her arm around her and comforted her—just as in my winter dream.—*Gloucester, N.J.*

CALL PINKIE, PLEASE!

By Gloria Stratton

WE GREW UP together, Eileen Hallock and I, and were like sisters. We even had the usual childhood diseases at the same time.

In the 1930's my family moved from El Paso, Tex., to California after I graduated from high school. But Eileen and I established a weekly "talk letter."

Years passed. We knew each other's families through pictures and during World War II she and her husband, an artillery colonel, came together with

their teenagers to visit us.

For a month our two families of six had fun. Our husbands had the same interests, golf and fishing. Our children all liked tennis and all the new movies. Eileen and I had times together never to be forgotten.

After Eileen and her family moved up to Fort Wathan, Wash., their new post, she received word that her father was very sick and she flew home to be with him. He was living with her sister Ruby Dewell and family. I was in touch at all times.

Three weeks after Eileen had left for Texas, I came home from marketing and dropped my sacks just inside the door, suddenly overcome with pain. But I knew somehow that *it was not my pain*. I immediately sank into the nearest chair and started praying for Eileen.

The agony lasted for over two hours. We went out to dinner because I was too exhausted to cook. My husband, an understanding man, kept reassuring me as he ate heartily and the children chatted amiably. I began to feel better but I was utterly exhausted.

As we opened the door to our house, we could hear the phone ringing. My husband picked it up, said, "Just a minute," and handed it to me.

"Pinkie," I heard Ruby's voice say ("Pinkie" was the name she and Eileen called me), "I'm carrying out a promise to Eileen. She was so very insistent." My heart sank.

Ruby went on, "Eileen collapsed in agony. We took her to the hospital for immediate surgery. She had a ruptured appendix and we almost lost her. The doctor says she'll make it. But we were all startled when the first thing she said

when she got out of surgery was, 'You must call Pinkie *now*—she'll know!' "

I certainly did.—*North Hollywood, Calif.*

A PARALLEL WORLD

By Lloyd J. Wydur

IN 1936 my father Jack William Wydur, my brother Ray and I earned our living by splitting fence posts. We were licensed by the New Zealand State Forest Service to work in the Waipova State Forest in Northland Province. We used mainly two native softwoods: a pink one called yotara and a yellow one called manaoa. To a lesser extent we cut a local hardwood known as puriri.

At the time of the incident I relate, the principal variety available was



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manaoa. Near where we were working there was a triangular area of some two acres. Our main track formed its base and two steep escarpments, with the Waipova River rushing by hundreds of feet below, bordered the other two sides. One afternoon we decided to check out this area to see if any wind- or fire-fallen manaoa logs could be

found. Taking our axes, we entered. We had to cut our way through dense undergrowth but once in a few yards, we found manaoa logs everywhere. To this day I remember three beauties lying parallel and a fourth, double the size of any of the three but with half of its length burned away in some old fire, lying on top of the center one. Satisfied that we had at least a month's work ahead, we returned to the other side of the track to finish our work there.

The next day, we collected our tools and moved into the new area. To our astonishment, every last log had vanished. The whole two-acre triangle was bare. It would have been impossible for anyone to shift those logs overnight but if somehow that had happened, there would have been tracks of men and machinery. There were none. The whole triangle was as clear as a well-kept city lawn.

The only explanation I have been able to arrive at through the years is that a "parallel world" occupies the same space as our earth—but in a different dimension, where things are nearly, but not quite, the same. Sometimes, whatever screen separates us splits or tears and something appears or disappears.

We blundered into this twin world and came out again. I wonder how many go in and don't come out.—*London, England.*

LEGS

By Lillian E. Burton

AS A CHILD I always felt comfortable with psychic phenomena, even taking them for granted. Much later in life I took the subject more seriously and relied on it for direction. Intuitions grew stronger with time and it seemed



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I was receiving assistance in many ways.

For some time my dreams became vibrant and revealing. Soon I began to realize that when my dreams were clear as crystal, they would develop into reality.

One night in 1979, after collapsing exhausted into bed, I clearly saw a picture of our living room bathed in light. I was standing in the doorway looking up at the ceiling. I remember the horror of seeing my husband Harold's legs hanging from the ceiling.

I awoke certain that what I dreamed would occur. Subsequently I warned my husband not to go up into the attic because at that time the floor was not entirely completed. My husband, skeptical of my psychic ability, did not take the warning seriously.

It was exactly one week after my dream, on a Sunday morning as I was making our bed, that I heard a loud crash. I said to myself, "This is it!"

Dashing into the living room, I saw my husband's legs hanging through the ceiling just as in my dream. Miraculously, he wasn't hurt.

It turned out that he had climbed into the attic to find something and his foot

slipped on a beam, causing him to fall through the plywood. The experience

changed my husband's attitude toward the psychic.—*River Grove, Ill.*



MY PROOF OF SURVIVAL

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MY UNSEEN FRIEND

By Jill M. Phillips

AS LONG AS I can remember, our family has had cats. Some have been more special to us than others but we loved them all. As children we cuddled, fondled and cared for our cats and of course we had our special favorites. When I was nine years old, in 1962, my favorite was a white and tan short-haired cat named Fanny. She was just about the nicest cat we ever had: well-behaved, sweet and friendly. She had a habit of coming up on my bed at night and purring loudly into my ear while kneading the bed covers with her paws. It got to be a nightly ritual but I was always glad to have her near me.

Fanny died in 1965, hit by a careless driver. I've had many cats since that

time but none with Fanny's sweet little ways, and never one who would cuddle up on the bed with me and purr into my ear.

One night, several years after Fanny died, I went to bed and as I lay there



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settling in, I suddenly felt the gentle action of tiny paws kneading the covers near my feet.

I sat up quickly. There was enough moonlight coming through the window so that I could see quite well. Although I could still feel something near my feet, I couldn't see anything that could have been causing it. Disconcerted, I lay back down on the bed. But once again I was disturbed. This time I was aware of a distant sound against my ear: the sound of a cat's purring! But there was no cat in sight.

Just to make sure I got up from bed and turned on the light. I checked everywhere. The door was closed and so was the window. I looked under the bed, the dresser, in the closet. There was no cat in my room. At least, no cat that I could see

I went back to bed and slept without further distractions that night. But many times since, in the dim quiet of my bedroom at night, I have felt that same invisible presence. I have no other explanation except to believe that it is the ghost of my little Fanny, content in death, as she was in life, to be at my side.—*Covina, Calif.*

MOTHER'S THANKS

By Alice H. Kramer

MY YOUNGER brother James Hinson and I were the only living members of our family after our older brother Warren died in 1966. At the time James, who had suffered service-connected disabilities while serving as a Ranger in World War II, was in New York City, trying to make a living as a songwriter. Even though he was talented, he found it hard to break into the entertainment world.

Finally, because of failing health, James decided to go back to Waycross, Ga., to live in the now-vacant family home. Under the terms of our mother's will, the place belonged jointly to Jim and me. The two-story frame house had deteriorated over the years and needed extensive repairs and painting inside and out. We discussed the situation by phone several times but because my husband and I were living in Albany, N.Y., 1200 miles away, we couldn't take on the renovation. My brother wanted to restore the house but had reservations about spending money on it when he had only half ownership.

After talking it over with my husband Gene, I had an attorney draw up a deed giving my brother full ownership of the property as of January 29, 1971.

A few nights after the papers had been sent to Waycross I was awakened by what sounded like the ring of a telephone. Then, fully awake, I heard my mother's voice. Although sad, it was unmistakably hers and seemed to come from far away: "You mean so much to me," she said. "You've always meant so much to me!"

Cool tears of joy ran down my cheeks. Somewhere in the hereafter Mother remembered her children and was grateful for the gift I had made to my brother.—*Jacksonville, Fla.*

FROM THE DARKNESS

By Pat Burke

ONE NIGHT late in 1964 I was sleeping in my New York apartment, where I lived as a single 23-year-old nurse, when I had a terrifying nightmare in which my father appeared in the form of Death. Horrified, I awoke in a cold sweat, sitting upright

in my twin bed and rubbing my eyes to wake myself up.

When I put my hands down from my eyes, there, staring at me from the end of the bed, was a skeleton dressed in a black cape, pointing its bony right forefinger at me—the very figure I had seen in what I thought was a dream. Across its face was a transparent oval form with black marks. I took this to be my father's soul. The figure was making a pitiful, suffering sound.

"Daddy, is that you?" I asked.

"Yes," a pained voice replied.

"What do you want?"

"I'm in a dark, dark place where there's no light ever. Total darkness. I can't get out unless you pray for me. Please, Pat, pray for me. Have masses said. It's the only way I can get out of here."

"Where are you?" I asked.

"I don't know. It's black, just blackness. Please pray for me."

As suddenly as the apparition appeared, it faded, leaving me confused and shaken. Had I imagined this or had he really been in my room?

I pinched myself. It hurt. I was awake. For a long time I remained awake, quaking in my bed, as I felt the room's temperature become normal again.

The next day I went to our neighborhood church, the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, and requested masses for my father's soul. The incident so frightened me that I did not tell anyone else about it. My father never appeared again.

Fourteen years later, in 1978, my older sister Bea Farrell flew to California to give me moral support during my divorce. One evening we were talking about how telepathic we both were. The

two of us had the ability to look at a person and predict if he would die in the next six months. This led to a discussion of our father. Nervously I related the story of his bloodcurdling appearance to me right after his death.

Startled, Bea looked straight at me and declared, "I had the exact same thing happen to me around that time. Like you, I never told a soul because I thought people would consider me bonkers. I followed his instructions too. That was his only appearance to me."

Our father, wherever he was, must have needed earthly prayers desperately. The sharing of the secret confirmed what we already suspected: loved ones can speak from the grave.—*Santa Monica, Calif.*

AID AND COMFORT

BY Vera Nelson Steel

AFTER HEART surgery on November 9, 1979, in Penrose Hospital in Colorado Springs, I was very ill and in intensive care for days, a period of time that is completely lost to me. I do not



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remember any of those days.

One night I awoke at one o'clock and was astonished to see my mother Jessie Nelson sitting in a chair beside my bed. (She had been dead for five years.) She was dressed in a soft blue flowered dress. Although she didn't say a word to me, her presence was comforting. It seems that I drifted in and out of sleep and she was always there until four o'clock when she seemed to fade away.

My surgeon came in at 9:00 A.M. with my chart in his hand. He said, "You seem to be better this morning. What has happened?"

I said, "Doctor, you will never believe what I'm going to tell you. My mother has been dead for five years but she came and sat with me for three hours last night. Now I feel much better. What do you think happened?"

He smiled and replied, "Yes, I believe every word you've told me. Half of my heart patients tell me a similar story."

A few days later we talked about this again and the doctor explained it this way: "When you are so near death you are very close to the 'other world.' Sometimes your loved ones may cross over to this world. This may never happen to you again."

He was right. Mother has never since appeared to me.—*Colorado Springs, Colo.*

"WAIT FOR FULLNESS"

By Robert E. Leigh

PEOPLE HAVE often asked why a person chooses to become a minister. For me that issue was settled when I died and came back again.

First, though, you should understand that I lived much of my life as a Baptist. I shucked off my religious faith when

I was 18 years old and became an aggressive atheist—except around my parents. Then I backed away from that—atheism is as fanatical as any religion and it's not my nature to be a fanatic—and I became a relaxed agnostic, unsure of final answers but patient. I left religion to the shamans and ignored it.

Then on the morning of August 24, 1976, while driving north on U.S. Highway 1 between Durbin and Sampson, Fla., I had a car accident and was badly hurt.

Suddenly I found myself floating above my unconscious body. I looked down at it as it lay on the pavement. I saw people staring at the bloody, twisted mess. Then I floated higher and higher into the clouds until I had ascended so far the planet earth was beneath me.

At that point I encountered a familiar face, belonging to someone I'll call Mike. He was a very dear and trusted friend who had died violently in Florida a short time before that. Mike looked at me and said, "Bobby, my brother, this is not your time. Go back and wait for fullness."

I was dumbfounded. "What the hell does 'wait for fullness' mean?" I asked.

Mike replied, "Go back, my beloved brother, and I will help you fulfill your destiny."

I did come back. I went on to found a church. I have lots of help from people I meet every day, from church members, from my wonderful wife—and also from something inside that tells me instantly, in any difficult situation, exactly how to handle it. I don't say it is Mike but I do receive answers to problems that I would not know how to handle.—*Hulbert, Okla.*

Near-Death Experiences of Children

In studies recently undertaken, researchers try to learn whether these are fantasies resulting from religious indoctrination.

By D. Scott Rogo

DO NEAR-DEATH experiences occur only because people tend to hallucinate when confronting the threat of death? Could such hallucinations result from the pie-in-the-sky religious indoctrination many of us undergo as we grow up?

This is one of the most popular lines of reasoning put forth by the skeptics but it has not gone unchallenged. Recently it has been disputed by veteran psychiatrists Dr. Glen O. Gabbard of the Menninger Foundation in Topeka, Kans., and Dr. Stuart Twemlow of the University of Kansas School of Medicine. In their book *With the Eyes of the Mind*, they point out that descriptions of the near-death experience vary little from culture to culture. "Perhaps an even more compelling rebuttal," they write, "is contained in an examination of NDE reports from small children."

These words could not have been written before 1984 when the two psychiatrists' book was first published. Even though Raymond Moody first brought widespread attention to the near-death experience in 1975 when his book *Life After Life* was published, children's reports were conspicuously absent until quite recently. Researchers

studying the subject are currently focusing attention on such cases in the hope that they will shed more light on the nature of the NDE.

The first childhood case was reported in the fall of 1983 by Dr. Melvin Morse of the Children's Orthopedic Hospital in Seattle. Morse uncovered the case when he was called in to treat a seven-year-old near-drowning victim. The incident had occurred only minutes before and although the little girl was breathing spontaneously when she arrived in the emergency room, she was nonetheless unconscious and had to be given considerable medical attention. The little patient finally regained consciousness after three days of treatment and was discharged after a week's stay in the hospital. No neurological damage resulted and the girl was soon back in school and just as normal as ever.

The first indication that she had undergone something extraordinary came when Morse examined her two weeks after the incident. At that time she said that she remembered "talking to the Heavenly Father" but she was reluctant to say more. The whole story came out only during a follow-up interview and it turned out to be a classic near-death experience.

The girl explained that she remem-

bered being in the pool. "I was dead," she said. "Then I was in a tunnel. It was dark and I was scared. I couldn't walk."

The little girl said that a woman named Elizabeth suddenly appeared beside her and the tunnel filled with light. Together they walked to heaven—which the child said was "fun" because of the brightness and the wonderful flowers. She also saw a border around the heavenly realm which prevented her from seeing directly into it. But at the periphery she met several of her deceased relatives and two women who were "waiting to be reborn." Two more figures—whom she immediately took to be God and Jesus—then appeared. When they asked her if she wanted to return to earth, the little girl said no. The kindly woman who was accompanying her then asked if she wanted to see her mother again. When the child replied yes, she awakened in the hospital.

The girl first began discussing her near-death experience about a week after returning home from the hospital. It apparently had had a strong impact because she often told her mother that she'd "like to go back there [heaven]. It was nice." And while she was in the hospital, the nurses noticed that she spontaneously asked about two friends, the women she had seen "waiting to be reborn."

Morse believed the child's story was important. In the October 1983 issue of the *American Journal of Diseases in Children*, he outlined the similarities between his patient's account and those reported by adults. He noted that such factors as being out-of-body, going down a tunnel and reaching a border of some kind represent "core elements" of

the prototypical near-death experience.

But could the experience have been a fantasy or dream based on the child's religious indoctrination? Morse learned that the girl came from a devout Mormon family and she had been attending church and Sunday school regularly. She was aware of the concepts of heaven and life after death but Morse did not believe that these basic beliefs could have caused the girl to structure her experience to match the classic NDE. Such ideas as a border between earth and heaven and the journey down a tunnel are not part of Mormon eschatology.* Morse also rejected the explanation that the girl's experience could have represented a psychological defense against death which became a complex hallucination.

"The findings of near-death experiences in children," he writes, "must conflict with this reductionistic viewpoint because of their cognitive developmental level and perception of death." He goes on to point out, "In studies of children who are confronted with their own deaths, to my knowledge, this narcissistic retreat caused by the fear of death has not been described."

Perhaps the most fascinating aspect of this case is the girl's statement that she met two women who were "waiting to be reborn." This lends a reincarnation flavor to the account which is markedly atypical of NDE reports in general. (The only similar case I know of appears in Plato's *Republic* wherein

*The near-death encounter has found its way into Mormon religious literature, however. (See "The Mormon Explanation of Near-Death Experiences" by Craig R. Lundahl and Harold A. Widdinson in the June 1983 issue of *Anabiosis, The Journal for Near-Death Studies*.) This information is not part of the religious education of the Mormon child and it is likely that few Mormons even know of the cases in their historical literature.

a near-death survivor tells of seeing souls of the dead choosing their future lives.) The girl's reference is doubly intriguing because reincarnation is not taught in Mormonism. The Mormons believe in preexistence but this doctrine refers to a form of disembodied life to which the girl obviously was *not* referring. The Mormons also believe in the physical resurrection of the body but never refer to this eventuality as being "reborn."

It is possible, however, that the child was referring to the Mormon doctrine that permits baptism after death. This process is usually undertaken by a living relative on the deceased person's behalf and it is sometimes called being "born again." Might the doctor have misinterpreted what the child was saying? When I queried him about this, Morse checked his notes on the case and assured me that she specifically used the term "reborn."

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THE FACT is that many seven-year-old children *do* have a clear concept of death. But what about younger children, those too young to conceive of death? Gabbard and Twemlow have reported on two such cases. Both of the children were under five years of age and both experienced something akin to an NDE, although neither possessed the vocabulary or communication skills to provide a really coherent account of what happened. Both cases were reported to the psychiatrists by the children's relatives.

A boy whom they call Todd was only 2½ years old when he bit into a plugged-in vacuum cleaner cord. His mother found him unconscious two or three minutes after the mishap. She first

thought that he was sleeping but then noticed his skin had a bluish cast and he wasn't breathing. She called an ambulance which arrived about seven minutes later and took him to a nearby hospital. He had no respiration when he arrived but he was given emergency care which included an intracardiac injection of adrenalin. It was give-and-take for a while but the boy finally began to respond. He didn't totally recover from the ordeal for several months and the hospital records indicated that for all practical purposes he had been dead for nearly half an hour.

The boy's parents first learned about Todd's psychic journey after his full recovery while he was playing one day in the family's living room. In response to his mother's question as to whether he remembered the accident, the child said, "I went in a room with a very nice man and sat with him." When his mother questioned him further, Todd mentioned a bright light of some sort in the room and said that the man "asked me if I wanted to stay there or come back to you." The youngster replied that he wanted to go back to be with his mother.

The mother wrote an account of this conversation but had no idea that her son's story was so typical of NDEs in general. (These incidents took place in 1972, three years before Raymond Moody popularized the study of the NDE.)

The Kansas psychiatrists' second case involved a slightly older child they call Mike. He was four years old when he fell into a public swimming pool. He was submerged for only a couple of minutes before he was rescued by his mother. The boy was stunned but wore

a euphoric expression and when he recovered he didn't want to leave the pool. He insisted that he had seen a long bridge with sparkling lights and he compared it all to Cinderella's Castle at Disneyland. He also spoke of seeing golden lights and beautiful colors. Apparently unfrightened by his narrow escape, the little boy was soon telling everyone at the pool about his experience. He continued talking about it for the next several weeks and his mother noted that he seemed unusually serene during this time. The boy's family, by the way, was not particularly religious.

Gabbard and Twemlow have obtained an additional case from a 29-year-old woman who related her own childhood experience. The incident had occurred when she had the mumps at the age of seven. Complications arose and the girl thought she was going to die. The rest of her account reads like a typical near-death experience: She suddenly heard a celestial choir singing exquisite music; she floated above her body and sensed invisible beings around her; and then she floated right through the bedroom ceiling. The next thing she knew, she felt exhilarated as she floated down a dark tunnel toward a tiny light at its end.

At this point the woman's account became otherworldly. She found herself in the presence of a bearded man in a white robe who seemed to be standing between the tunnel and a beautiful world beyond it. The lure of this world was so great that the child asked the man if she could enter and he assented. The woman recalled the breathtaking colors in this heavenly realm and said the little girl met several friendly people as she walked through it. But the farther she went, the less friendly the people

became. She then retraced her steps to the tunnel entrance and complained to the robed figure about the treatment she had received. The figure only told her that it was "time to go home" and she dutifully complied.

Three cases aren't much to go on but Gabbard and Twemlow believe that their limited case studies fully conform to the pattern of NDEs reported by adults. They note that, taken together, there are 10 specific parallels:

(1) The three children all talked about the appearance of a bright light.

(2) Two of the children reported loving figures guiding them.

(3) One of the children perceived some sort of border between the world of the living and the heavenly realm.

(4) In two of the cases decisions had to be reached about staying in this new world or leaving it.

(5) The commonly-reported elation described by experiencers showed up in one of the accounts.

(6) One of the children reported the feeling of absolute peace and harmony.

(7) What was clearly an out-of-body experience was described by one of the children.

(8) Disembodied spiritual presences were mentioned.

(9) One of the children described going through a tunnel.

(10) Returning to the body, typical of NDEs, was included in one of the accounts.

Gabbard and Twemlow are not the only researchers to find similarities between NDEs reported by children and those described by adults. Nancy Evans Bush of the International Association for Near-Death Studies (IANDS) in Storrs, Conn., has found 15 accounts

of childhood NDEs in that organization's archives. These were reported by adults reminiscing about their childhood experiences. But she was also able to study two additional cases reported by mothers who had heard the accounts directly from their own children. The 17 cases concerned children aged from 13 months (retrieved under hypnotic regression) to 14 years. The retrospective accounts fit the Moody-type "classic" NDE—that is, having such phenomenology as the brilliant light, the sense of well-being, the tunnel and the out-of-body experience. These cases are problematical, however, because a skeptic could cogently argue that the experiencers could have intentionally or unintentionally tailored their accounts to conform to the popular concept of the NDE. It was extraordinary, though, that both of the contemporary cases reported by the mothers also fit the classic pattern.

For instance, one of the young mothers wrote to IANDS about her 3½-year-old son's experience during a swimming accident. It had occurred in the summer of 1975 while the family was vacationing at a lake. The boy left the family at the shore and 15 minutes later a lifeguard found him submerged in the water. It took three weeks for him to recover fully but he did not suffer brain damage.

Seven years later, the boy suddenly began describing an experience which his mother believed alluded to the near-drowning. She wrote to IANDS:

"Robin is 11 now and about six months ago he shared something with me about the white light. He said, 'A long time ago I was awake. Not asleep! I was going up in the air and saw you

and Papa crying. Something came to me and said you have to go back. I felt good [to come back] but I liked all the people I saw.'

"I asked Robin whom he saw and he said they were too bright, but, 'One man held me and I felt so good I wanted to stay, but he said no.'

"Just a few days ago, I reminded Robin of what he told me but he didn't remember and laughed at me. Maybe someday he will remember again."

The second case Bush studied was reported by the child's mother in a phone conversation. The child, who was very frightened of water, was four years old when he accidentally fell into their apartment swimming pool. The situation looked grave and the doctors who treated him at a local hospital were sure the boy's brain would be impaired. They also told his mother it was unlikely that he would remember what had happened. Despite the poor prognosis the boy recovered fully and thereafter seemed to have undergone a remarkable transformation. For one thing, he no longer feared water! Not until a year later did he describe what he remembered of the accident. His mother told the IANDS staff:

"One day he came to me and said, 'Sit down, I have to talk to you, Mother.' That's not my five-year-old. He never calls me 'Mother.' He went on, 'When I drowned, I didn't want to come back. I saw something real pretty in the sky. I saw you and Josie and another lady working on me. I was sitting on the roof and I could see you.'

"Then it got real dark and I walked down a tunnel. There was a bright light at the end and a man was standing there.'

"I asked, 'Who was the man?'"

"He said, 'It was God. And I said I wanted to stay. But God said it wasn't my time yet and I had to come back. On the way back I saw the devil. He said if I did what he wanted, I could have anything I want.'"

"I said, 'You know God is good and the devil is evil.'"

"My son said, 'The devil said I could have anything I wanted but I didn't want him bossing me around.'"

"I said, 'Mom and Dad wanted you back real bad and God knew that. He let you come back to us.' As this conversation ended, he said, 'When I fell in the water, I called and called for you, but you didn't hear me.'"

This boy went on to develop a severe moodiness and some behavior problems. It is not clear whether these related to his near-drowning but his mother thought he sometimes seemed obsessed with the memory of the experience.

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WHETHER the study of cases such as these will eventually contribute to our understanding of the near-death experience is moot. Some researchers, among them Gabbard and Morse, believe that children's NDEs counter several psychologically-based theories about the phenomenon. Specifically, they feel that such reports cannot be explained as the result of prior religious indoctrination or as a complex defense against the threat of death. Other researchers—such as Nancy Bush—are content to show that NDEs reported by young children seem no different in content from those reported by adults. This would support the view that the experience is subjectively real and universal.

But do such cases prove that the near-death experience is paranormal rather than psychological? No answer to this question has been forthcoming. Some researchers have voiced the opinion that children's NDEs help establish the literal reality of the phenomenon but others disagree. Gabbard and Twemlow, for instance, found that the cases they collected contained hints that a psychodynamic process may underlie the way the NDE is experienced. They call particular attention to the "beings of light" so often described in children's reports. Working on the theory that such "beings" are internalized representations of the parents, the psychiatrists show in *With the Eyes of the Mind* that progressively older children imbue these figures with more complex personal attributes. As children mature and resolve the oedipal conflict between the ages of four and seven, this is just the way they come to perceive their parents.

The Kansas psychiatrists are not dogmatic about their position. "We are not implying in this analysis," they write, "that the being of light is definitively the internalized parent That may or may not be the case. We are saying that whatever figure is perceived in the course of the near-death experience will be perceived through an individual filter or template of internalized objects, which is developmentally determined by the age of the child and the child's experience with significant objects in his or her environment."

In short, no one is quite sure how important the study of children's NDEs will turn out to be. For now such cases constitute simply another fascinating chapter in the study of a truly mysterious phenomenon.

by Harold Helfer

STRANGE TO SAY

While fishing on a lake near Oslo, Norway, Regnuhild Andersen watched with dismay as a gold earring dropped from her ear and sank to the bottom. A week later, after catching a cod in the same area, she found the earring in its stomach while she was cleaning it.

Three young thieves stole the purse of a 77-year-old woman by cutting a window screen of her Indianapolis apartment. They went on a spending spree with \$50 they found in it. But the woman laughed last—not only because the police arrested the three youths and recovered her purse. It still contained \$4000 the thieves had overlooked. The money was wrapped in Kleenex.

Antonia Fasick of Springfield, Va., who was born in an elevator 33 years ago, gave birth to a son in a less confining space but it was still not exactly a conventional location. It occurred in a parking lot.

Assuming he had lost, Joseph Wyatt tore up his New Jersey lottery ticket. Then something told him to recheck it. Sure enough, he had won a prize, the top one: \$1,617,530. He put together the torn pieces and claimed the fortune.

Paul and Arthur Willard, twin brothers of Lake Worth, Fla., operated a trucking company and were practically inseparable for 83 years. They died after heart attacks within four days of each other.

Marco and Roberto Ferieri, twin brothers of Milan, Italy, are skydiving enthusiasts. Parachuting near the Milan airport, Roberto made a perfect landing but Marco broke his right leg. A few hours later Roberto's car was involved in a smashup and his right leg was broken.

When Councilman Tony Danzo of New Philadelphia, Ohio, complained about speeders in the town, police set up a stakeout. The first speeder they nabbed was Tony Danzo.

Rene Schatz of Twin Falls, Idaho, wound up in the hospital when he was struck by his own van. He had parked it with the motor running and gone around to the rear when his "little puff of a dog" jumped on the vehicle's center console, exerting just enough force to move the gearshift into reverse. The van knocked Schatz down and didn't stop until it crashed into a fence.



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THE GHOST THAT HATED HITLER

During 18-month stay in Germany, American military family lived with a spirit which seemed ashamed of wartime Nazi association.

By Charlotte Richards

THE HOUSE at No. 2 Mungelterweg was just an ordinary house—or so it seemed at first. It wasn't even old, as houses go, having been built only a few years before World War II. An imposing structure of cream-colored stucco, it was located on a quiet street in Speicher, a picturesque farm village in the state of Rheinland-Pfalz, not far from the borders of France, Belgium and Luxembourg.

I first saw the house in November 1964. My husband Fred, who was in the United States Air Force, had left Arizona in September, having been assigned to Spangdahlem Air Base, an American fighter base a few miles from Speicher. Because of an acute housing shortage in the Spangdahlem area, I stayed behind with our five children until Fred could find off-base quarters and send for us.

After much searching, he found the house at No. 2 Mungelterweg and what a lucky find it was! The rent was only \$100 a month for a huge three-story dwelling with plenty of room for the children (who ranged in age from almost 18 months to 12 years). It was also in an ideal location—within two blocks of the bank, *Polizei* (police), *Konditorei*

(pastry shop) and the bus stop on Bahnhofstrasse where the children could catch the bus to the air base school. In the other direction the short street led to a lookout point and a breathtaking view of the Kyll River valley, hundreds of feet below.

We congratulated ourselves on our good fortune and began to settle in. For the first few months we were busy exploring the village, making new friends and beginning to learn a little German. It wasn't until spring arrived that the first upsetting event occurred.

One Monday in April I spent the morning washing clothes in the old-fashioned wringer machine in the basement. After lunch I put Lori down for a nap in the upstairs bedroom which she shared with her 12-year-old sister Pam, then decided to relax with a cup of tea. As I sat at the kitchen table, I suddenly heard a man's footsteps going up the open staircase from the entry hall to the second floor.

That's strange, I thought. Fred didn't tell me he was coming home early. I opened the kitchen door and called, "Fred, what are you doing home so early?"

The footsteps kept sounding on the

stairs but Fred didn't answer. I climbed the stairs to the second floor and went into our bedroom, repeating, "Why are you home so early?"

I stopped short. No one was there. I pushed open the door to the girls' room. Except for the sleeping Lori no one was in the room. I looked into the room shared by Keith and Kevin. Empty.

From the doorway to the boys' room I could see directly into the large old-fashioned bathroom at the opposite end of the wide hall. Fred wasn't there, either. At one end of the bathroom a door opened onto a stairway to the third floor. Most of the third floor was attic space we used for storage but at the far end, an area had been walled off to make a small bedroom. Our 10-year-old son Kerry had claimed it as his own because it was quiet up there and he could build rocket models without being disturbed by his younger brothers. I climbed up the steep stairs and emerged into the gloomy half-light of the attic.

Almost squarely in the center of the attic a huge fireplace reached from floor to ceiling. From the hooks in its cavernous interior I surmised it had been used to smoke hams and bacon. I picked my way around it and through the boxes and trunks looming out of the shadows and opened the door to Kerry's room. No one was there but the window was open slightly and a cold breeze was coming in. As I walked over to shut it, my attention was drawn to an open book on Kerry's desk—a book about World War II. To my surprise, the pages suddenly riffled as if turned by an unseen finger, opening slowly to a picture of Adolph Hitler. I marched hastily to the window and slammed it down. Merely the wind, I told myself.

Back downstairs, I searched the remaining rooms, the basement and the garage, finding nothing unusual.

That night I said to Fred casually, "You didn't come home earlier today for any reason, did you?"

He looked up in surprise. "No, why?"

"I thought I heard footsteps but I guess it was just the house creaking." I decided not to say anything more about what had happened that afternoon.

After several uneventful weeks, I had almost forgotten the incident when I heard footsteps again while I was ironing. Hastily snatching up the hot iron, I ran out into the hall, determined to frighten off any prowler who might have broken into the house. I heard the footsteps go up to the landing, turn and continue to the second floor. In hot pursuit I took the steps two at a time. The upper hall was empty. Again I searched the house from top to bottom without finding a trace of an intruder.

Back in the kitchen I poured myself a stiff swig of German cognac (which I don't even like). "In the words of Alice in Wonderland," I said aloud, "this is becoming 'curiouser and curiouser.' " It wasn't Fred or a prowler, the children were in school and I didn't believe in ghosts. It had to be the house creaking.

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THE HOUSE soon found other ways of attracting my attention. On a sunny day in May I began to think idly about the footsteps on the stairs. After mulling over all the possibilities, again I rejected the idea of a "ghost." Lost in thought, I was suddenly startled by a rattling sound. Glancing at the kitchen door, I saw to my horror that the handle

was moving up and down. Absolutely convinced that this time a prowler was in the hall, I snatched up a butcher knife. With a combination of fear and anger pumping adrenalin through my veins, I ran to the door, threw it open with a crash and came to an abrupt halt. No one was in the hall. I had a clear view of the open staircase and as I stood there, perplexed, I could hear the footsteps of an invisible presence walking up the stairs. This time I didn't even bother searching the house. I lay down on the living room couch and tried to calm my nerves.

That evening I told Fred about the strange things that had been happening.

"Do you think I'm losing my mind?" I asked him. "Nobody hears the footsteps except me."

Fred, rational and levelheaded as always, tried to soothe me. "No, I don't think you're going crazy. There must be a perfectly natural explanation. Maybe it's some trick of acoustics. Perhaps the footsteps of someone walking along the sidewalk sound as if they're going up the stairs."

"Then what caused the kitchen door handle to move up and down?"

"Well, you said the kitchen window was open. Maybe a draft rattled the door."

I protested, "But there wasn't a bit of wind this afternoon."

"How about a sonic boom?" Fred said. "The F-105's from Spangdahlem shake the house when they break the sound barrier."

I shook my head. "I'd have to be deaf not to recognize a sonic boom."

Fred hugged me reassuringly. "Well, I still don't think you're going crazy.

Tomorrow I'll ask some of the villagers if they've ever heard anything about the house."

All he could learn was that the house had been the headquarters of a Nazi labor organization during World War II. No one had ever heard of any unusual happenings at No. 2 Mungelterweg.

The house now produced new tactics from its repertoire of tricks. One day Pam and her friend Deby Eaddy decided to sneak up to Kerry's room while he was out hiking, although his bedroom was strictly off limits. I was downstairs sewing when I heard piercing shrieks and the sounds of the two girls bolting down the stairs as if the devil were after them. I ran into the hall and found them blubbing incoherently.

"What in heaven's name is the matter? I told you girls not to go into Kerry's room. What did he do—set a booby trap for you?"

Deby shook her head fearfully. "No, Mrs. Richards, we didn't even go into his room. We had just gotten to the top of the stairs when all of a sudden the whole attic was filled with music. It was coming from that old radio in the corner near Kerry's room."

Pam chimed in, "It sounded like German military music and it was so loud it hurt our ears."

Leaving the girls huddled together, I went to the attic and inspected the dusty old radio; obviously it hadn't been played for years. I opened the window in Kerry's room but could hear no music coming from anywhere outside the house. A close investigation failed to reveal any device Kerry could have used to turn on the music by remote control. When questioned later about

the incident, Kerry indignantly denied making any attempt to harass Deby and Pam.

Another frightening occurrence came a few weeks later. One evening Fred and I left Pam at home to baby-sit the younger children while we went to see a horror movie at the base theater. When we returned, the light in the entry hall was off. As I opened the front door and stepped into total darkness, I was startled to hear an ominous rustling sound directly overhead. Before I could move, the flapping wings of some dreadful "thing" began to beat me about the head and shoulders. I screamed in sheer panic. The frightened children rushed into the hall as Fred hurriedly turned on the light.

"Something attacked me!" I shrieked.

Fred pointed to the floor. Lying open on the black and white tiles was the book I had seen in Kerry's room. Again it lay open to the same page—the picture of Adolph Hitler.

"Here's your attacker," he said. "It must have fallen from the railing upstairs. Kerry probably set it there and the draft from the opening door dislodged it."

Hesitantly I agreed. It was certainly preferable to thinking some mysterious entity was deliberately dropping books on my head.

Except for the music that frightened Pam and Deby, all of the incidents seemed directed at me. Although I continued to hear the footsteps occasionally, no one else ever heard them—that is, until the summer of 1966. That year a friend of ours, Ed Deardurff, came to visit us from Wheelus Air Base in Libya where he was stationed.

One evening at dinner I casually

mentioned that the builder of the house had constructed a smokehouse in the attic. Ed showed immediate interest.

"Smokehouse? In the attic? That's unusual. May I see it?"

Surprised at his interest, I led him up the stairs to the third floor. Ed walked all the way around the smokehouse, inspecting it closely, then said, "I wonder—"

I replied, "I know what you're thinking and the answer is no. The house was headquarters for a Nazi organization during the war but there's no evidence that the attic was used for any sinister activities."

As we started back to the stairs, we both heard a strange noise coming from deep inside the dark attic. I tried to laugh it off. "Oh, that was probably our ghost. He makes an appearance every now and then."

"Ghost?" Ed exclaimed. "Do you really have a ghost? Tell me about it." He sat down on a packing crate and listened intently as I related some of the strange things that had happened, concluding with the footsteps on the stairs.

He snapped his fingers excitedly and said, "So that's what I heard. After you all left for church last Sunday I heard somebody walking around upstairs. I went up to see who it was but nobody was there. I finally decided it was the house creaking so I didn't say anything about it."

I smiled with relief. "Ed, I'm so glad to hear you say that." At least I knew I wasn't losing my mind. "But there must be a natural explanation for the footsteps."

"Well," Ed said, "if you've ruled out everything else, that leaves only

one possibility—the house really is haunted.”

“But I don’t believe in ghosts.”

“Maybe you don’t but whatever it is you’re hearing seems to be trying to lead you upstairs for some reason. Once you find out why the footsteps will probably stop.”

A search of the attic revealed nothing unusual except an old license plate and several old clocks, none of which worked. Ed returned to Libya disappointed that the mystery hadn’t been solved and I resigned myself to hearing the mysterious footsteps for the rest of our stay in Speicher.

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ONE SATURDAY afternoon Kerry decided to climb up to the attic rafters to look out of a small window near the peak of the roof. I was dusting the living room when I heard him calling, “Mother, Mother, come and see what I found!”

I reached the top of the attic stairs as

Kerry swung down from the rafters. He handed me a large flat object which was covered with a thick coating of dust. Wiping it off, I saw that it was a framed picture of Hitler—the same portrait I had seen in the book which fell on my head.

I stared at the picture. Was this image of the malevolent dictator the reason the footsteps trudged up the stairs time after time? Had the house been trying to purge itself of the unwelcome Nazi association? Or had the happenings that had plagued us for more than a year and a half been merely the result of coincidence, atmospheric conditions or overactive imagination?

A year later we reluctantly left Germany for a new assignment in the States. To this day, all I can say with any degree of certainty about the whole affair is this: After the picture of Hitler was removed from its dusty hiding place, the mysterious footsteps were never heard again.



ACTING ON A PREMONITION

By W. Ritchie Benedict

THE CANADIAN Press in late 1983 released the story of a premonition that saved the life of a man in Calgary, Alberta.

Staff writer Peter O’Neil described an emotionally drained Lisa fighting back tears as she told how “intuition” saved her close friend from a cabin blaze that killed five people. Her friend Matthew agrees that he owes his life to Lisa.

A premonition prompted 17-year-old Lisa to take Matthew home from a party in the woodland cabin northwest of Cochrane just hours before a raging fire leveled the structure. Matthew, aged 20, had passed out in one of the cabin’s bedrooms while 30 young people were

partying. Shortly after midnight Lisa decided to wake him up and take him home.

“Everyone wanted me to let him stay there,” said Lisa whose parents own a cottage nearby. “I don’t know why but I just had a feeling I should wake him up. I’m glad I did.”

She said she returned to the party and thought about staying the night but she finally headed back to her parents’ cabin.

Matthew was stunned after the experience. “It was a good thing she woke me up,” he said, adding that the reality of how close he came to dying “will probably hit me in a couple of days.”

CAPTAIN ROBSON'S LOST ISLAND

The island rose out of the ocean, revealed evidence of a lost civilization—then vanished without a trace.

By William L. Moore

ONCE PAST THE Madeira Islands, the shipping lanes between the Straits of Gibraltar and the Gulf of Mexico are a lonely place, for beyond that point lies nothing but several thousand miles of empty, windswept Atlantic. Over the years many strange stories have been told about mysterious happenings in that stretch of ocean. Perhaps the strangest concerns the reported experience of Capt. David Amory Robson, master of the steamship *Jesmond*, when he chanced across that area of water more than a century ago.

For many hundreds of years that particular expanse has been rumored to be the watery resting place of a legendary ancient civilization. Although geological evidence seems to indicate that at least parts of the area must have been above water in the last 10 to 20,000 years, no one has ever found anything sufficiently conclusive to challenge the conventional wisdom that holds Atlantis to be no more than a curiously tenacious myth.

There is, however, the strange story of Captain Robson, who may or may not have found the proof that has eluded so many for so long.

David A. Robson was born in South Shields, England, on October 20, 1839. He was the holder of Ship's Master's Certificate No. 27911 in the British Merchant Marine and was already an experienced seafarer when in the latter part of 1881 he drew command of the S.S. *Jesmond*, a 1945-ton steamer owned by Messrs. Watts, Watts & Co. of Threadneedle Street in London.

The winter of 1881-82 saw the *Jesmond* enjoying the warmth of various Mediterranean ports. Then on February 22 it departed Messina with a cargo of dried fruits destined for New Orleans on what all assumed would be a leisurely five-week voyage.

By March 1 the *Jesmond* had cleared Gibraltar. Following the trade routes, it continued its southwesterly voyage uneventfully past the Madeiras and the Canaries and out into the open Atlantic. It was at about latitude 26 degrees north and longitude 22 degrees west that the first indications of something out of the ordinary appeared.

Robson thought it strange that the usually clear seawater of the area had suddenly taken on a dark, murky appearance. His puzzlement gave way to concern when the *Jesmond* came upon thick masses of recently dead fish. All night long, mile after mile, the ship

plowed through the carpet of fish. Finally, curious but tiring of the sight, Robson retired for the night, leaving orders to be awakened immediately if there was any change in the situation.

His second officer's frantic pounding on the door early the next morning brought word of just such a change. Either the man was crazy or land had been sighted dead ahead. Robson rushed to the bridge, rubbed his eyes and stared in astonishment. There, where the charts indicated nothing but 2000 fathoms of saltwater, was a new and uncharted island, complete with several lofty and still smoking peaks!

Fearful of reefs, Robson ordered speed reduced to a near-crawl and began taking precautionary soundings. Almost at once the lead registered bottom at a mere 300 feet. The captain could hardly conceal his confusion. The pervasive odor of dead fish, the sight of an island where there should have been none and now a sea bottom of 300 feet where there should have been 12,000—all worked to convince him that either he was no longer on earth or something extraordinary had occurred.

Proceeding cautiously and continuing to take soundings, Robson guided the *Jesmond* toward the mountainous apparition. At about 10 miles from shore, Robson decided not to risk his ship in the increasingly shallow water which now registered only slightly more than 40 feet deep and was getting shallower. He stopped all engines and dropped anchor. Quickly a boat was put over the side and Robson, accompanied by a third officer and a landing party, set off to explore the unknown.

As he made his way slowly along the lower western side of the island, he

found himself facing a large flat expanse of what appeared to be volcanic debris stretching inland toward a high plateau some miles away. Beyond this he could see peaks of distant volcanoes. The area seemed arid and devoid of life. Unable to find anything resembling a beach—a fact that in itself indicated the island couldn't have been there for any length of time—Robson directed his boat to what seemed to be a bed of coarse gravel fronting the shoreline.

The men scrambled ashore to view a landscape that might as well have been on the moon. Although Robson ordered his men to keep together, efforts to explore any distance inland from the rocky shore were repeatedly blocked by a hodgepodge of pumice, huge boulders and deep crevasses, some emitting thin columns of steam.

Eventually the party returned to the graveled area to decide what ought to be done next. While waiting for the captain's decision, one of the sailors began nervously picking around in the rocks with the tip of his boat hook. To his amazement he turned up a flint arrowhead. This touched off a general search of the area and sailors were sent running to fetch picks and shovels from the longboat. Soon the workers uncovered the ruins of two massive stone walls; between them was an opening leading to a rubble-filled interior.

For the rest of that day and all of the next Robson's men busily excavated and transported to the *Jesmond* a fantastic collection of artifacts and treasures, including bronze spearheads, short cross-hilted swords, rings, hammers, various stone implements, a pair of large spherical wide-mouthed vases

carved with birds and animals and inscribed with strange hieroglyphics, an array of bones with a nearly complete skull, and, incredibly, what seemed to be a mummified body in a large stone sarcophagus encrusted with small shells.

That night Robson wrestled with an agonizing decision. His natural impulse was to stay on and investigate further. Unfortunately the weather was worsening noticeably and he already had a two-day delay to make up. At last, realizing his first duty was to his employers, Robson decided there was nothing to be done but carefully note the island's position (Lat. 25 degrees N., Long. 23 degrees, 40 minutes W.) and sail on to New Orleans with his cargo in the hope of being able to visit the place again on the return trip to England.

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ACCORDING TO the *New Orleans Times-Democrat* for April 2, 1882, the *Jesmond* docked in New Orleans and was in port seven days. Records indicate it "crossed the bar" into New Orleans harbor at 7:30 A.M., March 31. Noon the next day found the ship tied up at "Post 14, First District," at the foot of Erato Street, where it began to unload its cargo into the warehouses of A. B. French & Co.

During the unloading Robson went ashore for a drink and a few moments of much-needed relaxation. While ensconced at a wharfside tavern table with a glass of rum, Robson was approached by the "Marine Intelligence" reporter of the *New Orleans Daily Picayune* and asked how his recent crossing had gone. The reporter must have been more than a little surprised to hear what Robson had to tell him.

The result of the interview appeared in the next morning's *Picayune* as a lengthy article under prominent headlines proclaiming: A TALE OF THE SEA/INTERESTING NARRATIVE OF A STEAMSHIP CAPTAIN/A STRANGE ISLAND AND RELICS OF AN ANCIENT PEOPLE DISCOVERED.

The substance of the interview was reported in at least 11 other newspapers across the country ranging from the prestigious *Chicago Times*, the *New York Sun* and the *St. Louis Globe Democrat* to the obscure *Odebolt [Iowa] Reporter*. The story inspired such a flood of mail from all over the country that on April 23 the *Picayune* issued a disclaimer in which it dismissed the whole affair as "an April Fool story."

The April Fool explanation has some degree of credibility in light of the facts surrounding a seemingly related item which appeared under a "Maritime" news heading in a different section of the same newspaper. According to this item, datelined "New York, March 31," one Capt. James Newdick of the steamer *Westbourne* arrived in New York from Marseilles, France, that same day and reported "having sighted a new volcanic island about latitude 25½ degrees north and [longitude] 24 degrees west" (*Picayune*, April 1).

Although this appears to confirm Captain Robson's story from an entirely independent source (indeed so much so that other writers picked it up and incorporated it into their own coverage of the tale without bothering to check further), a search of the New York newspaper files for the period in question uncovered the truth. These records do indeed confirm the arrival of Captain

Newdick (variously spelled "Dick" and "Neudick") aboard the 275-foot, 1886-ton steam schooner *Westbourne* at the Port of New York on March 31 after a "stormy crossing." But beyond that the attendant facts do not support the *Daily Picayune's* account in any way.

In fact, a front-page story in the April 1, 1882, edition of the *New York Star* entitled "Heavy Weather at Sea" not only fails to mention the discovery of any new island but tells quite a different story. According to this account, the *Westbourne's* last port of call had been Newport, England, not Marseilles, France. It apparently had left Newport on March 10 (although this is reported elsewhere as March 8), accomplished a direct crossing in 21 days (thus limited mostly to the 40- to 50-degree latitude belt) and was nearly sunk twice by severe mid-Atlantic storms. One of these storms, the article notes, was encountered at latitude 48 degrees north, longitude 44 degrees west.

Given these facts, we can only conclude that the *Daily Picayune's* report of Captain Newdick's confirmation of an uncharted island at 25 degrees, 30 minutes north latitude, 24 degrees west longitude, amounts to nothing less than a deliberate fabrication and goes a long way toward discrediting the entire affair. Unfortunately both Newdick and the *Westbourne* were lost in a shipwreck in 1890 and a search for any surviving logbooks has proven futile.

In line with the hoax possibility we must also note that, while the arrival, activities and departure of the *Jesmond* are duly recorded by the *Picayune's* rival newspaper the *Times-Democrat* (in editions for April 1, 2, 5, 7 and 8), no

mention of Robson's mysterious island is made in any of these. Indeed, the *Times-Democrat* for April 2 records only that the *Jesmond's* voyage from "Messina via Palermo and Gibraltar" had been "all ordinary passage." Both the *Picayune* and the *Times-Democrat* record that Captain Robson sailed from New Orleans on April 6. He arrived in London on May 19 with a cargo of phosphate taken on at Coosaw, S.C.

As for Robson's Island, if it ever existed at all outside the realm of an April Fool's joke, its existence must have been brief indeed. At least, no other mention of such a place has ever been discovered in the annals of the Atlantic sea-lanes for 1882.

Yet, curiously, there are some parts of the Robson-*Picayune* story that do hold up under investigation. Other ships, for example, did encounter the same murky sea and the same carpet of dead fish as did the *Jesmond*. Indeed, numerous accounts mention that ships sailed through huge masses of dead fish and they describe the stench of the rotting mess when it washed up on America's eastern seaboard several weeks later. One ship reported sailing for 11 hours through a solid mass of floating bodies nearly 70 miles wide, only to be outdone by a report from the British Institute of Oceanography which estimated that some 7500 square miles of Atlantic was covered with over half a million tons of dead fish.

Prof. S. F. Baird of the U.S. Fisheries Commission identified many of the fish as members of the genus *Lopholatilus* (tilefish). Baird theorized that either the fish had been killed when undersea volcanic activity heated the waters or an exceptionally fierce mid-Atlantic storm

had been responsible for the deaths. The reported locations of these carpets of dead fish, however, were generally somewhat more north and west of the location given for Robson's island; yet they are still close enough so that Robson's claims cannot be dismissed out of hand.

One other piece of supporting evidence is to be found in the navigational charts of the area. While late-19th-Century charts generally report a uniform depth of about 2000 fathoms in the vicinity of Robson's reported island, soundings taken during an updating of charts following World War II produced quite different results. In 1954, at a spot closely approximating Robson's reported coordinates and about 100 miles north of the Great Meteor Bank (which itself was discovered only in 1927), an extensive new undersea bank was reported with an average depth of only 11 fathoms (66 feet). Both banks are located on exactly the same extensive volcanic fault as the Azores—lands long associated with the Atlantis legends—and both are considered likely spots by modern geologists for the sort of up-and-down island Robson and his crew reported. If Robson fabricated his story, he certainly picked the right spot. It hardly need be said that 19th-Century geology had no way of knowing any of this.

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BUT THEN, why fake such a story in the first place? History shows that Robson never attempted to profit by it. Nor does publicity appear to have been the motive; if it was, how do we explain both Robson's and the *Picayune's* failure to capitalize on the interest generated by the paper's initial

account—especially in light of the fact that the *Picayune* was then engaged in an intense circulation battle with the *New Orleans Times-Democrat*?

If the story was so patently false, one would think the *Times-Democrat* would have jumped on the matter as a convenient way to heap ridicule on its rival. The two newspapers were battling each other over the issue of which had the larger circulation. Indeed, on April 2, 1882, the *Times-Democrat* challenged the *Picayune* to "wager \$10,000 to settle the issue." No mention was made, though, of the *Picayune's* publishing phony stories—either then or later that same month after the *Picayune's* "April Fool" statement appeared.

We should also consider that Captain Robson could hardly have endeared himself to his employers in London by reporting a nonexistent island in the middle of a shipping lane. That kind of activity could only have led the firm to question not just his sanity but also his right to further employment. If the story was a fake, then from the standpoint of both his career and his reputation, Robson would clearly have been a fool to be party to it.

But sad to say, the remaining evidence that can be offered in support of Robson's story is sparse indeed. A search for the *Jesmond's* logbook instituted by British writer L. D. Hills during the early 1950's drew a blank when Hills learned that the document was lost when the offices of the ship's owners were firebombed during the London blitz in the fall of 1940. At the same time inquiries made to Lloyd's of London served only to confirm that the *Jesmond* was indeed once a merchant ship, that Captain Robson was once its

master and that the vessel had indeed sailed to New Orleans during the period in question.

Robson's hometown was listed as Jarrow in the county of Durham. Hills instituted an extensive search of antique and curio shops in the area in the slim hope of uncovering a clue to the fate of the presumed artifacts. Durham, Ireland, is a conservative area and antique dealers sometimes have long memories; even so, nothing turned up.

If there ever were any relics and any truth to Robson's reported desire to turn them over to the British Museum

on his return, the captain may have had second thoughts when he failed to find the island again on his return trip. He may have concluded that, rather than risk ridicule at the hands of an incredulous press, it would be better simply to sell them quietly on the side as the "Egyptian relics" the newspaper account said they so closely resembled. If this is so, then it is remotely possible that evidence of a lost civilization reposes today in some unsuspecting antique collector's display case or dusty storage vault quietly awaiting rediscovery.



LIGHTNING NEVER STRIKES TWICE?

By Joy M. Hall

THE OLD notion that lightning never strikes twice has been proven untrue. The home of Betty Jo and Ernest Hudson in the small community of Winburn Chapel in Green County, Mississippi, was struck by lightning for the third straight year during the summer of 1984. In fact, in this latest electrifying experience, the Hudsons' home was hit twice in the same day.

Betty Jo reports that she is no stranger to lightning bolts. It seems they have followed her around all her life.

"Do you think I could be one of those people who attract lightning?" she asks. When she was a child, the right side of her face and head suffered a lightning strike. Her parents' home was hit twice more before it was completely destroyed by lightning in 1958.

Residents of Winburn Chapel are beginning to suspect that chemicals under the ground are somehow at-

tracting lightning to their community. In 1983 a house across the street from the Hudsons' home was severely damaged.

In their latest mishap, the Hudsons were all at home, shelling butterbeans, when a summer storm rolled in.

"Before we knew what happened, lightning hit our home," said Betty Jo, adding that the first strike killed a hunting dog who was chained to his doghouse. The family immediately took shelter on the bed in a front bedroom. When the second strike came, it broke a window in a back bedroom and hit the bed.

"If we had taken shelter on that bed, we would have been hit," said Betty Jo.

Deep ruts across the yard mark the trail of the lightning. As well as killing the dog, the lightning hit a pump and a catalpa tree.

Needless to say, the Hudsons believe that lightning can and does strike twice.



THE GAME THAT KILLED



1984 Lee Boltin

Players' specialized apparel protected them from the rigors of the aggressive game. These ceramic figures, murals and drawings have been found depicting ballplayers with kneepads, armpads, gloves, padded belts and close-fitting helmets.

Mayan noblemen, lordly fans and ordinary people,
caught up in the betting fervor, wagered their very lives . . .

By Glen Dines

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FROM EL TAJIN in Mexico to Copan in Honduras, ancient Mesoamerican ruins have something in common—intriguing, strangely shaped enclosures. The largest is a massive arena, 550 feet long, in Yucatan's famous Chichen Itza. One of the smallest, part of the splendid Mayan ruins of Tikal in Guatemala, is half the length of a modern bowling alley. Seen

from above, most of these roofless structures resemble the letter "I." To add to the mystery, the longer center sections almost always run north to south.

What went on in the enclosures is equally intriguing. Mayans called it *poktatok*. Aztecs knew it as *tlachtli*. In the words of Spanish historian Diego Duran, it was "... a popular and solemn game, much played by the lords, in which some, having lost their wealth, staked their own lives."

Since the ball courts were usually built adjacent to towering multicolored

temples, the scene at game times must have been spectacular: bordering shrubbery and palm trees, vivid green against a bright turquoise sky; swirling clouds of pungent incense; proud players parading in elaborate ritual regalia; lordly onlookers dressed in feathered robes and headdresses, flashing jade and tawny jaguar skins.

Pregame activities probably included solemn religious ceremonies and thereafter it was time for the contestants to strip for action—although perhaps “strip” is the wrong word. A 1200-year-old Mayan drawing depicts a ballplayer equipped with kneepad, a kind of wraparound chest protector and stylish jaguar skin trailing over his backside. Atop his head is a jaunty, wide-brimmed straw hat, just the thing for a sunny day

of ball playing. Stylized ball court murals suggest the use of armpads, gloves, padded belts and close-fitting helmets as well. Some archaeologists believe the huge Olmec statues in the form of helmeted human heads found in southern Mexico actually represent ballplayers.

Why all this protection? The game ball, made of solid rubber, was hard, heavy and extremely lively. One of them so fascinated Christopher Columbus that he took it back to Spain. Even the scholarly Duran paints a lyrical literary portrait of a ball “. . . jumping and bouncing . . . upwards and downwards, to and fro. It can exhaust the pursuer running after it before he can catch up with it.”

The ball Columbus took back was

Flora L. Phelps



The largest and most impressive ball court ruins have been found at Chichen Itza. One of the smallest, half the length of a modern bowling alley, is in Tikal, Guatemala.



Many ball courts still have stone rings projecting from opposite walls at the center of playing area. Apparently the object was to knee, hip or butt the heavy rubber ball through the ring aperture—although it is only slightly larger than the ball.

black, shiny, hard to the touch and slightly larger than a modern volley-ball—a formidable projectile indeed! Why, then, does Duran tell us that gloves were worn as protection against abrasions from contact with the floor? Why would the players go scuttling about on all fours? And why is the ancient Mayan ballplayer's elegant jaguar skin draped over his *backside*? This mystery is solved when we learn that players were penalized if they touched the ball with any part of their bodies except knees, hips and buttocks!

As if this weren't tricky enough, many ball courts feature stone rings projecting from opposite walls at the center of the playing area. Those in the

huge Chichen Itza arena are about nine feet above the playing surface. Yet, apparently, the object was to knee, hip or butt the heavy rubber ball through the ring aperture—which is only slightly larger than the ball! When this rare feat was accomplished, the game ended and the player responsible was free to dash into the stands and claim all the finery and jewels he could grab from the scrambling spectators.

Ancient drawings in Mayan codices show playing areas divided into squares. Less spectacular points may have been scored when one team managed to propel the ball into these squares or into one of the transversal areas at each end of the enclosure.

Flora L. Phelps



Height of the ring at midpoint of the court is about nine feet. Ancient Mayan manuscripts show playing areas divided into squares and scholars believe that less spectacular points may have been scored when a team managed to get the ball into one.



Flora L. Phelps

Austere expression of the ceramic figure attests to the seriousness of the sport, said to have been played by noblemen, even Montezuma. It is speculated, however, that nobles didn't actually play but were represented by highly paid professionals.

Additional insight into scoring comes by way of Aztec history. It seems the famous but ill-fated emperor Montezuma was playing ball against the ruler of a nearby province to test the veracity of a prophecy that strange visitors were coming to Mexico. If nothing else, the emperor's opponent was confident. He had wagered his entire kingdom against three of Montezuma's turkeys! The emperor won the first two games, only to lose the contest three out of five. The subsequent arrival of Cortez and his army only added to Montezuma's misfortune.

It is possible these noble sportsmen didn't actually play but were represented by highly paid professionals. According to Duran, although the games were played by "nobility, the lords, captains . . . and important men," there were others of lesser rank who played for profit or a chance to better their social standing.

Indeed, the rewards for winning were great but so were the risks. Players suffered massive bruises which required painful lancing. And worse, Duran reports, some players ". . . tired and without having rested . . . died on the spot when hit [by the ball] in the mouth or stomach"

It is reported that players and lordly fans gambled heavily. Ordinary people, caught up in the betting fervor, sometimes wagered themselves, risking a life of slavery on the fickle bounce of a rubber ball.

Scenes depicted on walls of several surviving ball courts are equally grim. One of these beautifully carved murals is especially explicit, showing a player—perhaps the captain of a winning team—holding aloft the severed head of another player.

All of which brings us to a most intriguing—and terrifying—aspect of the "popular and solemn" games. Obviously they were something more than a pleasant afternoon's diversion. They were, in fact, a vital element in the total culture, associated with profound philosophical and cosmic forces. Touching the core of religious beliefs, the ball court may have represented the universe and the ball and players heavenly bodies. With this lofty list of characters, the game itself became the reenactment of the age-old conflict between fundamental good and evil—much more a deeply religious happening than a mere athletic contest.

In addition, the "final whistle" of an especially important encounter may have signaled more than the end of the game. It may also have announced the imminent demise of at least one member of the losing team. This unfortunate athlete—of noble birth or not—was summarily hustled off to a nearby temple and sacrificed to the gods. It is understandable that these ancient players and onlookers alike were motivated to risk everything on the outcome of such important, spectacular—albeit deadly—"popular and solemn" games.



GAINED IN TRANSLATION

WORD COMES from Taiwan that PepsiCo has canceled its billboard ad campaign there because its slogan, "Come Alive With the Pepsi Generation," can be read in Chinese: "Pepsi will bring your ancestors back from the dead."

Department of Amplification:

ABDUCTION, BIRTH TRAUMA AND TUNNEL VISION

We tend to find what we are looking for,
if we look hard enough, and not to find what we don't want to see.

THE UFOLOGY establishment has not taken kindly to Dr. Alvin H. Lawson's article "UFO Abductions or Birth Memories?" which appeared in the March 1985 issue of *FATE*. Usually, comments on articles appear in "Report from the Readers" but the response to Lawson's birth-trauma hypothesis deserves a wider platform than the letters column can provide.

Lawson introduced his hypothesis to the ufological community during the 1981 conference of the Center for UFO Studies in Chicago. From the beginning *FATE*'s consulting editor D. Scott Rogo has disputed Lawson's findings:

In "UFO Abductions or Birth Memories?" Lawson bemoans the fact that ufologists have not taken seriously his birth-trauma hypothesis (BTH). He has apparently never taken into account that there is no reason to consider it a viable explanation for the UFO abduction phenomenon. It is inconsistent with the literature on abductions as well as basic embryology.

Lawson bases his theory on his purported finding that experimental subjects asked to describe imaginary abductions come up with scenarios indistinguishable from allegedly genuine ones. His actual analysis consisted of extracting—ad hoc and post hoc—passages from the sessions which matched reports taken from the UFO literature on abduction experiences. He never attempted

to see if an independent judge, reading a randomly arranged series of genuine and imaginary abduction reports, could identify which was which. Such blind judging is the only test that could possibly substantiate Lawson's view and such an analysis has not been made.

Lawson claims that he has found statistical evidence that caesarian-born subjects and normal-birth subjects describe different types of imaginary abduction experiences. Here again he is relying on his personal opinion and a sample size of only 10 subjects. This is much too small to analyze and no statistical test known to experimental science could be applied to his small subgroups of eight and two people. There is, therefore, no way to show that differences between them are due to anything other than coincidence.

Lawson leans heavily on the birth imagery contained in UFO abduction scenarios. But according to his analysis just about anything an abductee describes could be called birth imagery—in the same sense that a Freudian psychoanalyst tends to find evidence of sexual imagery in every dream. I might add that tunnel imagery, which Lawson sees as particularly related to birth imagery, is a universal component of mental imagery in general. It is commonly reported by persons undergoing biofeedback training. Is this too the result of birth trauma?

We tend to find what we are looking for, especially if we look hard enough—and this

is just what Lawson has done. Nevertheless, embryologists know a great deal about what a baby senses and experiences during birth and their findings are hardly consistent with Lawson's views. For instance, a baby traveling down the birth canal experiences little more than a crushing, suffocating and totally dark journey. Is this what abductees describe? Furthermore, an infant would not be able to differentiate an "alien" figure because of the immaturity of his visual perception.

To support his theory Lawson relies on misinformation and even misrepresents at least one classic abduction case. He cites Betty Andreasson's UFO abduction experience because of all the birth imagery he sees in it—including the fact that the aliens looked like embryos, one of Lawson's hobbyhorses. But nowhere does he mention that before the abduction, Andreasson's father saw these same aliens hopping across the lawn outside the house.

Lawson goes on to claim that in cases where more than one person is abducted simultaneously, the subjects describe "separate subjective experiences rather than a shared abduction event." In my anthology *UFO Abductions*, I reprinted a report by FATE's associate editor Jerome Clark of two victims, independently hypnotized and given suggestions for posthypnotic amnesia, who described complementary and corroborative events. Even if Lawson's points were valid, his theory leaves unexplained how two people could simultaneously undergo anything so bizarre as a hallucinatory birth-memory experience. This is totally inconsistent with everything psychologists know about hallucinations.

Lawson sets forth three ways by which his theory could be falsified. I propose three more ways. It would be proved false if:

- (1) A case could be found of an abductee returning with an inexplicable scar or other physical evidence.
- (2) A case could be found in which the aliens were seen by another person who was not subsequently abducted.
- (3) A case of double or multiple abduction comes to light in which the testimony of witnesses is mutually corroborative.

Cases that meet these criteria do exist in the literature of UFO abductions. Budd Hopkins convincingly presents some of the

first type in his book *Missing Time* (1981). I therefore respectfully suggest that Lawson "pack up [his] ideas and go back to Square One."—D. Scott Rogo, Northridge, Calif.

Dr. Lawson replies:

I agree fully with D. Scott Rogo: "We tend to find what we are looking for." But regrettably, we also tend *not* to find what we don't want to see, even when the facts are shrieking, "Here I am, right under your noses!" I will respond to a few of the factual inaccuracies and wild charges against me and my ideas in Rogo's letter and by extension, I hope, to other critics.

Rogo says that abduction cases and embryologists' findings are "hardly consistent" with my views because "a baby traveling down the birth canal experiences little more than a crushing, suffocating" trip. And he asks, "Is this what abductees describe?"

Well, now, apparently Rogo is ignoring his own anthology of CE-III reports (*UFO Abductions*, 1980) in which most of the alleged abductees (such as Sandy Larson and Antonio Villas Boas) complain at various times of violent head pressure or breathing problems or both. Travis Walton, for instance, tells us (pp. 36-37): "... I had a lot of pain, in my head and chest mainly, but all over The air was so wet and heavy I could hardly breathe I ached all over, too, like I'd been crushed" Many instances of these and other such birth images appear in Rogo's own UFO books and articles. If these had been rattlesnakes, Rogo would have been bitten. Yet he witlessly uses them in a ludicrous attempt to attack the birth-trauma hypothesis. Who is more blind than he who will not see?

Rogo is apparently unaware of recent developments in embryology. His assertion that an infant would be unable to "differentiate an 'alien' figure because of the immaturity of his visual perception" is simply unfactual. He evidently bases this outdated and uninformed view on Carl B. Becker's paper on birth-fantasy models* which he praised because he felt it "should dispose of birth models once and for all." Many recent prenatal studies have shown that the fetus

*Contained in the anthology *The Near-Death Experience: Problems, Prospects, Perspectives* reviewed by Rogo in the March 1985 issue of FATE.

averts its eyes from a bright light placed on the mother's abdomen. Several studies of hours-old newborns prove they can mimic adults, moving limbs, mouths, tongues, etc. Such mimicking requires a highly developed visual capacity.

Most of the important fetal research has been done only in the past two or three decades. It encountered a stumbling block early in the incorrect 1933 study that held that the immaturity of embryonic-fetal nerve tissue prevented transmission of impulses and thus precluded both sensation and learning. It is now known that well-organized activity in the brain is possible from very early on and that the embryo-fetus is subject to a wide range of maternal and other environmental physiological and psychological influences for virtually its entire period in the womb. Some of this revolutionary fetal research is annotated in David Chamberlain's 1983 book *Consciousness at Birth: A Review of the Empirical Evidence* (available for \$8.00 from 5164 35th St., San Diego, Calif. 92116). It should be on Rogo's shopping list.

Rogo charges, "Lawson relies on misinformation and even misrepresents at least one classic abduction case Nowhere does he mention that before the abduction [Betty] Andreasson's father saw these same aliens hopping across the lawn outside the house." Let's look at the record:

The Andreasson case is one of the most interesting CE-III's on record because it has been more thoroughly (although still inadequately) investigated than the vast majority of abductions. It has been the subject of two books as well and has been discussed repeatedly in the literature. Its value to UFO proponents lay in part in the fact that both Betty's father and her daughter Becky supposedly independently witnessed parts of her adventure. Alas, in the 1978 preliminary paper which investigators prepared on the case, a far different picture emerges.

The Andreasson abduction allegedly occurred in early 1967 when Becky was 11 years old—10 years before the investigation and hypnosis sessions began. Moreover, one investigator's summation includes regrets that mother and daughter were never separated during the hypnosis or debriefing sessions, amazing as it seems. No wonder there were parallels in their testimony! Even so, there were important contradictions in Betty's and

Becky's accounts which were never resolved because the daughter—for whatever reasons—refused to undergo further hypnosis.

It is true that Betty's father Waino Aho apparently wrote out a statement but another of the investigators bemoaned, "Unfortunately, Waino's account was taken in Betty's presence but not verified by a member of the investigating team." And another researcher confessed, "Unfortunately [that word again!] we never interviewed Waino Aho in person prior to his death" because the father never wanted to get involved. He was 71 and near death from cancer when, a little more than a month before his final hospitalization, Betty got him to write a brief statement in support of part of her 10-year-old abduction tale. The investigators' language clearly acknowledges the frailty of the independent evidence for multiple-witness involvement. Do Rogo and other ufologists really believe that the Andreasson case methodology and proffered evidence are scientifically sound?

In attacking my methodology (as he has done over the past several years), Rogo comes on with the absolute assurance of a world-class expert on clinical techniques, saying "blind judging is the only test that could possibly substantiate" our imaginary abductions, and "no statistical test known to experimental science" could relate to my small samples. He is wrong on both counts. In fact, he shows an embarrassing confusion between the protocols of clinical data-gathering, hypothesizing and judging. Our imaginary abductee and caesarean studies were actually data-gathering experiments which, over a long time period and along with other research, led to the birth-trauma hypothesis. To form an inductive hypothesis you don't need a high number of samples. How many small, hard, green, sour apples must you bite into before you can hypothesize that the next small, hard, green apple will be sour? You can do it with as few as two samples, despite Rogo's arrogant denial.

Also Rogo acts as if blind judging were some magic touchstone for arriving at the truth. In reality it is simply one of many available methods and one which is unusable in vast areas of mathematical and observational studies. It is also notable that Rogo's outraged concern for "proof" suddenly evaporates when he comes to my three-part

proposal for testing the BTH. He steadfastly refuses to consider it and attempts to ridicule it by frivolously offering a spurious test of his own.

Rogo ends with a lame avowal that cases disproving the BTH "do exist in the literature." He claims that Jerome Clark's "Ultimate Alien Encounter" case provides witnesses who described "complementary and corroborative events." But a look at Clark's article reveals some interesting facts which still again prove Rogo wrong: (1) There was a *five-year lapse* between the first investigation and the hypnosis sessions. No doubt Rogo is confident that the witnesses—husband and wife—never once discussed the case in all that time. (2) Clark states—incorrectly—that because posthypnotic amnesia was suggested to the pair, "there would be no possibility" of their influencing each other's stories. And (3) although Clark says that the husband's narrative "almost exactly complemented" the wife's (and what does that "almost" mean?), we are not given both narratives in the article. Rogo similarly endorses Budd Hopkins' book *Missing Time*, apparently ignoring the fact that several of Hopkins' "abductees" voluntarily described their "abductors" as resembling embryos or fetuses. In their uncritical gullibility and selective neglect of case data, Rogo, Clark and Hopkins give new meaning to the concept of "blind judging."

Let me ask now: Where in the UFO report literature are the abduction cases in which exactly identical narratives about the same CE-III event are presented by two or more percipients? I know of none. Those cases where corroboration does exist have always—like the Andreasson case—later proved to be the product of inadequate investigative care, witness prompting or both.

I find it unfortunately typical of the impoverished scientific status of ufology that Rogo and other professional UFO proponents have embraced the claims of pop-eyed enthusiasts whose investigative methods are rarely other than slipshod and whose CE-III case investigations have never produced a molecule of unambiguous physical or physiological evidence.

The BTH is unable to answer all of the "how come?" questions that Rogo and his fellow zealots can think up. But it might be able to resolve the central issue—i.e., the

origin of alleged UFO abductions. I repeat: The BTH is testable. If ufologists do not want to participate in a serious scientific mission, we have a right to ask whether they are afraid of what they might find—right under their noses!—*Alvin H. Lawson, Garden Grove, Calif.*

Budd Hopkins, UFO investigator and author of Missing Time, highly acclaimed by ufologists, takes on "dreary task":

It is a dreary task, I'm afraid, to have to deal yet again with Alvin Lawson's absurd "explanation" of UFO abduction reports.

Lawson constantly confuses superficial resemblance with causal connection. Thus, because some abductees describe their captors as looking "fetuslike" (in Lawson's interpretation), there must be a causal connection; the abductee must be remembering his own birth and disguising it as a UFO abduction!

Let's forget, for the time being, the mystery of how a newborn infant knows what he looked like as a partly formed fetus (the old mirror-and-light-in-the-womb trick). Let's also not ask why, since the abductee was presumably delivered as a full-term baby and not a half-formed fetus, he should have any "fetus imagery" in his "birth trauma recollections" in the first place. Let's only ask what kind of warped logic lies behind an account of a "birth recollection-UFO abduction" in which the baby—recalled as a full-grown adult—appears on the examination table surrounded by fetuses. What became of the doctors and nurses?

Lawson has asked UFO investigators to compare abductees' actual birth experiences with "relevant" details from their UFO accounts. He has said if there is no connection his theory should be discarded. I followed his suggestion and did my own survey in a number of cases. A woman who described being held by clamplike devices at one point in her abduction account (an obvious forceps delivery, right?) was the third of four children and was delivered so fast her mother barely made it to the hospital. No forceps. One abductee who was in fact a forceps delivery was *walked* into the UFO. No clamps. Lawson asks for "even one" caesarian baby whose abduction account includes head pain ("vaginal contraction pressure"). How about a number of normally

delivered people whose abduction accounts present *no* head pain? I have several cases that *lack* "vaginal contraction pressure." The so-called correlations just don't exist.

Perhaps Lawson's most ludicrous assertion is that abduction accounts, to be true, must contain no "birth imagery." And what is birth imagery, according to him? I quote: "chest straps, doors, beams of light, humming sounds, probing physical examinations, brightly-lit rooms, spiral stairways, backpacks, bubble headgear, windows" and so on. He challenges investigators to come up with an abduction account that contains by his standard no birth imagery—an obviously impossible task. At the 1981 CUFOS conference in Chicago, I asked him to make up an abduction account that had no birth imagery. He refused. Along with other conferees I took his refusal to be an admission that his theory could not be falsified; it was therefore not testable. If a theory can be made to explain everything, every possibility, it obviously explains nothing.

Lawson tries desperately to account for the amnesia—"missing time"—so frequently encountered in abduction reports and refers vaguely to a hormone that causes birth contractions in women. This hormone, he says, "causes amnesia in laboratory animals." (I had an amnesiac German shepherd once who told me he could not remember much of his puppyhood but I never believed him. Never trust a laboratory animal who tells you he's suffering from amnesia.)

I don't mean to "protest too much" over Lawson's theory because I know all too well how frustratingly endless the job of investigating the UFO phenomenon can be and how emotionally draining. Taken head on, abduction accounts are immensely unsettling so it is psychologically understandable to try to explain them away. I sympathize with Lawson's need to construct a big thick carpet to sweep them under.

The field of UFO investigation is rife with theoreticians out to prove something, *anything*—that the earth is hollow; that cracking rocks can induce elaborate, nearly identical narrative images; that UFOs are built by Nazis living in Antarctica; that nearly every UFO abduction account comes from an adult recalling the look of things at his

birth; or that the CIA is back of *everything*. If half the energy used to develop tenuous to downright crackbrained theories were spent investigating the UFO incidents reported to us and listening carefully to what the witnesses are saying, we might be closer to the truth than we now seem to be.

In all sincerity I invite Alvin Lawson to put theory aside and get back to data, back to investigating the temporary disappearances, the physical marks and wounds, the ground traces and independent witness descriptions that accompany UFO abduction accounts—and when the abductee describes a doorway, may he think of it as a doorway and not a cervix. We in the ufological community need Lawson back.—*Budd Hopkins, New York, N. Y.*

David Keilbarth, a FATE reader who characterizes himself as an "armchair investigator," takes particular interest in theories that examine the sociological and psychological situations of UFO witnesses and abductees. He finds the birth-trauma hypothesis "an important addition to UFO analysis":

The article "UFO Abductions or Birth Memories?" by Dr. Alvin H. Lawson is thought-provoking and possibly as important to the psychological aspect of UFOs as was the Status Inconsistency theory.* But certain points brought out in the article trouble me.

First I notice that Lawson seems to find birth imagery under every rock he turns over. An alien with a backpack is a birth image of a fetus with the placenta in place; cozy rooms become womblike rooms. He also shows that our literature is replete with examples of birth imagery. If an alien with a backpack is a birth image, is a college student carrying a backpack also one? And what could be more womblike than a house in which children grow up and then leave for lives of their own? It is not difficult to find examples of birth imagery in our everyday lives—examples like houses and backpacks that do exist and could not possibly be the products of overactive imaginations.

The point I'm trying to make is that if one

*The Status Inconsistency theory proposed that UFO witnesses tended to be persons with jobs beneath their capacities, a situation that releases an individual's creativity and imagination for interaction with the external world.

looks for birth images he will find them—even in the most innocent of situations. And if birth imagery can be found innocently in many situations, why can't it also exist just as innocently in an account of a UFO abduction?

My second point of contention concerns the author's "all or nothing" approach. Lawson gives the impression that reported abductions are either all legitimate or all simply birth revivifications. I see no reason why abduction reports couldn't have multiple origins.

For example, Lawson demonstrates at the beginning of the article how hypnotically

regressed subjects can make up believable abduction reports. If we concede that the more unusual an event is, the less a witness to that event is able to recall, isn't it possible that the unconscious of an actual abductee might, under hypnosis, "fill in the blanks," thereby giving us a report that is part fact and part fiction?

Although Lawson may be overly enthusiastic and understandably so concerning his birth-trauma hypothesis, I believe it is an important addition to ufologists' arsenal for UFO investigation and analysis and must certainly be investigated further.—David Keilbarth, Albuquerque, N. Mex.



JESUS LIVED IN CAPERNAUM

NOW THAT an ancient house of black basalt has been partially unearthed, some archaeologists contend that it's the house where Jesus once lived. In August 1983, Associated Press religion writer George Cornell reported that remains of the house and clues supporting the archaeologists' claims were discovered on the northeast shore of the Sea of Galilee at the site of First-Century Capernaum where, the New Testament claims, Jesus made his home during his ministry. Mark 2:1 reads, for example: "And when he entered into Capernaum after some days, it was noised that he was in the house."

Excavations by Franciscan archaeologists were described in an article in *Biblical Archaeological Review* by editor Hershel Shanks and biblical archaeologist James F. Strange of the University of South Florida. The two say "all signs" indicate this is the house where Jesus stayed.

As far as can be determined, Shanks and Strange report, the house was a relatively large but plain one-story, 75 by 100-foot structure with a rough floor of unevenly placed stones and a thatched roof of mixed mud and straw on beams. What led to the conclusion that Jesus lived here were the remains of an octagon-shaped church excavated directly above the house. In antiquity such octagonal churches marked spots of

special significance to early Christians.

"For example, the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem was built in an octagonal form by the Fourth Century A.D. Emperor Constantine, supposedly directly above the cave where Jesus was born," the authors note.

Beneath the octagonal church in Capernaum, archaeologists found a house built about 60 B.C. The authors say it "was probably St. Peter's house where Jesus stayed."

Part of the evidence is that something happened about the middle of the First Century A.D. that sets this house apart from others. The floor and walls were plastered—the only such plastering found in ancient Capernaum—and cooking pots, bowls and other kitchenware were replaced by lamps and storage jars.

"The activities associated with the building obviously changed," the authors comment, indicating that it was turned into a place where groups of people regularly gathered, a "house church."

The main indication that it might have been the house where Jesus stayed, however, is the octagonal church built above it about 300 years later.

"It is reasonable to assume that this octagonal church . . . was . . . built to memorialize Jesus' temporary residence in Capernaum," the authors say.

BLACK ROSES OF DEATH

The black-robed spirit brought flowers and a message of doom.

By Marie Bowman

A RECURRING dream I've had for nearly 20 years has made me almost afraid to go to sleep at night. It always occurs three months to the day before the death of a loved one.

I had the dream for the first time on the first of June 1963. A man—or spirit—dressed in a long flowing black robe and pointed hood appeared, carrying three long-stemmed black roses. He knocked on a door which was opened by a woman I thought to be my Aunt Lona David who lived in Norfolk, Va. He gave her the flowers and left.

I tried to forget the dream but it lingered in my mind—so I was alarmed some time later to receive word that Aunt Lona was in Norfolk Memorial Hospital. I feared that my dream meant she was going to die. I left my home in Greensboro, N.C., to go to visit her and found her completely paralyzed. I stayed at her bedside only a few minutes, said a silent prayer, kissed her and left. I never saw her alive again. She died on September 1, 1963.

My mother-in-law Kay Bowman had



Whenever figure in dark robe and pointed hood appears in author's dream, she knows a loved one will die in exactly three months. In her dreams form knocks on door of the person about to die.

learned in late 1977 that she had a tumor. After surgery the doctor told her that the tumor was malignant but he was sure it was all removed. Her worries were over unless the tumor reoccurred. When she came home from the hospital, everything was fine and our lives were normal again after months of frantic

worry. My fears returned on May 2, 1979, however, when I dreamed of the same hooded figure carrying three long-stemmed black roses. He knocked at her door and when she answered gave her the flowers. On August 2, 1979, she died.

My brother-in-law John Bowman had a heart attack in 1978 in Greensboro, N.C., and was taken to the hospital. He recuperated quickly and the doctor told him he could live out a full life if he would do a lot of walking and watch his diet. We visited him and his wife for family get-togethers and he seemed to be doing well.

Then I had the terrible dream again—on June 15, 1980. The figure in the black robe appeared again and knocked on a door and this time a man was given the roses. I tried hard to see the man's face but he was in shadow. I was afraid that he might have been my husband Carl who had only one lung and at the time of my dream was very ill with flu. My fears hung on until the three months had passed.

On that day, September 15, 1980, my brother-in-law went for a short walk. When he did not return, his wife went outside to look for him—and found him in the backyard, dead.

Years earlier, in 1953, my mother Bessie Bowman had terminal cancer and



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was given only three months to live. While she was in the hospital, I took her some long-stemmed dark-red roses and she turned away from them, saying, "Take them away. They remind me of blood and death."

I wonder if she had had the same dream of the pale-faced, black-robed man whose gift of roses presages death.



SWISS WIN SCIENCE RACE

ACCORDING to an Associated Press report, the country with the highest number of scientists and engineers in proportion to population is Switzerland, where 40 out of every 1000 citizens are engaged in those occupations. A United Nations survey showed the Soviet Union almost equaling Switzerland with 39.6 per thousand, although that figure includes students. Japan was the next highest with 35.3 and the United States ranked near the bottom of the list with only 11 engineers and scientists per 1000 citizens.

WHEEL OF FORTUNE

by Paul Steiner

Alfred Allan Lewis, in his book *The Evidence Never Lies*, reveals the case of a young hunter accused of criminally negligent homicide in the shotgun death of his companion. The man was set free when microscopic examination of the bullet proved that the fatal shot was an accidental ricochet from the dead man's own gun.

On his 74th birthday, Alex Novack of Belleville, N.J., won the grand prize in a newspaper contest—\$100,000 and a Cadillac Eldorado. It was the third time that Novack, a retired meat department manager, had won a substantial prize in a contest in the same newspaper.

Nobel prizewinner Isaac Bashevis Singer, when asked why he still writes in Yiddish although he has lived in the United States most of his adult life, replied: "I like to write ghost stories and nothing fits a ghost better than a dying language. The deader the language, the more alive the ghost."

In his book *At This Theatre*, Louis Botto writes about producer David Belasco's spirit which haunted the theater named for him: "He always dressed like a priest in a dark suit and clerical collar. Actors swear they always

saw him on opening nights in a box seat in the Belasco until *Oh! Calcutta!*, the nude musical, opened there. He hasn't been seen since. Maybe he was repelled by the nudity."

A visibly pregnant Amy Irving finished the movie *Heartbreak House* in time to act in Orson Welles' movie *The Cradle Will Rock*.

On the very day he was eligible to retire, Birmingham, Ala., Police Sergeant Albert Eugene Ballard was fatally shot while trying to apprehend a robbery suspect.

George Schubert, a factory owner in Providence, R.I., survived an explosion that nearly leveled his building but when he returned to the scene to assess the damage, part of the rubble fell on him. He was killed.

Anthony Sattilaro was scheduled to autograph copies of his book *Living Well Naturally* in a Philadelphia bookstore but had to cancel when he fell ill.

Tired of having to explain how his last name is pronounced, Fred Koch had it changed to Coke-Is-It, after an advertising slogan. Coca-Cola is suing.



Scientist-celebrity Carl Sagan's *Cosmos* television series, which attracted an audience of 140 million viewers, derided nonmaterialist concepts as "pseudoscientific."

A SCIENTIST'S VIEW OF THE UNIVERSE

Can science define the cosmos—or are there more things in heaven and earth than are dreamed of in Carl Sagan's philosophy?

By Richard Pybus

IN THE LAST two decades a wave of Unorthodox religious movements, therapeutic systems and transcendental philosophies has swept across the world. In the face of this, warning one's fellows against too freely indulging their gullibility would seem to be a laudable enough endeavor. But one expressing such a warning needs more than a personal conviction that all such trends are sheer humbug or a religious certainty that science can answer all questions.

However calm and civilized it may appear on the surface, the materialist/nonmaterialist conflict that flares up from time to time bears all the unmistakable hallmarks of a religious feud. The dispute is charged with the kind of rancor, known as *odium theologicum*, that exists between rival theologians. When not actually impossible, communication between the two factions is complicated by misunderstanding and bias.

Scientific spokesmen are often heard to deplore lay ignorance of science. Yet the intelligent layman who wants to follow scientific developments but who lacks the familiarity with or the time to wade through the professional jargon has no alternative but to read popularizations. These informal accounts of scientific enterprise are often written by professional scientists. While many popularizations are admirable, whether they are good, bad or indifferent, the layman may be excused if he mistakenly assumes the views expressed in them represent science.

Clearly, information on scientific matters relayed to the public in such

popular writing should conform to standards of integrity that at least passingly resemble those that professionals demand of one another. If anything, it is even more essential that it should do so, since the average layman is usually less practiced in subjecting whatever data he may be given to critical analysis; further, the opportunities for him to engage in debate or to question the sources of such data are practically nonexistent.

Because most scientists confine their interest and professional activity to the tangible, measurable, physical world, they are understandably wary of phenomena, concepts and theories that cannot be contained within such limits or subjected to repetitive testing under rigorous conditions. Such is the nature of science. It is unfortunate, however, when scientists step outside those bounds and attempt to apply materialist yardsticks to nonmaterialist concepts or phenomena. It is especially unfortunate when—as is too often the case—they are insufficiently informed about the object of their attention.

Since Darwin at least, there has arisen an assumption that science has proven the nonexistence of God. Of course science has done nothing of the sort; nor would any scientist worth his salt seriously claim that it had. Once the dust settled after the controversy that attended the publication of *The Origin of Species*, the only actual shift of circumstance was that none but the foolhardy would thereafter cling to the belief that the biblical account of the creation was historically factual. Today the issue of whether one believes in God or not remains as much a matter of faith as ever. It would be a grave disservice

to one's fellow men to persuade them otherwise or to imply that the physical sciences have, or ever will have, answers to such fundamental questions.

A case in point is Carl Sagan's *Cosmos* series, shown on television in a number of countries throughout the world awhile ago. Together with the book published simultaneously in 1980, Sagan's lavish enterprise provided a disturbingly insidious vehicle for the propagation of much personal opinion. One soon tired of Sagan's mannered delivery and of recurrent innuendoes about religious and nonmaterialist ideas in general—such gratuitous asides as, for example, his description of the distinction between mind and body; such a distinction is, he asserts, “a natural enough ideal in a slave society.” What unreflecting viewer would dare subscribe to an idea he has just heard equated with slavery? Presumably this is precisely the effect Sagan intended, but it simply won't wash with any viewer who is even half awake.

This theme is an old hobbyhorse of Sagan's. At the beginning of *The Dragons of Eden*, his popularized “speculations about the evolution of human intelligence,” he admits with uncharacteristic candor, “I have had little formal education in . . . the anatomy and physiology of the brain.” Barely two pages later, however, he pontificates, “. . . because there is not a shred of evidence to support it, I will not in these pages entertain any hypothesis on what used to be called the mind-body dualism, the idea that inhabiting the matter of the body is something made of quite different stuff, called mind.” Again, presumably the reader is so awestruck by the Olympian

tones of the Voice of Scientific Authority that he quite overlooks the otherwise obvious omission: that neither is there a jot of hard evidence to support the notion that something called mind is merely a function of the brain.

On the same page he writes, “A few students of the subject seem to have concluded that, because they have been unable to isolate and localize all higher brain functions, no future generation of neuro-anatomists will be able to . . .” “A few students of the subject” is surely a niggardly way to refer to a category of which a man of Wilder Penfield's caliber would seem to be a notable example. At least Penfield, an eminent brain surgeon, was refreshingly honest.

After considerable “formal education in the anatomy and physiology of the brain” and a lifetime spent exploring brains with electrode probes, he said he had never managed to stimulate anything but motor responses, occasional memories and so on; never once had he succeeded in triggering creativity, problem-solving or indeed any of the phenomena we like to think of as characteristic of “mind” and as distinguishing us from the lower animals. “One cannot,” he said, “assign to the mind a position in space. . . . It is clear that much is accomplished by automatic and reflex mechanisms. But what the mind does is different. It is not to be accounted for by any neural mechanism that I can discover.”

As a scientist, Penfield conceded, all he was entitled to say was that he had failed to find the mind. As an individual, he concluded that it was not to be found in the brain. Sagan, although he mentions Penfield selectively when it suits his purpose, is careful to

avoid giving further currency to so candid and arresting a statement; instead, by referring denigratingly to "a few students of the subject," he manages to imply that they are merely some fringe group of dissenters of no particular consequence. For good measure, he then goes on to conclude the paragraph with a gem of Sagan bravura: "Absence of evidence is not evidence of absence."

UNSCIENTIFIC as it is—although invariably sanctified as "skepticism"—biased animosity is Sagan's central theme. One may be forgiven for suspecting that the Sagans of the world have as their underlying purpose the utter annihilation of every unorthodox or nonscientific idea. And if the misguided proponents of such ideas cannot be redeemed and made to recant, then at least they must be brought to heel by ridiculing them into silence.

A few years ago Sagan joined the assault on Immanuel Velikovsky, whose unorthodox hypotheses about cataclysmic events and their effects on human history prompted a vicious campaign of persecution. Reputedly at least some of Velikovsky's theories have since been vindicated by space probes, as others are said to have been discredited. But the question of their validity shrinks in significance beside the grossly unethical response accorded their author. Although unlike Velikovsky's earlier antagonists Sagan actually read the books in question and prudently dissociated himself from the tactics of the earlier attackers, nonetheless he has been energetic in pursuing their aims.

Although he may indeed have read Velikovsky enough to put up some kind



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of case, Sagan is not always so thorough in his preparations. In the *Cosmos* book he devotes about five pages of text to irrelevant sneers at astrology, citing for example the patent incompatibility of various newspaper "horoscopes" as evidence of the pseudoscientific nature of astrology as a whole. I carry no brief for astrology. I have no personal experience of the influence of heavenly bodies on earthly creatures—apart from having read an impressive account of mollusks which, after being moved 1000

miles inland from the New England coast, readjusted their daily rhythm to accord with the new relationship between the moon's position and their own altered location in laboratory tanks unaffected by the ebb and flow of ocean tides.

Nor, knowing my ignorance of the subject, do I feel qualified to condemn astrology out of hand. Under the circumstances, "I simply don't know" would appear to be as fair—and as scientific—a statement as one could make. For his part, however, Sagan knows no such restraint; indeed, the extent of his concern with things he wishes to dismiss as pseudoscience is bewildering.

It is curious that men will observe the most stringent professional discipline while engaged in their own particular area of inquiry and yet permit themselves to utter ill-considered nonsense and express unqualified prejudices when making public statements of a general nature. Unfortunately, especially when they are scientists, their pronouncements risk being taken seriously. Because this danger is magnified when prejudice is disseminated as beguilingly as it was through the *Cosmos* series, viewers must be on their guard, lest inadvertently they swallow the pill with the sugar.

Fortunately, the danger of this happening tends to be offset by the sound common sense of the layman whose memory may not be so short as the scientist-polemicists might hope. Thus if he reads in the book *Cosmos* that "there may well be in the universe a proliferation of living things and intelligent beings and spacefaring civilizations," he may remember that,

scarcely more than a decade or two ago, similar "spokesmen" scoffed at the very notion of extraterrestrial intelligence—a notion many of their lay contemporaries saw no reason to reject summarily. Then the layman, while he may be heartened by this indication that science is making progress, may well begin to wonder at the smug certainties of its spokesmen.

For instance, Sagan writes, "There was once a time before life, when Earth was barren and desolate." This statement has barely succeeded in conjuring up in the reader's mind (wherever *that* is) an image of inert wasteland when he is confronted, six pages farther on, with this: "Life had arisen almost immediately after the origin of the Earth, which suggests that life may be an inevitable chemical process on an Earth-like planet." Quite understandably our layman may wonder what has happened to the much-vaunted scientific consistency.

Then, when Sagan informs him that the Normans regarded the appearance of Halley's comet as a portent favorable to their invasion of England, he may remember his reading of history which made plain that we know all too little of events leading up to the Conquest and nothing at all of what the Normans *thought*. He may wonder if this statement, based on the depiction of the comet on the Bayeux Tapestry (commissioned and executed well after the event, thus at best hindsight), is not just the kind of idle speculation and wishful thinking that scientists are wont to complain of in laymen.

Should the layman continue to find himself brought up short by the irrelevant, the dubious, the self-contradictory—above all, the unscien-

tific—opinion of authors with axes to grind, authors at best irresponsible, at worst deliberately insidious, authors whose unprofessional carelessness not only goes uncorrected by their colleagues but is even applauded, then it is not to be wondered at if our layman loses his respect for science as a whole.

In some, if not all, non-English-speaking countries where *Cosmos* was distributed, even these translations of the book went on sale at the same time the television series was showing—in contrast, for instance, to the book *The Ascent of Man* from the Bronowski series some years ago, of which translations have only recently begun to appear. In view of the immense resources needed to achieve this feat of organization and to bring *Cosmos* into the living rooms of the 140 million viewers mentioned in the introduction to the book, the question arises of whose errands, apart from his own, Sagan may be running. Unlike less pretentious but more interesting shows such as that by Richard Leakey, *Cosmos* is so flashily superficial that the only substantial feature remaining to commend it to backers would seem to be Sagan's jaundiced polemics.

Whatever ulterior motives may or may not have been involved, phenomena like *Cosmos*, *Broca's Brain*, *The Dragons of Eden* and other Sagan books probably do more harm than good to the reputation of science among the laity. Indeed, the last to be permanently injured are perhaps those who represent Sagan's principal targets. Encountering someone who "doth protest too much," as doth Sagan on religion, the mind, astrology, Velikovsky and other matters, some readers

may wonder what all the carping is about and go on to investigate them.

When our would-be guardians, whether they be genuine scientific spokesmen or merely self-appointed scourges of the unorthodox, wish to protect us from ourselves, they usually position themselves as torchbearers of Enlightenment traditions. Thus they need not look far beyond their ivory towers for the origins of the widespread current interest in "pseudoscience" that they so abhor. Partly, of course, it is a reflection of an intuitive (and quite healthy) reaction against certain aspects of contemporary life—in some countries, for instance, cryptototalitarian adventures in utopian social engineering and the exclusively materialistic notions (utterly divorced from the realities of human needs) upon which such undertakings are based. Much of it, however, is just another wave of the superstition that floods in to fill the vacuum created by the philosophers of the Enlightenment themselves, when they insisted on the nonexistence of God and, by extension, of spiritual phenomena and values in general.

If indeed something needs to be done about this, one could hardly do worse than label all "nonscience" as "pseudoscience" or—in individual cases—produce specious analysis that won't stand the acid tests of time or common sense. Relentless bias and animosity are self-defeating in the long run and as often as not they turn out to be remarkably effective advertisements for the very things they were intended to destroy. The irony of this is almost enough in itself to persuade one that God indeed "moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform."

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MAKING SENSE OF PSI

PARAPSYCHOLOGY has had to adopt several guises over the years in its effort to win scientific recognition. In the 1930's, for instance, it began borrowing its basic methodology from experimental psychology. Lately parapsychology has sought to ally itself with physics, particularly with the concepts of quantum physics. The realm of subatomic particles is a strange, upside-down world in which concepts such as time, physical location and causality all break down. Parapsychology has found itself comfortable within this world, but whether this is because the field is becoming more sophisticated or just more desperate is still unclear.

Parapsychologists were first drawn toward physics when, in his *The Roots of Coincidence* (1972), noted author Arthur Koestler eloquently outlined the parallels between parapsychology and quantum physics. The book became popular because it dealt with these congruencies in readable, easy-to-understand fashion. The field's rapprochement with new trends in science was given further impetus when two physicists, Helmut Schmidt and Evan Harris Walker, suggested that models widely used in contemporary physics could be applied to parapsychology's data. Schmidt's contributions were primarily experimental. Walker proposed testable hypotheses based on quantum theory; subsequent laboratory experiments seemed to bear them out.

But only a few books on parapsychology and the "new physics" have appeared since Koestler's celebrated volume. While several science writers (such as Fritjof Capra, author of *The Tao of Physics* [1975]) have discussed

the relationship of the new physics to the study of consciousness, they usually shy away from the dangerous subject of parapsychology. The one notable exception has been Lawrence LeShan, a prominent New York psychologist, cancer specialist and psychic healer. As early as 1974, in his *The Medium, the Mystic, and the Physicist*, he was arguing that the world view of physics was the same as that suggested by mysticism and parapsychology. In 1982, with physicist Henry Margenau, he wrote *Einstein's Universe and Van Gogh's Sky*, an examination of the various models of reality suggested by current science.

Dr. LeShan's newest book, *From Newton to ESP* (Turnstone Press, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, England, 1984, 208 pages, \$9.95, paperback), again addresses the integration of parapsychology with science. He says that psi seems strange to us because we have used outmoded and invalid tools and concepts to study it. Psychic experiences occur solely within the realms of consciousness, he argues, not in the world of sensory experience—the very world that conventional science attempted to study before the quantum revolution in physics. The rules that govern consciousness and its realm are radically different from those that we perceive regulating the physical world around us, which is the reason experimental laboratory research on ESP is bound to fail. He insists that we will understand psychic phenomena only when we start thinking about them in new ways.

In LeShan's view psi can make sense to us if we stop thinking that our culturally-ingrained concept of "consensus reality" is a perfect and exclusive view of the world.

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There are many ways to interpret reality, he says, and psi events are feasible in some of these. It isn't that ESP is in any sense strange; it's just that we simply perceive the world in too limited a fashion to recognize psi's naturalness.

While in many ways a challenging book, *From Newton to ESP* is less than a complete success. In the one chapter that seeks to tie his speculations to empirical evidence, LeShan cites evidence that psychic healing tends to occur when the healer releases his patient by altering self-consciousness. This conclusion, although based on LeShan's considerable research, is unconvincing. The few anecdotal cases he presents are meaningless and he gives no hard data to back up his sometimes sensational claims.

Whatever the ultimate value of LeShan's theories, for now one thing is certain: parapsychology needs a workable general theory to help make sense of its confusing and contradictory findings. Parapsychology's problems in this regard are apparent to any reader of the series *Advances in Parapsychological Research*, edited by Stanley Krippner of the Saybrook Institute in San Francisco.

The first two volumes in the series, begun in 1977, covered the current status of research on ESP and PK respectively, while a third (published in 1982) updated this research and covered the survival problem. The fourth volume, appropriately titled *Advances in Parapsychological Research, Volume 4* (McFarland & Co., Box 611, Jefferson, N.C. 28640, 1984, 254 pages, \$29.95), covers research on psychic healing, PK, psi and mental imagery, and the effects of Ganzfeld stimulation.

Reading these chapters, one sees how few consistent findings have emerged from experimental parapsychology. For example, Jerry Solvvin of John F. Kennedy University writes, in an excellent chapter on healing, that a "psychic" healing effect apparently exists but we know virtually nothing about it. In fact, he demonstrates that volunteer subjects seem to be just as good at "psychic healing" as famous healers of "proven" abilities.

The only ray of light in the book is in Rex Stanford's chapter on the Ganzfeld technique—a sensory-isolation procedure during which ESP subjects receive undifferentiated visual and auditory stimuli to help them generate mental imagery. Dr.

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Stanford writes that repeated replications of the effect in various laboratories establish that the Ganzfeld is indeed a psi-conductive state; parapsychologists have no idea, however, about what aspects of the Ganzfeld make it so.

But before making too much of even this limited finding, the reader should turn to the unsettling chapter by Charles Akers. Akers, who once worked in J. B. Rhine's Durham, N.C., laboratory, critically reviews 42 successful parapsychology experiments, concluding that 85 percent of them can be rejected for either methodological or reporting flaws. While I disagree with some of Akers' evaluations, I think his survey demonstrates convincingly that research in parapsychology is not nearly so perfect as its partisans would like the scientific establishment to believe.

Yet, despite all its problems, parapsychology is beginning to make its mark on science. Consider, for example, the number of new science and psychology books that treat parapsychology openly and sometimes even enthusiastically. Robert O. Becker, writing with Gary Seldon, nonchalantly discusses the existence of psi in his autobiographical *The Body Electric* (William Morrow and Co., New York, N.Y., 1985, 364 pages, \$17.95). Dr. Becker, who is a pioneering researcher on the electrical properties of the body, speculates for six pages on how these capabilities might explain psychic phenomena. While he acknowledges that there is scant evidence that psi is electromagnetic in nature, he goes on to suggest that some sort of "biofield" might eventually be found at its source.

Similarly, maverick psychiatrist Andrew Weil devotes a chapter to psychic healing in his *Health and Healing* (Houghton-Mifflin, Boston, Mass., 1985, 296 pages, \$7.95, paperback). This well-written, entertaining book tries to draw a middle path between the dogmas of conventional medicine and the excesses of holistic-health practices. Dr. Weil states frankly that psychic healing deserves a hearing and he seems impressed by the literature on Edgar Cayce and Jose Arigo, the late Brazilian psychic surgeon.

Probably the most surprising of these books is *The Nightmare* (Basic Books, New York, N.Y., 1984, 294 pages, \$18.95) by Ernest Hartman, a Tufts University psy-

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chiatrist. The book reports on a survey of persons who describe nightmares they have had. Half of those interviewed also reported psychic experiences, which contrasted markedly with those informants who reported only normal dreaming patterns. Dr. Hartman proposes two theories to account for the curious relationship between nightmares and psychic experiences. Either the persons who report both are not concerned with the boundaries of reality, he suggests, or nightmare sufferers really *are* more psychic than most persons.

Twenty years ago I doubt that researchers such as Drs. Weil, Becker and Hartman would have dared to utter such heresies.

OTHER REVIEWS

THE EVIDENCE FOR PHANTOM HITCHHIKERS by Michael Goss, The Aquarian Press, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire, England, 1984, 160 pages, \$5.95, paperback.

In my opinion Michael Goss (who is a frequent contributor to FATE) is one of the finest writers on the paranormal to come

along in recent years: a thoughtful, knowledgeable fellow of good sense and keen insight. His virtues are much in evidence in his second book (the first was a bibliography of writings on the poltergeist), inelegantly titled *The Evidence for Phantom Hitchhikers*.

The title is due to the book's being one of a series sponsored by Britain's Association for the Scientific Study of Anomalous Phenomena (ASSAP). Other "Evidence for" books have dealt with UFOs, alien abductions, Bigfoot, the Bermuda Triangle and visions of the Virgin Mary. Although the term "Evidence for" implies advocacy of the various subjects, this has not always been the case; some of the books, after reviewing the "evidence," have found it wanting and come to skeptical conclusions. Goss' book is one of these, although it is far more than just another debunking exercise.

To most of us it would seem self-evident that stories of ghostly hitchhikers, of the kind attributed to somebody your neighbor's cousin's friend once met, are simply creations of folk imagination. In reality things are not so simple. As Goss shows, not all such

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accounts come from anonymous, impossible-to-find informants; in some cases individuals whose names are known—and who seem to be sane and sincere—claim as personal experiences encounters with phantom hitchhikers.

Such firsthand accounts are rare but their counterparts in other areas of supernatural belief (fairies and monsters, for example) have long troubled academic folklorists who have not known what to make of them. Goss' subject, then, is how a folk belief can sometimes become a personal "experience." A less sophisticated writer would argue, from the testimony of supposed percipients, that there really are phantom hitchhikers. But Goss argues that the phantoms figuring in these tales are not like the apparitions documented by psychical research; hitchhiking ghosts are the ghosts of fiction, fantasy and folklore—in other words, not at all like the traditional descriptions accepted by psychical researchers.

After reviewing the worldwide lore, then zeroing in on a number of firsthand accounts (some of which he has personally investigated), he proposes an ingenious psychological explanation which links the "idea pattern" of a popular belief with hallucinatory experiences based on the motif. He writes that "the motif may be available under rare, altered-sensory-state conditions to individuals whose encounters, which have for them all the characteristics of reality, actually reinforce belief in the old image . . . Far from being an ossified lump, folklore is providing us . . . with the material for experiences which perpetuate the old traditions and motifs. It only takes a chance combination of conditions for these semiarchetypes to emerge, proving to us their living potency."

The Evidence for Phantom Hitch-hikers, a gem of a book, is the best yet in the ASSAP series. Let's hope that Goss has a long, productive career as a writer on the paranormal.—*Jerome Clark*.

THE WORLD IN BETWEEN by Emmanuel Milingo, Orbis Books, Maryknoll, N.Y., 1984, 138 pages, \$5.95, paperback.

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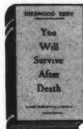
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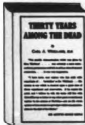
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In July 1973 he addressed his priests. The Church has the means of curing *mashabe*, he said and declared he would start public healing services. Two days later he felt the healing power flowing through his hands. Word spread quickly and crowds flocked to his meetings.

But not everyone appreciated the archbishop's new ministry. For years missionaries, Protestant and Catholic alike, had tried to wean the Africans from their traditional faith and practices. Milingo's priests protested to Rome, accusing their archbishop of practicing witchcraft. Without so much as an informal inquiry Rome ordered him to stop. He did so for a while but soon responded to popular demands for his services. A lengthy controversy ensued and in 1982 he was summoned to Rome, forced to resign his see and assigned a position with the Pontifical Commission on Migration, Refugees and Tourism.

The popular movement that grew around Milingo was spread in part by several booklets he wrote describing his experiences and calling on his priests to go on the offensive against evil spirits. *The World In Between* contains all of his important writings from this explosive period. Mona Macmillan, the editor, has added an informative intro-

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THE ARCHETYPE EXPERIENCE by Gregory L. Little, Rainbow Books, Box 1069, Moore Haven, Fla. 33471, 1984, 204 pages, \$12.50, paperback.

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Terry Clifford's *Tibetan Buddhist Medicine and Psychiatry* comes as a welcome surprise. Unlike so many works on the East, which tend to quote or cross-reference each other, Clifford's book breaks new ground in our understanding of how Tibetan Buddhists have practiced medicine. Her work is basically a scholarly overview of the history of Tibetan healing, with special emphasis on Buddhist psychiatry.

What emerges from Clifford's elaborate study (undertaken as part of a doctoral program in psychology and religious studies) is the glaring fact that much of medical practice, including our westernized technological version, is as much a cultural artifact as our social habits, hairstyles and clothing. Indeed, in our own hemisphere practices depicted as "scientific" or "hygienic" in many cases turn out to be religiously-based; an obvious example is circumcision. Thus it is foolish to dismiss foreign methods of healing as "primitive," simply because their approaches to the body and its functions are different from the American Medical Association's.

Unlike modern science, which tends to view disease as an enemy to be fought, Tibetan medicine sees illness as an opportunity wherein the patient can realize his fundamental relationship with life. The real culprit in Buddhism is not a germ, a cancer or physical pain but the false presumption of an independent ego or self. True medical practice therefore involves not only bodily cures but mental and spiritual remedies as well.

In the most valuable section of her book Clifford examines demons and their influences. She includes a translation of three chapters from the *Gyu-zhi* (possibly the oldest written and complete tradition of medical psychiatry in the world). The parallels between the ancient Tibetan work and Carl Jung's are readily apparent, albeit in different language and form.

I highly recommend Clifford's book. Besides being a much-needed study of Tibetan medicine, it also serves as an excellent introduction to Mahayana and Vajrayana Buddhism.—David Christopher Lane.

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IN DEFENSE OF "CHAMP"

Jerome Clark's review of *Champ—Beyond the Legend* (February 1985 FATE) walks a tightrope between its appreciation of author-researcher Joseph Zarzynski and its dismissal of Zarzynski's book as "a real disappointment." As this review regrettably may steer away FATE readers who are interested in cryptozoology in general and the matter of lake monsters in particular, I must address what I feel is Clark's implicit but undeserved criticism.

Clark seems to be comparing Zarzynski's book on "Champ" to some of the best on the Loch Ness Monster (such as the classic references by Rupert Gould, Constance Whyte, Tim Dinsdale and Roy Mackal) when he holds that *Champ—Beyond the Legend* is a "scrapbook . . . [with] little that is original, revealing or insightful to say about anything." As Clark does not make any such direct comparison, it is crucial to understand that research at Lake Champlain is in its infancy compared to that at Loch Ness (an irony, considering that the so-called Champlain sea serpent was briefly publicized in the 1870's and 1880's while the "monster" of Loch Ness was not widely known until the 1930's). Any book on "Champ" must necessarily lack the sheer volume of eyewitness accounts, photographic evidence, sonar records, etc., that bulk up the standard references on "Nessie." Zarzynski's book may seem lightweight by comparison, especially to a reviewer well acquainted with the Loch Ness literature.

To illustrate, there have been an estimated 3000 eyewitness accounts recorded at Loch Ness but only some 300 at Lake Champlain. Zarzynski lists 234 of these. Some 11 still photos and at least two movie sequences may well show a Loch Ness animal (not counting numerous other indistinct or doubtful examples) while Zarzynski has personally examined only four still photos and one movie sequence said to be of the Lake Champlain animal. While there have been numerous serious expeditions, surveillance operations, sonar experiments and documentary crews at Loch Ness over the past half-century, some research groups having worked a decade of seasons, only three groups I know of have done stints of research at Lake Champlain which lasted more than a week. These include Zarzynski's own investigation group, of course, and my effort to deploy underwater video in the summer of 1984.

Zarzynski's book could have been improved, perhaps, by a section discussing all the available photographic evidence, not just the Sandra Mansi photo. Having seen most of this evidence myself, however, I think only one other still photo is important and even that is of poor quality compared to Mansi's. I must also reject Clark's suggestion that Zarzynski ought to have spent more time ferreting out information now lying in dusty archives. Although such information deserves to be uncovered, the time-consuming effort might have resulted in only a few more accounts similar to what we currently have.

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The sections devoted to cryptozoology in general might understandably bore a knowledgeable reviewer like Clark but I think they are necessary to orient and educate average readers. What's more—and I doubt that Clark would disagree with this—the information in *Champ—Beyond the Legend* is accurate. And as Zarzynski's book contains virtually everything we know about the Champlain matter and was written by the expert who knows it best, this is an essential book for anyone interested in the fascinating mystery of large unidentified animals in deep freshwater lakes.—Richard D. Smith, Rocky Hill, N.J.

HAVE THEY MOVED?

In "I See by the Papers" (April 1985 FATE) Curtis Fuller has an item titled "Meet Charlie" about an incident in Lovington, Tex., and another, "Mixed-Up Rebecca," in Cloudcroft, Tex. Both Lovington and Cloudcroft were in New Mexico for the 20 years between 1953 and 1973 when I lived in Lubbock, Tex., and traveled often in New Mexico. Have they moved?—Lois Cusworth, Boerne, Tex.

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On the bottom level of the big circular tank (80 feet in diameter), four eight-inch pipes,



Jake Jacobs, here feeding a sawfish, writes that his 22 years as a Marineland diver have made him aware of ESP in fish, whales and dolphins. He writes, "There are no dumb creatures; each one is a specialist in its own environment."

two on each side, aimed counterclockwise created a whirlpool so strong that everything loose swooped around in a spiral before reaching the drain in the center. A square cage-like structure kept divers and animals from being sucked down the drain.

Early Friday morning, August 11, 1961, I was making my daily rounds inspecting windows when I noticed a round globe dropping out of one of the pipes. It seemed to float lazily, almost touching the floor of the tank. When it had traveled the 40 feet to the drain it moved upward, then went through the grill and down the drain. Just about the time the first ball disappeared, another came through the same pipe, dropped to the bottom and skimmed along exactly like the other one had, then went through the cage and was gone.

These globes, about 16 inches in diameter, were unaffected by the whirlpool. My first thought was that the engineer had the pumps shut down, because that whirlpool was irresistible. I went up to the control tower and found the engineer half asleep. I could see the water pouring into the filter beds so I knew the pumps were on.

To this day I wonder what I saw.—*Jake Jacobs, Jasper, Ark.*

TOO HOT TO HANDLE

It is far easier for writers to create mysterious events than it is to unravel them long afterward. Joe Nickell and John F. Fischer ("Reeser's Spontaneous Human Combustion" Reconsidered," April 1985 FATE) are thus to be commended for their efforts to strike spontaneous human combustion (SHC), or at least the Reeser case, from the list of mysteries.

Unfortunately, they failed. Most of the explanations they offered have been offered before and dismissed as inadequate. In fact, most of their "explanations" were considered, and rejected, in Mary Fuller's account published shortly after the event. (See "Another Mysterious Cremation," November-December 1951 FATE.)

Nickell and Fischer have said little more than that a body will burn under certain circumstances. This is hardly news—operators of crematoria make a business of it. And these worthies will no doubt be delighted to learn that the "candle effect"



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An issue often raised, and Nickell and Fischer raise it, concerns the temperature needed to reduce a body and its bones to ashes. The principal authorities here, the operators of crematoria, insist that it requires a temperature of several thousand degrees. Are they in error and foolishly wasting fuel? This is a red herring, anyway. Whatever the temperature, and it may vary from case to case, it is nonetheless sufficiently high to cause a general conflagration. And here we confront one of the many genuine problems of SHC: inflammable materials near its victims, even in contact with them, may remain unburned. Nickell and Fischer provide no explanation for this other than to mention the well-known tendency for fire to spread upward more swiftly than outward. They provide evidence for this strange characteristic of SHC, perhaps unwittingly, in discussing an adventitious 19th-Century case in which a hempen mat became so impregnated with dripping fat that it burned like a torch when ignited. Well, then, why didn't it burn in the first place?

These authors also suggest that the remaining foot in the Reeser case is easily explained by the burning-log effect—an end may be undamaged. But they must be aware that in other cases only extremities and not the trunk have been burned. In the case of Mrs. Satlow in 1973, her body was completely consumed to the hips as she lay dead in a coffin with the lid screwed down. One of the few things we can say for sure about SHC is that it's capricious. Each case more or less conforms to the pattern but generally with its own special and often weird twist.

One of the individual twists in the Reeser case was the alleged shrinking of the skull. Nickell and Fischer wrote that this "probably never happened." Why "probably"? That information presumably came from the coroner, a physician dealing firsthand with the evidence. And Dr. Wilton Krogman of the University of Pennsylvania, an expert on the effects of fire on the human body, was dumbfounded by the shrunken skull. Did he accept such an incredible event on hearsay?

The shrinking of the skull is unique in the literature (and therefore annoying to everybody) and the authors could have performed a valuable service by proving that it didn't happen. They certainly didn't prove it by citing the "speculations" of an anthropologist who had not investigated the case. Nor did they prove it by dismissing Krogman as "a self-described 'bone detective'" when in fact he is usually cited as an authority. If Krogman was a fraud, which Nickell and Fischer imply, they could have performed another service by exposing him. (Krogman, incidentally, rejected SHC, possibly because he was unaware that there are many cases besides Reeser's. He was convinced that she was burned elsewhere.)

It may be that SHC will someday be reduced to chemistry—although we may remain skeptical until the fire poltergeist submits to a similar explanation; the two phenomena share certain bizarre features. Still, if ordinary chemistry—or ordinary *anything*—is the culprit in SHC, Nickell and Fischer haven't demonstrated it. Their article as it stands leaves spontaneous cremation as mysterious as ever.—*J. Finley Hurley, New York, N.Y.*

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What authors Nickell and Fischer wrote was fine as far as it went. But they said not one word about the man who got so angry at his neighbor that he burned up right on the street. Although his clothes did not burn, no one could touch him. He was too hot to handle.

The man had not set himself on fire. He was just terribly angry and authorities used his case to demonstrate how strong emotional emanations can be. His anger caused him to burn to death right before witnesses' eyes.—*Margaret Jenkins, Seattle, Wash.*

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After reading about Reeser's spontaneous combustion, I happened to visit my mother. While I was with her she had chest pains and slipped a nitroglycerin tablet under her tongue.

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One case I recall (but do not have a news clipping) happened to a passenger in a moving automobile in the 1970's in Florida. Passenger and driver were women in the military. The victim was taken to a hospital where she survived.

Another case (and I do have the clipping on this one) happened on a Chicago street and was reported in the *Seattle Times* for August 6, 1982. A witness told police that he noticed a woman crossing the street and when he happened to glance back she was aflame. She fell on the street never to move again. Bomb and arson investigators could give no explanation. The woman and her clothes were burned beyond recognition. Does anyone know if she was ever identified?

In 1973 a baby in his carriage in the family living room in England burst into flames. In 1976 six members of a seven-member Nigerian family burned in a room which appeared untouched by the flames. In 1966 an elderly retired physician was found in a heap of ashes although one leg from his knee down survived. In 1964 an elderly retired actress in Dallas was seen to burst into flames while sitting in her car. To everyone's amazement the automobile was undamaged. In the 1950's a young disco dancer in London suddenly ignited. No fire, candles or cigarettes were nearby to account for this. Her boyfriend told authorities, "The flames burst outwards, as if they originated from within her body."

Given the number of people in modern times who have burst into flames and lived to tell about it, and given the number of victims who've been observed to explode into flames without benefit of ignition, Mary Reeser's remains ("slipped foot and heap of ashes") are typical.

I think that SHC is not understandable or explainable in the present state of the natural sciences, given the mind-set of scientists who deal only in that which can be measured and weighed.—*Ruth R. Ingall, Seattle, Wash.*

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As funds become available we plan to conduct some meaningful scientific research into spiritual healing. We can best honor the magnificent contribution these two enlightened persons made to humanity by furthering their work through additional specific research related to spiritual healing.

To help build an adequate laboratory and research facility will cost at least two million dollars. Any contributions to this work will be gratefully received.—*Dr. C. Norman Shealy, Holos Institutes of Health, Inc., 3525 S. National, Suite 207, Medical South, Springfield, Mo. 65807.*

DISASSOCIATION

After reading Jerome Clark's review of *Sky Crash* (April 1985 FATE) I hasten to let readers know that virtually all of the book's references to my "involvement" in the Rendlesham case are false. I did not interview any former air force member and authors Dot Street and Brenda Butler were never given any information that would have allowed them to draw such a conclusion. I can only conclude that this scenario originated in the fertile imagination of Jenny Randles.

For the record, my only link to the case was this: In late January 1981 a subscriber to my publication UFONS (UFO Newsclipping Service) sent me a portion of a letter one of his friends had received. The writer of the letter was the wife of someone stationed at Woodbridge and she mentioned the rumors then making the rounds on the base (landed UFO, possible alien beings, etc.). As this was the first I had heard of the incident, I wrote a postcard to British ufologist Norman Oliver, giving him the gist of the rumor and asking if he had more details. I was later contacted by Brenda Butler and Dot Street but had no information to give them.

Considering the inaccuracies in the book concerning the events I know about, I have to wonder about the accuracy of those

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portions of the book I don't know about.—
Lucius Farish, Plumerville, Ark.

ANCIENT ENERGY CRISIS

I have a thought as to why Hero of Alexandria had no success in interesting people in his invention, the steam engine ("I See by the Papers," April 1985 FATE).

The classical world had an energy crisis—lack of wood for fuel—and nowhere was it more acute than in Egypt. Wood had to be imported and by Hero's time deforestation was a serious problem in Lebanon, Greece and Asia Minor. The steam engine, which required such expensive fuel, could not compete economically with human and animal labor.

When the steam engine was reinvented in the 18th Century, it was first used for such things as pumping out coal mines where the fuel lay all around.—*John T. Harlee, Florence, S.C.*

IN-DEPTH LOOK AT TERLINGUA

Cecil D. Clayton's comments ("Report from the Readers," April 1985 FATE) concerning the ghost town of Terlingua Abaja mentioned in my article "The Ghost of Bruja Canyon" (January 1985 FATE) pertain to the better-known Terlingua. It is situated a mile or so west of Terlingua Creek about 10 miles due north of the place where the creek empties into the Rio Grande. Terlingua was a mining town and a number of mercury mining operations were located in a four- by 14-mile area around the town itself. Only half a dozen, though, were responsible for most of the 150,000 flasks of mercury hauled out of the area between 1896 and 1905. The mercury was steamed out of the native cinnabar and each flask contained three quarts or 76 pounds. Abandoned to a great extent before World War II, Terlingua now has an extremely small population. It is a Texas State Historical Site, the place where thousands gather each year for the World Championship Chili Cookoff. Its cemetery is still being used by the inhabitants of the surrounding countryside.

Terlingua Abaja is not the same town. Abaja is situated on Terlingua Creek about one mile north of where the creek empties into the Rio Grande. It was not a mining town although it lay roughly between Terlingua to the northwest and the Mariscal

Mine to the southeast. Abaja was a farming community but agriculture played out about the same time the mines did. Deforestation and poor agricultural techniques rapidly gave the land to the desert.

If Clayton thinks the buildings at Terlingua were in bad shape, he ought to see those at Terlingua Abaja. Untended adobe doesn't last long even in a dry climate.

One final note: After much discussion, my friend Charlie Roberts and I have come to the conclusion that "the ghost of Bruja Canyon" (which we encountered in 1976, not 1978 as stated in the article) was probably an elemental (spirit) which dwelt around the water source. We believe it merely took a form it was familiar with and one that we could understand—that of a Mexican peasant.—*Christopher Dow, Houston, Tex.*

WHAT THE ASTRONAUT SAID

I have been sitting here on the 50-yard line watching with amusement the pro and con "moon game" being played in "Report from the Readers." We must not forget that the American form of government allows each of us to state his own beliefs, but I can no longer watch without bringing the Apollo 2 moon landing to the attention of both teams.

Let us go back to that giant step as we saw it live on television. Yes, it was live after it was strained through NASA's censorship sieve. Remember the word "garbled" flashed on the screen? Part of what was "garbled" were these words: "Boy! You ought to see the installations up here!"—*Donald Feyhl, Sheridan, Wyo.*

STRANGE STORAGE SPACE

"Florida's Phantom Volcano" (April 1985 FATE) matches in appearance the Lord as His presence is described in Exodus 13:21-22:

"And the Lord went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

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How to Make It Work For You

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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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