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IN THE ABOVE PHOTO, an Englishman is holding a small mysterious saucer which fell to earth on an English moor last December. See story on Page 17 for details. (Photo courtesy of Bryan Essenhigh.)

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Comment on Dr. Davidson's Article in the February-March Issue
(See also the article beginning on Page 4 of this issue.)

This letter is a supplement to my article about the John Otto-Mil-dred Maier "message from Space" (SAUCER NEWS, Feb.-March 1958, P. 7.) I quote below from letters I received from Miss Maier and Mr. Otto, too late for inclusion in the article.

Miss Maier wrote me on Dec. 29, 1957, as follows:

".....In all fairness to us, we feel you might state that changing the bands on our radio makes a great deal of noise. The sound would be recorded on the tape.....Another correction is that Otto did not try to sell us a transmitter...."

I am sorry that I implied that Otto was trying to sell them light beam equipment. This was my error. I also should have stated, as Miss Maier points out, that my reference on P. 13 of the article to "flipping the band switch" was only hypothetical, since none of the noises accompanying such a switch appear on the wire recording.

John Otto wrote me on Jan. 7, 1958, giving many details relating to the WGN broadcast. I quote only a small portion of his letter here:

"...I was not at the station (WGN) at any time near the broadcast.Just as the show was about to start, I realized that I should at this last moment call, unsuspectingly, as many persons as I could, asking them to record the show. Surprisingly, I could make no phone contact with any persons who were known to have recorders. Suddenly and purely on hunch, I remembered the Maiers. Time was very short, as the show had already started....I believe that even at this date, the Maiers still do not know that I was not in the radio station when I called them.

"....Your reference to a 'localized transmitter' is a logical one, and we suspected the same. However, my canvassing efforts in the immediate vicinity of the Maiers', where no one had heard anything but silence, rules this out."

I am glad to have Otto's confirmation that no one else in the Maiers' neighborhood heard the message. The message was therefore transmitted in a very localized manner. It is also evident that the only person who knew of Otto's phone call to the Maiers was Otto's friend from whose home he made the call.

To bring the whole story up to date, I want to state that on Jan. 8th of this year I received a phone call from Mr. E----- of the CIA office in Chicago. He had been informed by the Washington office that the tape and all records of it were lost, and that there was no way of telling me the name of the "known U.S. licensed radio" which Captain Elwood had told me had transmitted the code. In this manner, apparently, the CIA would like to bring to a close the story of the Otto-Maier "space message"; and, short of a public Congressional investigation of the entire flying saucer situation, there seems to be no way of digging out the name of the radio transmitter involved.

The original wire recording, and many tape-recorded copies of it, still exist, however, so amateur cryptanalysts may still try to decipher the message....

I hope that this letter has cleared up whatever incorrect impressions may have been left by my article.

LEON DAVIDSON

White Plains, N.Y.

(Unfortunately, limitations of space prevent us from printing Dr. Davidson's letter in full. - Editor.)

.....Davidson's article is substantially correct, and credit must be given him for reporting the event in a very thorough and non-sensational manner, although there are some points of interest which are not correct, and which may be assumed to be so because his contacts reported them to him incorrectly....

The events as they transpired have an altogether different meaning to me as the test engineer. I naturally look at the whole situation in a manner quite different from that of a person who would want to fake anything in this test. I have held communications tests which prove to me the validity of an extraterrestrial intelligence. I am therefore in the unique position of examining any new test with many short cuts. In brief, I do not have to check my own honesty, nor do I have to rely on other people's testimony....

Incidentally, I am sorry to see that you and Barker have gotten into a "hassle". Actually, though, you and he both deserved it. One can't expect to circulate half-truths (no matter what the motivation is), and still remain free of the painter's brush. You see, your entire effort in the past seemed to lean toward an expose sheet rather than an effort to report accurately. True, I think you were merely trying to prove your "Earth Theory"; but your publishing of letters without consent, and your unwarranted attack on Adamski and others, have rebounded on you in the form of the recent Barker feud material.

Actually, if it makes you feel any better, you were not hurt by Barker's tirade, and it looks like your bulletin is much better than ever. Get some more articles dealing with the positive results of true research.....Even now, your bulletin seems to have served a purpose, for it is much better than I ever expected to see it!....JOHN OTTO

Chicago, Illinois

Comment on the Hunrath-Wilkinson Article in the April-May Issue

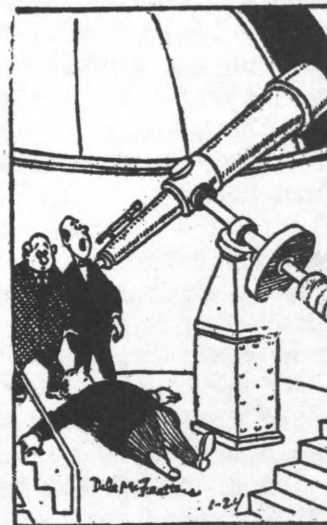
.....Briefly, I feel that you could have done better. I won't quibble, but you have missed the boat: One of my most important disclosures regarding the disappearance was that Hunrath and Wilkinson, as well as nearly every other person active in the metaphysical end of saucer research, believes that he or she is a reincarnate space being. They all have "space names" privately. Al Bailey, Dr. Laughead, George Williamson, Karl Hunrath, Wilbur Wilkinson, and George Van Tassel are all in this category. I am the fallen angel or the ugly duckling, as I have given up for lack of proof....

JERROLD BAKER
El Cajon, California

Further Comment on our Adamski Expose

After reading your recent letter, I have decided that it would be wrong of me to judge you and your Adamski Expose on the basis of evidence submitted to me by one man. Thus I have decided to investigate your story for possible merit.....I wish to make it clear to you that I am not for or against Mr. Adamski. Even though your magazine has already committed itself on the Adamski issue, I expect you to publish information I have that is both pro and con....

RICHARD OGDEN, Seattle, Washington
(Some of Mr. Ogden's material will appear in future issues. - Editor.)



'He thought it was an invasion from outer space—a fly lighted on the telescope lens!'

DR. DAVIDSON AND THE WGN CODE
- by Fred Kirsch -

Over the past two years SAUCER NEWS subscribers have been able to read three articles by Dr. Leon Davidson on the subject of the Air Force and flying saucers. Dr. Davidson goes to great lengths to prove the existence of a super-secret government agency that is deeply involved with the flying saucer saga. He is so deeply motivated by his desire to prove this "pet theory" that he becomes very unscientific in his investigations into the matter. While I realize the big job he has undertaken in trying to prove this theory, and his apparently never-ending efforts to do just that, this is no excuse for being unscientific in his investigations. All the facts must be taken into consideration, and the theory should be derived from the facts, not the facts fitted to the theory.

The latest article in Davidson's series appeared in the Feb.-March issue of this magazine. The article concerned the experiments of John Otto in trying to establish communication with our alleged space visitors. Dr. Davidson has conveniently overlooked or brushed off a number of facts that have an important bearing on the matter. I will therefore present these facts in the hope that they will give the reader a better understanding of the whole incident.

Davidson's description of John Otto's experiment is essentially correct. Disk jockey Jim Mills read a pre-arranged script over radio station WGN in Chicago. WGN is a 50,000 watt, clear channel station, of which there are only four in the United States. The script read was an appeal to the "space visitors" to establish communication with the people of Earth. At exactly 11-25 a.m., WGN cut off all microphones for 15 seconds. The carrier remained on, and it was during this 15 second "listening period" that the "space visitors" were requested to cut in on the carrier and speak to all listeners of the program.

The attempt resulted in reports from four people, who said they had heard a loud, teletype-sounding code. Jim Mills had asked for all "earth listeners" to try to make recordings of the program in case the "space visitors" did cooperate. Two of the four people are reported to have made recordings. Of these, the recording by the Maier sisters, who lived only four miles from Otto's home, was the only one that Otto was able to obtain. It is this one recording that has stirred up an endless controversy.

In his article Dr. Davidson gives the false impression that John Otto notified only the Maier sisters previous to the program, and that they were specially selected persons. He adds that the Maier sisters had never recorded any of Otto's programs before and were not regular listeners to Jim Mills' program. All of this only confuses the issue and hides the truth under a false air of mystery. The truth is that no one knew of the attempt previous to the program besides John Otto and Jim Mills. Otto realized this at the last minute and got on the phone to notify his friends and associates. Otto had visited the Maiers several times before, and they had especially requested him to notify them of any coming public broadcasts. It seems that they were making a library of recorded UFO material, and they wanted to record Otto too. Not being able to contact any of his associates at the last minute, Otto thought of the Maiers and called them. The program was already in progress when he reached them. So it was only a matter of a few minutes before the listening period that the Maiers were notified as to what was going on.

Dr. Davidson says that this whole idea of the "space visitors" using the carrier of the radio station is "naive". Such a feat is impossible at this time as determined by our present earthly technology. But if there really

are space visitors, they can't be limited to our earthly technology. And, since the purpose of the experiment was to have the "space visitors" give a message that could be heard by all the WGN listeners, what method is there that is any better than to have them try to utilize the WGN carrier? There is nothing naive about this plan at all.

Dr. Davidson readily goes along with the explanation given by the teletype engineers at the Kleinschmidt Teleprinter Manufacturing Co., who said that the code is "high security government transmission". These engineers were given a copy of the code by Otto, and they attempted to decode it; but they claim to have been told to leave it alone and not to continue trying to decipher it. Dr. Davidson will go along with them immediately, not because the engineers can prove their claims, but because this is what Dr. Davidson wants to believe. He has set out to prove the code a fake in any way he can.

The code itself is actually composed of five channels. This means that it is made up of five different musical tones that vary according to the letter being sent. We are told that this is just like ordinary radio-teletype code. Yes, some radio-teletype code does use five channels, but it is far from ordinary. In fact it is rather uncommon, and most teletype transmissions are composed of fewer channels.

According to the "C.S.I. Newsletter" No. 9, Davidson claims the code in question gives "perfectly normal-looking code message printouts" when fed into a teleprinter machine. Jules St. Germain, who conducted this test, must have been very fortunate indeed, because others have tried the very same thing and didn't get any printout. The code printed only as random noise. Even if the code does give a printout, this does not prove it to be earthly in origin. There are many other factors that would have to be taken into consideration. For a theory to be valid it must explain all the evidence at hand.

In his attempt to track down the source of the code, Davidson corresponded with several government officials. These officials answered on regular 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ by 11 inch paper, which is slightly larger than that used by our governmental agencies and armed forces. The letters were simple and plain with no reference to the branch of the government that was sending them. These letters were also very civilian-looking, according to Davidson, and regular postage stamps were used on them. The conclusion is then forced upon us that they must be from Davidson's secret saucer agency. Perhaps this is so, but how is it known that this is the secret agency in question? There are probably many secret agencies in the government. Secondly, how do we know it is a secret agency? There isn't enough evidence to prove anything. Just because these letters are not standard government letters, everything is secret and mysterious according to Davidson. Adamski has more evidence that he has talked to people from other worlds than Davidson has to support his theory. Yet Davidson is willing to believe his own theory with far less proof.

In his investigations, Dr. Davidson received a letter from A.T.I.C. saying that they had not received the taped code in question. He therefore concludes, "Thus the tape obviously had not been sent to A.T.I.C. or analyzed by them." Since when did saucer researchers start believing official statements concerning UFO's? If they did, they wouldn't be investigating saucers any more. Yet Dr. Davidson is readily inclined to go along with this statement when he knows very well the falsity of other official statements.

In another official reply from A.T.I.C. Davidson was told that they had checked and found out that the government's analysis confirmed that the recording contains only identifiable Morse code from a known U.S. station. The same thing holds true here. No evidence is given to support the statement. No saucer researcher would be so blind as to accept any Air Force statement on UFO's point blank. Yet Dr. Davidson does so only because A.T.I.C. confirms

what he is trying to prove.

Dr. Davidson has a two-phase program of code authenticity annihilation. First he "proves" it to be teletype, and then he explains how it probably got on the Maier sisters' tape, or in this case, wire. However, he doesn't prove either point beyond his own satisfaction, and he overlooks many contradicting facts because they don't fit his theories.

We are told that a panel truck or car with electronic equipment outside the Maiers' house could easily have transmitted the code into their radio. This is impossible in view of the circumstances. The Maiers were notified by John Otto only minutes before the listening period. How did the people who perpetrated this alleged hoax know that the Maiers were going to record the program? How did they even know about the experiment, since there was no previous publicity? And furthermore, it is technically impossible to do this. As mentioned earlier, WGN is a 50,000 watt, clear channel radio station. During the listening period the carrier remained on. The station was on the air with all its power even though no voices could be heard due to all the microphones being shut off. The code received by the Maiers overlapped the end of the listening period by four seconds. During this time Jim Mills had returned to the air and was completely blocked out. His first 19 words were cut off by the code. There is no known way hoaxters with their own radio equipment could have done this. If they had cut in on the WGN frequency during the listening period, their radio transmitter would have interfered with WGN's. In this case WGN would not be completely blocked, and both stations would be heard at the same time. They would interfere with each other, probably producing garbling and an electronic squeal. Also, if hoaxters were the cause of the code, why didn't other listeners in the neighborhood hear it too? Dr. Davidson overlooks all these points, and in view of these facts, the only possible conclusion is that his explanation is false.

The final clincher is that others over a wide area heard the code too. Four different cases of reception in widely separated locations are known. Obviously, these cases rule out Dr. Davidson's theory as to the cause of the code. How does he avoid this contradicting evidence? Davidson says that since these other three people presented no recordings so that a positive comparison could be made, therefore this evidence has to be discarded. However, comparisons were made, and one other party besides the Maiers did record the code, and it was identical. This person so highly praised what he had received that he refused to give a copy to John Otto, but the code was the same. The others also described in words what they had heard, and the actual recording was then played for them. They then absolutely identified the Maiers' code as being identical to what they had received. Since some of these persons were several hundred miles from Chicago, the theory of hoaxters and a radio transmitter is again ruled out. If a transmitter operated by some hoaxter had been used, as Davidson claims, then it would have been heard by everyone within the known maximum range of the transmitter. This would have meant thousands of listeners. But this was not the case, for only a few heard it. Also, how do we know that only four people received the code? Just because four said they had received it, this is no reason for assuming that there were only four.

Perhaps the reason for Dr. Davidson's intense efforts to explain away the code at all costs is that the real method in which it was received is apparently beyond our comprehension. It is very difficult, if not impossible, to understand the actions of a race far in advance of our own. Space men cannot be limited to our earthly technology. Maybe someone on another planet has perfected a method of transmission that is completely selective. Only those that are intended to receive will receive. The idea is not incomprehensible. It could very easily be something similar to thought transmission. There is

limited evidence supporting this theory, such as reception of strange signals in a completely shielded test laboratory and reception of other strange signals with units that weren't operating at the time and had all power disconnected. I won't go into details, but I am sure any electronic technician could explain the significance of the two above-mentioned incidents. Who knows what some race in advance of our own might be capable of? Only time will tell.

In conclusion let me say that Dr. Davidson is due some credit. He did actively investigate on his own. This is a lot more than many saucer researchers do. He did run into an unusual official run-around. His article did present some good information, but it didn't prove a thing. There are two sides to this story, and neither should be stressed as final at this time. I have not been trying to prove that the code is interplanetary in origin. I say only that it is unexplainable, and Dr. Davidson's explanations are far from adequate. There is no final answer yet, and until one is found, let's leave the book open.

RATIONALISM IN UFOLOGY

- by Richard Hall -

A look at UFO periodicals today shows that Rationalists are running wild in the field of Ufology. A Rationalist, in the philosophic sense, is one who believes that reason alone, unaided by observation, can provide knowledge about objective phenomena such as UFO's. Reason, of course, is a wonderful faculty, but it can only analyze facts and uncover possible explanations unless used in conjunction with empirical observation. The possibilities uncovered may be very interesting, but they are not facts.

The UFO Rationalists have dreamed up systems which appear to explain UFO's. These appearances, however, are deceptive because the explanations are empty. They tell us nothing new, nothing tangible, nothing subject to verification in case we want to check up on it. The dangers of Rationalism are obvious. Such systems, often offered in all sincerity, are mistakenly presented as being empirical fact. Actually, unlike scientific explanation (which combines empirical data with logical analysis) there is no logical necessity for accepting a rationalistic statement of fact in preference to any one of an infinite number of other possible statements. Rationalism and science are opposing methods of explanation.

To illustrate the failings of Rationalism, I will analyze some quotations from the writings of Dr. Meade Layne of BSRA, which appear in the bulletin of the Vancouver, B. C. Flying Saucer Club (Dec. 1957.) The following remarks should not be construed as a personal attack on Mr. Layne, but rather as an analysis of some typical Rationalist reasoning. It is unfortunate that well-intentioned men, as Rationalists frequently are, make hasty statements of "fact" which cannot be justified. We are all eager for answers, but we will not get true ones by leaping off into speculation.

Mr. Layne refers to UFO's as "etheric ships". That would be a perfectly acceptable name-tag if it were not soon apparent that "etheric" is supposed to be actually referring to a real place from which the UFO's come. A name, however, does not endow a concept with physical reality by virtue of being spoken or written.

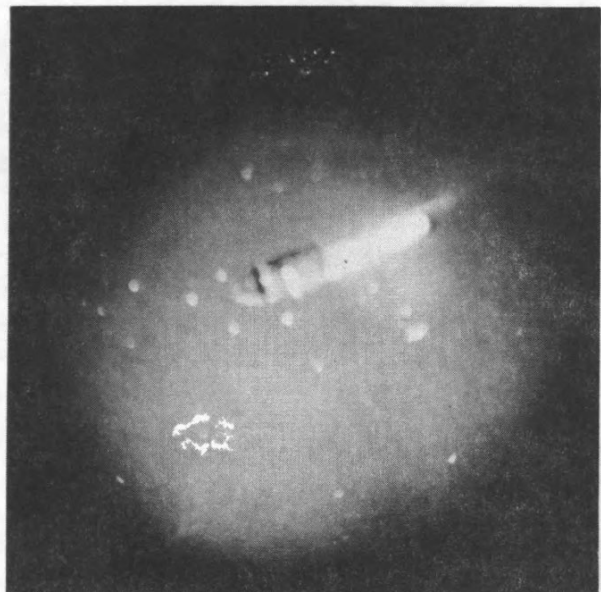
What are the UFO's? They are "etheric ships". Where do they come from? From "the Etheric Plane, or Etheric level.....(or) Etheria." Who flies them? "The Etherians". Would it be sacrilegious to ask just where Etheria is and what evidence there is for its existence in the first place? It would be just as enlightening and just as meaningful to say that the UFO's are "glopic ships" which come from the "Glopic Plane" or "Glopovia". They are, of course,

piloted by "Glopovians". The words "etheric" and "plane" appear to have been chosen deliberately for their previous mystical connotations and emotional content. Mr. Layne has not discovered a new kind or place of existence. He has only provided a deceptive rationalistic "explanation" for UFO's deriving from the vague usage of language. Subjective language, capable of personal interpretations, is not the language of science.

One might reason like this: UFO's exist; therefore they must have come from somewhere. Let's call that somewhere "Etheria". Unless Mr. Layne can furnish evidence of what and where it is, however, he has added nothing new to our knowledge. The fact that Mr. Layne and others insist on calling in imaginary "dimensions" also makes them suspect. It has not been demonstrated that UFO's do not originate in the physical universe as we see it, so why all the haste to make them "non-physical" (whatever that might be?) The fact that empirical science has not explained UFO's satisfactorily does not mean that it cannot explain them. The assumptions underlying the other-dimensional explanations are many, but the worst are those which assume that appearances are realities. A UFO "disappears suddenly" and is said to have "dematerialized". There are possible scientific explanations for such observations, but the Rationalists are too eager to invoke "other planes of existence".

The Rationalist seldom distinguishes clearly between his allegations of fact and his speculations. That is what makes his remarks so unpalatable at times. Mr. Layne goes on to give the impression that he has talked to the Etherians. "Their purpose was simply to observe and study the situation and the state of humanity..."; "Our weapons have become a menace to the Etherians themselves."; "(They are) mainly indifferent toward us."; etc.

Taking "Etherians" to be a name-tag for the Space Men and not a reference to a real place, and taking the above quotations to be conjecture, some people might accept Mr. Layne's work as a reasonable study; but it is not fact, and not to be confused with science. In my opinion, it is questionable whether any progress will be made in understanding UFO's as long as rationalistic conjecture displaces and delays scientific inquiry. It is the curse of Ufology that Rationalists are all too eager to take part, while scientists are notoriously reluctant.



The above photos, allegedly of flying saucers, were taken recently by Ralph Nicholson of Patterson, N.J. The one on the right was taken through a telescope.

SAUCERS AND THE INTERNATIONAL GEOPHYSICAL YEAR

- by John W. Corman -

Foremost in the minds of all saucer researchers and enthusiasts today should be speculation on what effect the International Geophysical Year (IGY) may have on the saucer situation as it stands at present, and the possible effect that the saucers themselves may have on the IGY.

In his article "Saucers on the I.G.Y. List?", in the November 1957 issue of "Flying Saucers from Other Worlds", Ray Palmer hints that the real reason for the IGY is the study of saucers and of ways to defend ourselves against them in the event that they prove to be hostile. Palmer further wonders about the sudden cooperation between Russian and American scientists participating in the IGY. He infers that perhaps our nation is teaming up with the Russians against a common enemy from Outer Space.

This may be true, but in view of programs similar to the IGY in the past, and since Palmer offers no conclusive proof to support his suppositions, his conclusion seems improbable. As far back as 1882 scientists the world over made the first organized assault on the mysteries of the earth. During this period (1882-1883), known as the First International Polar Year, simultaneous expeditions were sent into the Arctic and Antarctic. These expeditions brought back new knowledge about the earth's magnetic field and the aurora.

Fifty years later scientists decided that techniques and instruments had improved sufficiently to warrant another assault. During the Second International Polar Year from 1932 to 1933, expeditions to the earth's polar regions uncovered facts about electromagnetic radiation that eventually led to such electronic advances as radar.

The IGY was first conceived on April 5, 1950 by physicist Lloyd V. Berkner at an informal meeting of several American scientists at the home of James A. Van Allen in Silver Springs, Maryland. Dr. Berkner suggested that a major international scientific effort should be made during 1957-58, since many scientific questions about the earth and its atmosphere urgently needed investigation. Also the sun would be entering a sunspot cycle in 1957-58, and another chance to study sunspots and their effects on the earth wouldn't come again until 1970, when the sunspot cycle would again reach a peak. This suggestion was rapidly taken up by many scientists, and after a discussion by the Joint Committee on the Ionosphere at Brussels, Belgium, a resolution was presented to the International Council of Scientific Unions that a third international effort similar to the First and Second International Polar Years should be made.

The International Council of Scientific Unions accepted the responsibility for such a program in 1951 and a Comite Special de l'Anne Geophysique Internationale (Special Committee for the International Geophysical Year) was set up, which included representatives from many scientific groups. A period from July 1957 to December 1958 was designated as the IGY. The name was changed from the traditional Polar Year to Geophysical Year because not only the polar regions but the entire earth and its atmosphere and interplanetary surroundings were to be studied.

At present more than 10,000 scientists from 67 nations, located at 2,000 stations from pole to pole, are participating in the IGY. Subjects such as accurate weather forecasting, weather changes due to melting ice at the poles, radiation, as well as hundreds of other phenomena, are being intensively studied. New techniques and devices such as electronic computers, radar, radio astronomy, rockets, and radioisotope dating, are greatly aiding and improving these studies.

Palmer's claim that all this is a cover-up solely for the secret investigation of flying saucers seems highly improbable. It is very likely that saucers are being unceremoniously studied along with other phenomena, and that scientists have been told discretely to be on the lookout for strange aerial objects and to quietly report any such objects to their respective governments.

Whether or not a definite effort to study saucers in conjunction with the IGY is being made, one thing is fairly certain: Since the earth is literally being scanned from top to bottom during the IGY, a saucer is bound to show up somewhere and be observed by a scientist possessing modern equipment; and this could reveal new facts about the elusive disks.

Something of this sort may occur (or perhaps has already occurred) in one of the following fields:

(1) Astronomy - Telescopic or radio-telescopic observations may detect flights of UFO's in space or clear up some of the mysteries surrounding the canals on Mars or the changing craters and strange lights that have been seen on the Moon.

(2) Meteorology - Studies of the atmosphere could reveal new information about mirages, cloud formations, and temperature inversions, which probably account for a large percentage of saucer sightings. Also studies of the aurora will bring new insight into this strange electrical phenomenon. (Already one of the discoveries of the IGY has been that the aurora occurs simultaneously at both the North and South Poles.) This may aid in clarifying the possibility that some UFO's are merely balls of St. Elmo's fire or some similar freakish electrical phenomenon. These studies might also establish that saucers are powered or protected by electrical or magnetic forces.

(3) Oceanography - Peering into the briny deep, scientists may find evidence that highly advanced civilizations such as Atlantis or Lemuria once existed and sank beneath the sea. (Studies in archaeology and glaciology may also turn up such evidence.) Perhaps someone will come across new and possibly intelligent forms of sea life which have lurked unseen in the depths of the oceans for eons.

(4) Exploration - Bases being established in the Arctic and Antarctic may lead to the discovery of something that will substantiate the theory that saucers are landing or approaching the earth by way of the polar regions because the earth's rotation is slower in these areas than in any other place, or because our magnetic field is strongest in these regions.

(5) Gravity and Geomagnetism - Basic research into the mysterious forces that bind the universe together may bring startling revelations which will outdate our present concepts of matter and energy, and which may reveal new methods of propulsion which the saucers are harnessing even now. (Recently the Glen L. Martin Co., prime contractor for the Air Force's ICBM Titan, announced that they are under contract with the Government to do research on gravity as a means of aircraft propulsion.)

(6) Upper Atmosphere Rocket Studies - The man-made satellites that are now and soon will be circling the earth, are just the first step in an attempt that will eventually take Mankind outward to the farthest stars. Upper atmosphere research using these satellites, as well as balloons and rockets, will bring a better understanding of the void from which the saucers may be coming, and pave the way for the day when Man will set foot on the planet from which the saucers come (assuming that saucers are of interplanetary origin.)

Whether anything as startling or important as the possibilities just described will occur is uncertain, and if something of the sort does happen, the possibility of the general public learning about it immediately is almost non-existent; for many great discoveries will probably be kept secret

in the interest of national security. However, a summary report of the first five months of the IGY (July through November, 1957), prepared by Hugh Odishaw, Executive Director of the United States program for the IGY, and made public on January 17th, 1958, revealed many interesting facts. Among other things, it stated:

(1) From 110 American rocket firings during the first five months of the IGY it was learned that the temperature and pressure of the upper air varies greatly with latitude, season and time of day. This suggests that the density of the upper atmosphere is influenced by the sun.

(2) Bursts of X-rays from the sun are now believed to form radio-absorbing layers at the base of the ionosphere, which cause radio blackouts.

(3) A series of electric currents has been found to be circling the earth in the upper atmosphere. In particular, there is an "electrojet" girdling the geomagnetic equator.

(4) Whistlers - low-frequency radio sounds seeming to originate in lightning flashes- have been found to follow high-arching lines of the earth's magnetic field, which take them thousands of miles out into space before returning to Earth. This seems to indicate the presence of a thin atmosphere in space - possibly an extension of the sun's own atmosphere.

(5) The amount of oxygen dissolved in the water of the South Atlantic has uniformly decreased during the past thirty years. It is believed that this is caused by a slowing of deep water replacement, which is the result of - or prelude to - climatic change.

(6) Seismic soundings have shown that the ice sheet covering Antarctica is far thicker than was formerly supposed. In some areas, well "inland", the rock floor beneath the ice was found to be far below sea level, while the ice surface was 5,000 feet or more above sea level. Cores of ancient Antarctic ice have been extracted intact from a depth of 2,200 feet below the surface.

These early findings do not seem to bear any direct relationship to flying saucers, but it will be several years before the IGY observations can be thoroughly checked and their significance fully realized. In the meanwhile they give one something to speculate on during the remaining months of the IGY, which will probably bring even more important discoveries.

In any case it must be remembered that whatever the immediate developments are, the information gathered during Man's first International Geophysical Year will eventually lead us to a better - though perhaps still incomplete - understanding of the nature of the saucers and their reasons for being here.

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YOU TOO CAN SEE A FLYING SAUCER!

- by Justin Case -

Would you like to see flying saucers? Do you want to meet and talk with visitors from other planets, or even take a ride in one of their space ships? You can do so quite easily. In fact, the less educated and the more simple-minded you are, the easier it is for you to do all this. But there is considerable danger involved, as you shall soon see.

Most of us are familiar with hypnosis, in which the hypnotist gains control over some person's mind (the person is hereafter called the subject), and makes him do many things that the subject could not or would not do when in his right senses. The subject sees, feels, hears, smells, and tastes whatever the hypnotist tells him to, even though there is nothing there. To the subject the imaginary becomes the real. He will even harm himself or commit crimes against others, so completely is he under the hypnotist's control, and he will be totally unaware of what he did, unless the hypnotist chooses to tell him afterwards.

The dangers of this form of hypnosis are obvious. About one person in five can be hypnotized. Some people are so susceptible that they can be hypnotized by a recorded voice, or over the telephone, or even against their will. To protect such people, some countries have outlawed the practice of hypnosis except by licensed practitioners, and then only for legitimate purposes.

But there is another and much more dangerous form of hypnosis that is of special interest to us. It is dangerous because it cannot be outlawed, for it is beyond any governmental control. This is called auto-suggestion, or self-hypnosis, in which the subject puts himself into somewhat the same mental state as if he were hypnotized by someone else. A common name for this state of mind is day-dreaming, and many people indulge in it without realizing how disastrous it might become.

Such people are usually seeking an escape from the harsh, disagreeable realities of life. They are little people who want to be great, timid souls who want to be heroes, obscure individuals who want fame, troubled people who want peace. They start off by creating in their own minds the kind of world they want. They picture themselves as being what they wish to be, doing the things they want to do, and getting the things they desire. This is such an easy and pleasant process that the subject indulges in these day dreams more and more frequently. Gradually he begins to spend more time in his dream world than in the real world. As time goes by, the imaginary world becomes more and more real. Eventually the subject lives in it entirely, and he cannot consciously return to the real world. When that happens he has lost all contact with the real world, he has lost all control over his own mind, and is ready for the lunatic asylum. That is why self-hypnosis, or auto-suggestion, or day-dreaming, is dangerous.

Since they live in worlds which they have created to their own special order, lunatics are usually quite happy people. Often they are harmless. But sometimes their day-dreaming is of the more frightening type, full of horror and terror, and such people end up as raving maniacs who are apt to harm themselves and others. Thus any form of day-dreaming or self-hypnosis, if carried too far, will lead to disaster.

It is only in the last few decades that psychologists have begun to investigate and understand the widespread practice of self-hypnosis, its causes and effects. They have begun to establish "mental health" clinics. It may shock some of us to learn that two out of every three patients in our hospitals are suffering from some form of mental illness, in which the

patient cannot readily distinguish the imaginary from the real.

It may also shock us to learn that psychologists believe that many biblical characters whom we have been taught to revere were most probably victims of self-hypnotism. These psychologists also attribute many psychic phenomena to the same thing.

What all this means is that any person can make himself see anything he wishes, if he persists long enough and does not realize the dangers of what he is doing. The less educated and the more simple-minded he is, the harder it is for him to distinguish between the imaginary and the real. He can very easily drift into day-dreaming, in which he can have visions of angels and cherubs, of chariots in the sky, of giants and dragons, of fairies and leprechauns, of ghosts and goblins, of devils and imps, and of voluptuous women. He can see people living or dead, and witness events of the past or future. He can hear voices, talk to people, and go on journeys. If flying saucers are of particular interest to him, he can in time see them, talk to their occupants, who will appear to be whatever he wants them to be, and he will even go for a ride inside their space ships. When he becomes convinced that all these hallucinations are real, he is then ready to be visited - not by the three men in black suits in Gray Barker's book, but by men in white suits, who will take him to the nearest lunatic asylum.

It should be clearly understood that all people who have hallucinations or who indulge in day-dreaming, are not headed for lunacy. Normal children often have hallucinations. Adults with child-like minds have them about as often. Normal adults also have hallucinations sometimes, but usually only when they are under great emotional stress such as fear, grief, anger, or hate, or when they are physically exhausted, or under the influence of intoxicants or narcotics. Hallucinations and day-dreams are not dangerous until they become very frequent and persist for long periods of time. Then there is danger of lunacy unless prompt psychiatric treatment is obtained.

Intelligent people are aware of the widespread practice of self-hypnotism and its effects and dangers. That is why they are skeptical of reports of very unusual events, especially those seen by simple-minded people of little education. That is also why the Air Force was prone to attribute so many UFO sightings to hallucinations; and that is why intelligent people who witnessed unusual UFO sightings were reluctant to publicize them. They themselves were not too sure of what they had seen or thought they had seen, and they feared ridicule.

On the other hand, simple-minded people and those with little education fully believe all UFO reports and even the "contact stories", not realizing that the reports and stories could easily be hallucinations, i.e., the products of self-hypnotism.

All this shows the importance of knowing the intelligence and education of a UFO observer before deciding how much to believe his story. Unfortunately, the most unusual UFO reports and contact stories in flying saucer literature have been written by people who appear to be limited in education and intelligence. These stories have obvious flaws in them, which cast doubt on their veracity. The above discussion tends to indicate that some of these writers are honest, sincere people who are probably and unknowingly victims of their own self-hypnotism. Other writers are hoaxers bent on cashing in on the credulity of simple-minded people. Still other stories are fabrications whose authors have repeated them so often that they have convinced themselves. This is another form of self-hypnotism.

In any event, you too can make yourself see flying saucers that are not there, but this article should convince you it is a rather dangerous procedure. So stop before you go too far!

EXTRATERRESTRIALISM AS AN HISTORICAL DOCTRINE

Part Two - Section One

- by Y. N. ibn Aharon, B.D., STM -

In the last section of this series, I spoke of the many races which contributed to the ethnographic history of the Earth. In this article, I am going to restrict myself to a discussion of the relationship between the men of the Inner Race, and our own forebearers. The Chaldeans associated this Inner Race with Venus, called Ishtar and Shakhra, the Morning Star, and they designated them as "Those to whom Venus gave birth" at many points in their liturgy. Whether these Shakhra were indeed Venusians is a point which I shall not endeavor to settle. A discussion of the additional complicating factors which enter into a final disposition of this problem is to be found in Immanuel Velikovsky's documentation on the identity of the planet Venus. This is to be found in his book, "When Worlds Collide", published by Doubleday.

Whether or not they were Venusians, it is certain that they were highly capable on the individual level, and that their personal self-esteem was quite that which we would attribute to a deity. In the face of such magnificence, early Man, who was but a wretched creature, could only tremble and make his obeisance. After the rise of human civilization, however, relations were on a more nearly equal level, with the human plutocracy holding its own with good consistency toward the plutocrats from Beyond.

A conservative dating for the beginnings of organized culture among Earth Men is 27,000 B.C. The small groups of men who followed the luminescent marvidaya (magic carpets) toward the more suitable hunting grounds, gradually became a closely-knitted social organization, which had no further need for encouragement from the extraterrestrials, insofar as solidarity was concerned. Each able-bodied man was born with a hate for his compeers; Early social groupings were based upon a struggle for ascendancy among the younger men of the group, presided over by an Old Man, who might be thirty years old or thereabouts. The guidance provided by the extraterrestrials somehow encouraged the coalescence of this older hatred into a new one; The despite of one young man for another became the enmity of one tribe for another - and the degree of brotherly love within each tribe was food for the optimists who had in mind the abolition of strife between brother and brother, between man and man.

Over a period of thousands of years, the tribal groupings slowly learned to seek out their own food and sustenance. The luxuriant tropical forests made it unnecessary for them to fight one another, and the extraterrestrials had instructed them in a common language and worship. As a result of this situation, tribes in several different geographic areas formed confederations, at a period which we may almost certainly date as 11,000 B.C. Three of these confederations are well known: that of the South Central Pacific, that of East Central Africa, and that of South Central Asia. These are called Rada, Talantu (Atlantis), and Dravidaya, respectively, in Aramaic. Other less unified tribal confederations existed in America and in the Mediterranean region. The three I have named, however, rose to great heights of unity, and devoted the fruits of their peace and plenty to the purposes of learning. They lived lives which had much in the way of machinery for regimentation, but little of its practice. The reins of state were kept out of unsuitable hands by a small but brilliant group of men, who must be numbered among the most capable that our race has ever produced. They are known as the Priests of the Wisdom. In Sanskrit they are called Naga, and in Aramaic they are known as the Nogah, which is also the word for Venus. In this collective sense, the word might be translated as illuminati.

The Priests of the Wisdom governed the greater part of our Earth

for the two thousand years immediately preceding the Great Deluge of 9,000 B.C. (N.B: In this respect, I do not agree with Velikovsky, who rejects Plato's statement, on the grounds that small numbers seem larger as we grow older.) So crucial was the period of their rule that it left traces in the governmental structures and philosophical systems of the greater part of the human race for thousands of years after their power had been washed away by the waters of the Great Deluge. The office of af'fir in the religious congregations of the Eastern Christian sects, various masonic offices, the institution of the papacy, the lama, the inca, and the dragon cults, all hark back to the sceptered servants of the people, who were the priests of Talantu (Atlantis.)

The religious nature of their successors is misleading, however. Religion as we know it is a very late manifestation, and although early Man did worship the Beings from upon High, yet the Priests of the confederated tribes worshipped no one; They dealt and quibbled with our neighbors in space in much the same way as we might deal and quibble with the emissary of an influential foreign power. The Patriachs of Chaldea took over this democratic etiquette, and were accepted as the successors of Atlantis by the entire Western branch of the post-diluvian survivors. The position of power was no longer a live issue, and the regrets of the extraterrestrials left their policy indeterminate. Certain individuals found themselves regarded as gods by incipient groups, whose philosophy and spirit of schism was inconsistent with the fallen civilization of the Priests of the Wisdom; and the Priests of Chaldea railed against these presumptuous outsiders, and begged them not to interfere in the affairs of a race already made unhappy in an attempt to cope with forces greater than itself.

The extraterrestrials had not cared to master the physical forces which surround Man, and their natural interests lay with the different forces which controlled their own movements. Certain members of the Inner Race did cooperate in the construction of experimental stations and preserves to the south of the Bharati region, but they were there in a consultative capacity, and never attempted anything more than the simple adoption of the most utilitarian of their magic devices for the use of the earth people. The physics of the Priests, meanwhile, developed along the lines of research contained in the concept of mantrarhat - the flow of generated force. This Sanskrit term is rendered into Aramaic by the phrase rukha shakhintu, and is the subject of the voluminous series of essays on practical physics bearing the name of Mar Antinogion. Some of these are closely related to the Sanskrit works of the Tattva and Tantra schools, and others resemble the Lepcha and dbu-chan codices of the southeastern lamaseries. The system of schematic diagrams, while inadequate, is better than that used by either the Egyptians or the Greeks for their architectural programs; and as great as were the monuments of those sparse notations, I need not hint at the conceptual and mechanistical grandeur of these more ample sources.

The Chaldeans had nothing to say about twenty-seven foot tall Lemurians, and they were dubious about the towers of Atlantis, but their tradition is highly sensitive to those who would find the faults of lesser mortals in the ranks of the Priesthood of the Wisdom. The average human of those days could visit the nearby planets with ease, and he was acquainted with terrestrial geography at first hand. There was only one language to study, but literature was as broad a pursuit then as now; The lack of linguistic variety was compensated for by an abundance of forms. Their poetry, for example, could demand rhyme or assonance at both ends of a line, or at any point in the middle. And the greatest masters of that craft have left us specimens of Aramaic poetry which gives the appearance of rhyming when read aloud, but in actuality has no visible cause for this effect, either grammatically or phonetically.

The creed of this priesthood and its following was that an increase in perception is the purpose of life. Everything they did was directed toward this end. So intense was the spirituality of many of these groups that there was some problem about keeping up the population to the point of genetic safety. Evidently, Jehova and his "Be fruitful and multiply" had not yet appeared on the scene.

The themes of the art and architecture of this priesthood and its followers were essential in their simplicity, but they cannot be confused with the overtly simple themes of genuinely primitive art, nor is any sensitive person liable to confuse the two. The distinction between the truly civilized, the frankly uncivilized, and that which bears but the veneer of civilization, is too plain to be ignored by anyone who has a shekel to give for the resuscitation and continuation of civilized endeavor. The evidences of Atlantean culture, insofar as art forms are concerned, are to be found for the most part in the collections of the Sangha and of the Akhaya yat-Amita, which maintains the great academies at Yesub al Beir and Sawdauth. The NaaCal collection of the Nagas is supplementary, as are the DaGaNi and the Talatacan. Carven models of space craft and marvidi are to be found in these places, and in many private collections. The idea of the "godhead" on the prow of a traveling craft was, to begin with, an aesthetic device for covering the relatively cumbersome and certainly unbeautiful mass of weighted lead, which was required to work in harmony with the carbon stubs, which in turn were used to hold down the copper coilings at the other end of the ship.

The destruction of this splendor is a melancholy subject, and only limitations of space force me to be so brief in my statements about it. The sociological factors were, in my opinion, secondary. The Chaldeans blamed the extraterrestrials for not taking a more active role in technological development, and were wont to call the whole thing an accident. But the priest of Hathor would go to the coast of Nubia on the years of the Cycle of the Six, and he would stand up, and he would call out, "It is my victory, O Tathanu, and since you would escape beyond the seas, I called them from their resting place to follow you, and - Woe is me! They did follow, and they brought with them the surface of the earth." On this basis, the more realistic school of historians has come to suspect that the founders of Egypt were descended from a group which had picked a quarrel with the forefathers of the white priests who went fleeing beyond the eastern seas. "And long were their ears, and great was their mind, and good was their end, - but we stopped them." This is the creed of the ascendancy of the black priests during the dawn dynasties of the two Egypts.

In the next installment, we will explore the era of the migrations, and the continuation of the traditions of the Patriarchs and the Pharoahs, as seen in the careers of Moses and Abraham.

(Editor's Note: Due to space limitations, Mr. Aharon has omitted all footnotes from the above article. Any readers who would like to have this list of footnotes should write to the Editor requesting same. These requests will then be passed on to Mr. Aharon.)

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RECENT NEWS STORIES

SAUCER WITH HIEROGLYPHICS FOUND IN ENGLAND (See photo on cover): This story is a bit out of date, but it should be new to most of our American readers: In December of last year, three men found a small flying saucer with strange writing on it on a moor near Yorkshire, England. The men were driving up a steep hill on the moor one night, when the engine of their car suddenly cut out. According to their report to the newspapers, they then saw a glowing object in the sky above some nearby trees. The object appeared to fall to the ground. One of the men, named Hutton, then took a flashlight and went out to locate it, and having done so, he returned to the car to tell his friends. On the way back to the car, he passed a man and woman on a little-used path. When he returned to the spot on the moor where he had located the object a few minutes before, it was no longer there. It subsequently developed that this other man, who is not identified by name in the papers, had picked up the mysterious object, and Hutton and his friends eventually bought it from him for \$28. They then lent it to another unnamed man whom they believed to be an authority on flying saucers.

The base of this mysterious saucer-shaped object is made of copper. It is double-skinned, with a metal coating about $\frac{3}{16}$ th of an inch thick. It has two vent holes in the top, with scorch marks around them. A shaft runs through the middle, and with a flashlight it is possible to look into the interior. Therein is found some copper tubing about a quarter of an inch in diameter coiled around a metal cylinder. Also inside is a powdery substance of some kind. The object is strongly made, and if it is a mere hoax, it must have cost the hoaxter a fairly large amount of money to construct it.

There are hieroglyphics on the outside of the saucer, and when the object was taken apart, 17 thin copper sheets similar to tin foil in texture were found inside it in the form of a book. The above-mentioned flying saucer authority claims to have translated the outside message as follows: "Friends. Message inside to be dealt with by philosophers, not officials. Good wishes. Ulo." The inside message, written on these 17 copper sheets, begins as follows: "My name is Ulo, and I write this message to you, my friends on the planet of the sun you call earth. Where I live I will not say. You are a fierce race, and prepare for space travel...." The man who made this translation was quoted as saying, "I accept this as a message, but I don't accept that it comes from another planet. I think it was devised as a method of presenting certain ideas to the public - either by way of propoganda or advice. It may have come from a body of scientists, who, if they tried to put over their message in a normal way, might be guilty of a breach of trust." We of SAUCER NEWS are inclined to agree in general with this interpretation, assuming that the saucer is not an outright hoax after all.

HAUNTED HOUSE ON LONG ISLAND: It's a relief to know that New York area residents don't have to go to England any more to see a good old-fashioned haunted house. Now we have one right here in the town of Seaford, Long Island, New York. Numerous February newspaper accounts state that bottles have been blowing their corks, objects have been jumping around, apparently by teleportation, and other strange things have been happening - all of which have done little if any good to the nervous system of James Hermann, the house's unfortunate owner. Police, working on the theory that the phenomena might be caused by warm air and hot gas backing down the chimney flue, decided to put a cap on the chimney; but this relieved the situation only temporarily. Hermann and his family moved out for a few days while this work was being done, but when they came back the phenomena started again. All sorts of help-

ful amateurs and professionals have visited the home and witnessed the strange occurrences, but none have been able to help. Said Nassau County police, in despair, "What can we do except watch the furniture fly by?" They hastily added, however, that the matter is still "under investigation", and the mischief maker - whatever it may be - is going to be tracked down even if it takes a long time.

FLYING SAUCER CAPTURED ON FILM IN HAWAII: One of the very rare instances of genuine flying saucers being caught on movie film seems to have occurred in Hawaii last January, when Cliff DeLacy, a 23-year-old college student from Vallejo, California, shot 90 seconds of film. DeLacy saw nine UFO's flashing across the sky, and immediately grabbed his camera. He was careful enough to shoot the tops of nearby trees, to give viewers a reference as to the height and relative speed of the unknown objects. To the untrained observer, the UFO's appear to be about 3 or 4 miles away from the camera, flying at an altitude of 7,000 to 8,000 feet, and burning up the airplanes at a speed slightly greater than that of a jet. The silvery globules appear to be no more than 20 feet in diameter. They are spherical, and no tail fins or other protrusions of any kind are visible. The film, in color, is said to be clear and to show at least two of the nine UFO's in considerable detail. If this is true, then it is by far the best of the less than half dozen genuine saucer movies known to be in existence.

MORE ABOUT THE ABOMINABLE SNOWMAN: Our old friend the Abominable Snowman of the Himalayas is back in the news again. In the April-May issue we related how A.G. Pronin, a member of a Russian scientific expedition, claims to have spotted the mysterious "Yeti" or Snowman twice last summer. Now we have new information about Pronin's expedition, to the effect that a Snowman is believed to have stolen a rubber boat belonging



Flying saucers orbiting around Paris' Eiffel Tower? Actually, the gleaming discs are reflections of lamps and their shades in a window of the Palais de Chail- lot, through which this unretouched picture was taken.

to the Russian team. The boat was found a month later three miles upstream, and on the other side of a waterfall. - Several new expeditions in search of the Yeti are scheduled for this year. A Russian team will return to the area, and two American expeditions as well as one British group are expected to join the hunt. A late report states that one of these expeditions has already photographed several of the Snowman's footprints. - Finally, from Northern Nepal, comes the most interesting story of all. The Rajah of Mustang is said to be in possession of a complete Abominable Snowman skin. A newspaper in that area has published a report from the Rajah saying that the skin, which is six feet long and blackish in color, is expected to be taken soon to the Nepalese capital. The Yeti was found dead - presumably killed by another animal.

CLOSE SIGHTING IN OHIO: Frank Dolence of Willoughby, Ohio, made a very good saucer sighting last April 1st, but was reluctant to report it, as he was afraid no one would believe him on April Fool's Day. While driving home from work at 4 a.m., he saw an object that seemed to be about 60 feet high, 30 to 40 feet across the top, 20 to 30 feet across the bottom, and shaped like an ice cream cone. It was an unusual color, between orange and red, and glowed like nothing he had ever seen before. "It appeared to be 200 feet in the air," said Dolence. "When I drove a little further down the street I couldn't see it any more, so I drove back to my original position and it came into sight again. By that time the object was much further away, to the west." Later that night Dolence drove back to the spot with his wife and daughter, but by that time the object had disappeared.

NEWS BRIEFS: A new top-secret U. S. weapon, called Pluto, is said to have many of the characteristics of a flying saucer. Although most details about it are still classified, it is known that both nuclear and ram-jet propulsion will be employed, to give this missile virtually unlimited range, exceptional control, and other unique qualities.....On Feb. 7th a two-foot-long rocket crashed into a street in Naples, Italy, causing widespread panic. The missile tore a gaping hole three feet wide and three feet deep in the street. Authorities said that the object was obviously of foreign origin, but its exact nature remained unsolved. No aircraft were in the vicinity at the time.... Two women received mild burns from a UFO on Feb. 21st, while driving their car on a New Mexico highway. The saucer gave off two brilliant flashes of light, which caused the burns. After a preliminary Geiger counter check disclosed the possibility of radioactivity, the women decided to have a thorough laboratory test. - The flash was seen in a six-state area.....A new mystery in England, probably unrelated to flying saucers but nevertheless interesting, concerns a number of London pigeons that have been dying for no apparent reason; A spokesman for the British Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals was quoted as saying, "The cause of death is unknown, despite two post-mortem examinations by our chief veterinary officer and his assistant. They say they have found no sign of poison. At the moment it is baffling, and we are deeply concerned".....

A piece of equipment believed to be from a Russian rocket or Sputnik fell last Jan. 8th on a farm in northern Japan. A spokesman for the Japanese Defense Ministry described the instrument as "more complicated" than those usually carried by weather balloons. Radio specialists from the Ministry were flown from Tokyo to investigate....Another mystery missile hit a train running from Crewe to Birmingham in England recently, and smashed a window. No one inside the train was able to find the object that caused the window to shatter.Literally gallons of water poured from the ceiling of a house in Birmingham (England) on a rainless day last February. The strange indoor rain lasted

for several hours on two successive days. Investigating authorities were unable to offer any reasonable explanation....Police armed with machine guns and dynamite recently formed a search party to look for a sea monster in Guanabara Bay, near Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. A lifeguard described the sea serpent as "a monster with the neck of a giraffe, humps on its back, and a long tail."..... An extremely important Air Force statement released in April gives a summary of conclusions reached by a panel of scientists regarding UFO's. The conclusions read in part as follows: "That the evidence presented on Unidentified Flying Objects shows no indication that these phenomena constitute a direct physical threat to national security. We firmly believe that there is no residuum of cases which indicate phenomena which are attributable to foreign (aircraft)....and that there is no evidence that the phenomena indicate a need for the revision of current scientific concepts." As in earlier Air Force statements, the clear implication is that saucers do exist and are American-made....

The British are now taking the Loch Ness Monster more seriously. A party of six Scottish underwater swimmers equipped with special underwater cameras went to the Loch in mid-June, and a total of more than 30 amateur divers were expected to join in the search, according to a preliminary report we have received. Plans for this search were made after the monster was spotted visually and by underwater sound equipment in early June....The town of Biggleswade, England, was subjected to a series of saucer hoaxes over a period of months by a mechanic who finally confessed his stunt voluntarily. The hoaxter, named Frank Russell, built a contraption consisting of lights, a balloon, and fireworks, which when released at night gave the appearance of a flying saucer for several seconds. He would then retrieve his device and use it again when the spirit moved him. British authorities are undecided as to whether to prosecute or not....English scientists are baffled by a mystery force which hurled a car four feet into the air, stripped branches from nearby trees, and flung the driver of the car into a ditch 30 feet away....Another monster, this time in England's respectable Thames River, made its appearance in May. A group of people on the river bank saw a "black eel-like creature" at least a foot in diameter, swimming downstream. It was in view off and on for one minute, about 100 yards away from the viewers....

A Russian newspaper has published a photograph of an airman apparently suspended in mid-air in a condition of weightlessness. The airman, wearing a gravity-suit helmet, held a notebook for jotting down his reactions. He was in what appeared to be an oblong padded chamber.....A mysterious beast was reported in Bell View, Georgia, last April 19th. Four residents said that their dogs had been clawed to death by it, and one man saw it. "At first I thought it was a big monkey," said he. "I took another look and decided it might be a black panther. It just stood there, hollering and screaming, so I left.".... A New Jersey man who claims he was injured as a result of a close saucer sighting in 1956, has been refused workmen's compensation for his alleged injuries. The Workmen's Compensation Board ruled that the man's sighting was all an hallucination. The fellow claims that he has suffered from throat spasms, deafness, and other infirmities, all caused by the saucer.....Columbus, Ohio police and military officials were at a loss last April 3rd to explain reports of a bright flying object with a long row of windows seen between 9 and 11 p.m. the previous Wednesday. Traffic on a road near Columbus was stopped as drivers halted to watch the object, which flew around the east and south sides of the city before disappearing in the west....Also in Columbus, seven persons watched a 40-foot-long orange-colored saucer for a period of several minutes, on the night of Feb. 22nd. The object had "a sort of tail in the opposite direction from which it moved." It was flying at an altitude of about 2,000 feet.

SAUCER LANDING IN NEW JERSEY: On March 25th, a Drakestown, N. J. man named George Chowanski claimed that he had seen a strange object land in his back yard. The incident occurred several weeks previous to its publication, as Chowanski was reluctant to talk about it, fearing ridicule. According to his account, the object was 5 feet high and 15 feet long, and caused his two dogs to break the stillness of the night with loud barks and howls. He heard a "whirring noise", like an electric shaver, and saw a luminous saucer-shaped glow. Three beings emerged from the craft's bottom, walked around a bit, and returned to their saucer after one of them had picked something off the ground. Two or three minutes later the craft took off. - Chowanski's wife was also a witness to the incident. She fled terrified into the house after seeing the saucer, according to the newspaper report.

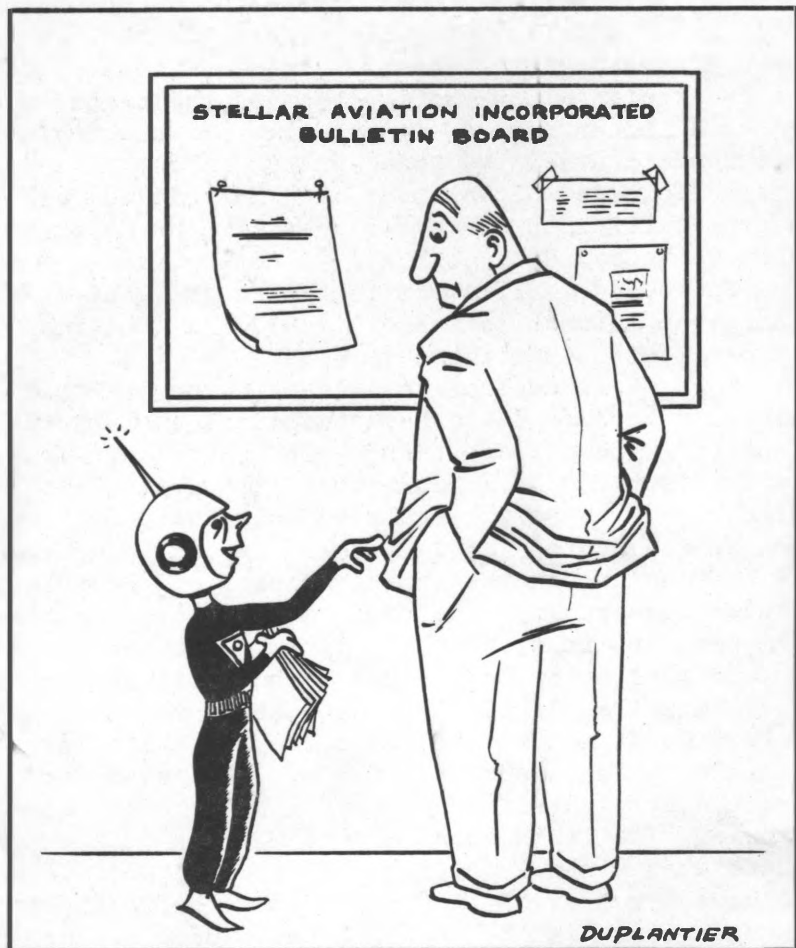
SAUCER BRIEFS: In the April 1st issue of his "Saucerian Review", Gray Barker has renewed the running feud that he has been conducting with your SAUCER NEWS Editor off and on for the past year or so. This time he has unjustly accused Lonzo Dove, a respected researcher and frequent contributor to this magazine, of purposely faking a certain photograph of your Editor. We are of the opinion that this whole matter was settled by our detailed comments in our February-March issue, and that further space-wasting controversy is somewhat useless. However, we also feel obliged to give Mr. Dove an opportunity to answer Barker's unfounded charges, and for this reason a letter from Dove on this subject will appear in our next issue....A gentleman in San Francisco has been kind enough to send us a tract put out by Great Western University, which calls itself "a non-profit teaching fellowship dedicated to helping every man reach a higher goal." Apparently the "University" is only a mail-order correspondence course. We note with extreme interest that among the faculty of their "College of Sciences and Humanities" are the names of our old friend George Williamson and his side-kick John McCoy. McCoy is listed as "Reverend John C. McCoy, H.C.A., H.A.A.", co-chairman of the Department of Psychology and Sociology. Williamson is listed as "George Hunt Williamson, Sc. D., A.A.A." (American Automobile Association????), Chairman of the Department of Anthropology. This takes the cake!!....

As most of you already know by this time, George Adamski is now claiming to have State Department endorsement for his notorious 1952 "Desert Contact" with a space being. The source of Adamski's new claim is an alleged letter from one R. E. Straith of the State Dept's Cultural Exchange Committee. Adamski has eagerly circulated this "evidence" among his supporters throughout the United States as well as in several countries overseas. The letter seems to be another in the strange series of hoax letters that has been plaguing saucer research for the past year or so. Our latest information is that Adamski persists in using the letter to bolster his sagging prestige, in spite of an official State Dept. denial and a personal visit by State Dept. officials.Meanwhile, SAUCER NEWS has been threatened with a \$2,000,000 libel suit by a West Coast man who claims to be a private investigator for Adamski. More details on this in our next issue....Latest major saucer book is "Flying Saucers and the Straight-Line Mystery", by France's Aime Michel, who is also the author of "The Truth about Flying Saucers". The second Michel book has been translated into English by Civilian Saucer Intelligence of New York. We hope to have a review of it for you soon.....Confidential information reaching our Headquarters has it that all the saucer contactees will soon be investigated by a privately-financed team of New York psychiatrists. Their findings will be published in a well-known scientific magazine....

Howard Menger, the New Jersey resident who claims to have visited other planets, received an earthly warning recently from the Federal Communica-

tions Commission for operating a static generator. The agents said the apparatus was found in a tent about 1,000 yards from his farmhouse. They said the generator was connected to an aerial and that it is capable of interfering with local radio and TV reception. They explained that a warning is issued to those violating FCC laws, and that an arrest is later made if the warning is not heeded. - Incidentally, Menger has remarried, and rumor has it that his first wife no longer supports his contact claims....London's infamous George King is under investigation by Scotland Yard for selling tape-recorded messages from Jesus Christ and the saints, for 25 shillings (about \$3.00) each. He is also selling blue glass bottles which, it is claimed, if filled with tap water and exposed to the sun, can bring "benefit and relief" to sufferers from various diseases. King, who heads England's Aetherius Society, claims to have been to Mars "in a mental state" and to have conversed with the people there. Not long ago he was also involved in a protest march in London streets, brought on by the British Government's secrecy concerning flying saucers.

UNUSUAL INCIDENT IN VERMONT: A dazzling ball of fire suspended from a parachute, a red flare, blinking signal lights, and a burned-out area in the woods were the ingredients of a puzzling mystery in Burlington, Vt. last April 20th. Most baffled of all was Lyman Cote, who witnessed the entire display. The strange series of events began about 9-30 p.m., when a fireball, at first thought to be a meteor, flared brilliantly in the sky near Burlington. Hundreds of people saw it, but they did not see what Cote saw - a parachute falling earthward from the object. It landed in a nearby patch of woods; Cote called the police, and tried to guide them to the area. A swamp blocked the way, but they could see two blinking white lights, like flashlight signals, at the spot they were trying to approach. A red flare was also seen coming from the same place. The next day they succeeded in reaching the area, where they found a scorched spot in the woods, but no signs of life or the parachute. Later Cote was visited by two Air Force men who cautioned him not to talk too much about the event. An Air Force helicopter was later seen scouting the area, but no statement was issued as to what it found. A report on the incident was sent to Washington.



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