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**PROPHET PERSECUTED BY POLICE:** In the above photo we see Andy Sinatra, the Mystic Barber of Brooklyn, trying to explain himself to a skeptical New York policeman, during his End-of-the-World February 4th demonstration in front of the United Nations Building. The man at the far left is one of the Barber's followers. Although few if any of Sinatra's predictions that day have come true, his one-man demonstration at the U.N. did accomplish at least one thing: He becomes the first saucer personality to be put on the cover of SAUCER NEWS for a second time. (See Page 18 for more details and pictures.)

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EDITORIALS

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN SAUCER NEWS POLICY: Your Editor started investigating flying saucers back in 1953. In those days we believed, as do most researchers, that saucers are probably extraterrestrial in origin. Then, shortly after our magazine was begun in 1954 (under the title "Nexus,") we became convinced that saucers are Earth-made machines manufactured by the U.S. and Russian Governments. Our change in viewpoint was brought about by exclusive information we received, some of which was printed in early issues of our magazine, and some of which was withheld. Our viewpoint was very unpopular, but we stuck to it.

However, over the years, we have gradually lost faith in the validity of this information. As late as 1957, your Editor and Dr. Leon Davidson were very close together in their viewpoints (though Davidson had nothing to do with our exclusive information.) Now, as you will learn from reading Davidson's article in this issue, he believes that saucers are merely psychological warfare devices, and are not secret weapons of any kind. Your Editor, on the other hand, has returned to his original feeling that the saucer phenomenon is still a mystery and that the extraterrestrial solution is the most likely one. But we still feel very strongly that there is as yet no proof of extraterrestrial visitations; and our \$1,000 offer - made several years ago - to anyone who can prove that saucers come from other planets, still holds good. A year or so ago, a research organization called APRO claimed to have "physical evidence" of saucers from outer space. If APRO or any other organization or individual really has such proof, we would still like to see it. Until we do, we will hold to our present belief that the saucer mystery is no closer to a genuine solution today than it was in 1947 when Arnold made his famous sighting.

Quite likely, as Mankind moves out into Space in the next few years, the real answer to the mystery will be found. Also, the unknown areas of our own planet, - mainly the dense jungles of Asia and South America, and the polar regions, - will gradually be explored. By process of elimination, Mankind will at least learn more and more about where saucers do not come from; and perhaps before too long, we will find out where they do come from.

Another less important change in our policy is the following: We will no longer attempt to give our readers all the routine type of sightings that come in from our press clipping service. These tend to be repetitious as well as inconclusive. After all these years, most of our readers are probably as tired of reading run-of-the-mill sightings as we are. UFO reports continue to reach our desk at almost as great a rate as ever, but in the future, we will print only the outstanding ones, and we will also print more "Fortean" material than we used to.

PUBLICITY-SEEKING ANTICS BY GRAY BARKER: For the first time in our nine-year history, we are running an article by saucer researcher Gray Barker in this issue. In it he discusses delays regarding the Bender book, and accuses your Editor of habitually making editorial changes in articles submitted to us, so as to distort the meaning of the writer. This, of course, is not true. It is Barker who enjoys "jazzing up" a saucer story, as witnessed by the radical changes he made in Dominick Lucchesi's "contact" yarn, printed in the Nov. 1961 and Jan. 1962 issues of Ray Palmer's "Flying Saucers" Magazine. In a personal interview, Lucchesi has told us that Barker changed his manuscript beyond all recognition! He has promised to supply details, which we will give you in our next issue. Meanwhile, we have tried repeatedly to reach Barker by phone, regarding necessary editing of his article, due to the fact that he does not write well. His secretary in Clarksburg claims that he has dropped out of sight and that she does not know where he is. Has Barker really disappeared, or is this part of the build-up for the Bender book? Time will tell.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

This is just a note to tell you how much I enjoyed your December (1961) issue of SAUCER NEWS. I think that you have always had the most interesting and reliable of the UFO fan magazines and I find the current issue especially interesting.

I also want to commend you on your editorial "Saucers and Fascism" I do not understand the motivation behind these sick people, but undoubtedly there is a great deal of that kind of thing going on. The only hope I can see is that while there are undoubtedly many thousand groups, they are small and fragmented. I believe that they differ too much to get together, - and I hope I am right....

CURTIS FULLER  
Editor, Fate Magazine

I certainly was glad to have you take off on Gariety and the Fascists. My lead article in the Jan.-Feb. Journal of Borderland Research goes into this from the metaphysical or occult side....Frankly, I think your statement that you "do not expect to have anything further to say on the subject of politics" is a forlorn hope. The nation is aroused now, and this issue of extreme right, extreme left, and Democratic-Republican center is infecting every nook and corner of our national existence. Everyone is going to stand up and be counted, no matter who. I found this everywhere I went during my lecture tour last October, and was greatly discouraged by the extreme-rightism of the Bible Belt in the deep South....

RILEY CRABB  
Director, Borderland Sciences Research Associates

Congratulations on coming out against the resurgence of Fascism in America, - a far greater danger than the popular bogeyman, Communism. Fascists always thrive by whipping up hate against other people. What they are does not matter terribly - Jews, Negroes, Commies. All that matters is to have an object of public hatred to draw attention away from their own wicked activities, and to make it appear that support of these activities is actually patriotic. In a sane world, the professed Fascists would be laughed out of court, or put away on remote pleasant islands where they could harm no one but themselves.

...I recently read a pamphlet consisting of a vicious anti-Semitic piece of filth called "The Jewish Plot to Destroy Germany." According to this, the Jews tried to destroy the German race by sterilization in the 1930's, driving poor Hitler & Co. to protect themselves by most reluctantly attacking the horrid cruel Jews who wished to destroy them. I could not resist writing to the editor and telling him that if such were true, my estimation of the Jews had increased a thousand percent, and that if only they'd succeeded, we should have been spared so much savagery and horror not only in the last war but also the menace of today's Germany, which is now our "darling pet" against the "wicked Russians."....

I have sadly and for a long time prophesied that if the present trend continues, we shall see America becoming more and more totalitarian, while Russia becomes more liberal. Within twenty years we may see men fleeing to freedom from the West to the East. For America to lose its very soul in this way would be a world disaster that bears thinking about. Those of us who profess the Principles of Christ should remember that we can only "defeat" our enemy not with arms or violence but by example. The way to overcome the menace of Communism is to set up a standard of living (not necessarily materialistic; we've quite enough of that), that others will seek to copy and emulate. And indeed Russia is quick to copy most of our material advantages. Unfortunately

we are spiritually sick and the light that radiates from us is insufficient to impress the Marxist, dazzled by the religion of Lenin. To overcome them, our light must make the light of Lenin seem like a dark smudge in a way that all men can see....

I am not, of course, turning a blind eye to the cruelties and horror of Stalinism nor the patent fallacies inherent in Marxism (a thing often conveniently forgotten), but we can only conquer the world with our ideas if our society is genuinely more humane and civilized than any other. Not until we have abolished our own "rat race" and grown up into adult human beings can we expect rival ideologies to take us seriously. The same goes for Fascism. Even these thwarted bitter twisted people can only be cured of their illness by people whose spiritual fitness dispels darkness as the morning sun dispels the mists of night. - More power to you in attacking evil.

DESMOND LESLIE  
London, England

I read your very interesting magazine and at last feel that I wasn't promoting Communism by going into saucer research. For awhile I had my doubts, but after reading your article "Saucers and Fascism," I feel better. You are wrong when you say that the John Birch Society is Far Right. They are what every American should be.....Enclosed is some literature to set you straight. After all, it was saucer research that led me to the Right Wing Extremists as you call them. All Americans are Right Wing Extremists, since we have no choice - it's either Communism or Extremists.

WANDA KAGMARGYK, Detroit, Michigan

There has been a noticeable surge of extreme Rightist sentiment in this country. I think this has been caused by the excesses of the Liberals in politics and in the courts.....Among the many defects (of our form of government), these three are the principal ones: (1) The belief that "all men are created equal." (2) The yielding to numerous pressure groups who are out to get theirs, and to hell with the rest of the country. (3) The growing belief that the government must guarantee a comfortable living to us from the cradle to the grave.

I won't go too much into detail in explaining these. Think over the phrase "all men are created equal," and then write and tell me - equal in what? I can think of only one way, and that is at the voting booth, where your vote is worth no more than that of some moron. And since there are far more unintelligent people than intelligent ones, the government caters to the former. - As for (2), the two most powerful pressure groups today are the labor unions and the NAACP.....In our country wages depend only on the bargaining power of the labor unions. They bear no relation to the skill, education, or responsibility of the worker. So it costs as much to have a plumber come to your house for a minor repair as it does to have a doctor come to diagnose some serious ailment; and engineers and scientists get little more than bricklayers and truck drivers....

It is my experience that character is developed in adversity, just as physical strength is developed in overcoming physical obstacles. When our government undertakes to protect the people from all adversities, it makes the people more helpless, so that they demand still more help...This leads to more and more government, ultimately ending in socialism.....The liberals have been driving democracy hard down this road of destruction; the conservatives are trying to slow down this trend, but they know they cannot stop it. The extreme rightists think wrongly that they can stop it....

JUSTIN CASE, Bridgeton, N.J.

Sanderson's article in your December issue is quite interesting, and I am looking forward to Part Two.

I must, however, take exception to your statement regarding "NICAP's a priori attitude in refusing to investigate" the so-called space pancake. It should be noted that the story that NICAP would investigate the pancake was released before said pancake had reached NICAP. And subsequently they did investigate it to the limit allowed by their then shaky finances.... Frankly, if you want to throw brickbats at someone, you'd do far better to toss them at Ray Palmer and his huckster-zine than at Don Keyhoe who has, as far as I can see, done the only really effective job of trying to get the UFO enigma nailed down once and for all. Palmer, on the other hand, is in it only to keep the pot boiling and to make a buck....

Regarding Davidson, I disagree with him entirely. There is nothing in his article that in any way supports his weird jackstraw house of theories.

GEORGE W. EARLEY  
Bloomfield, Connecticut

The March SAUCER NEWS was one of your best yet. Ivan Sanderson is a really talented writer, and Dr. Davidson's article was very thought-provoking indeed. However, Davidson neglected to mention the curious fact that Admiral Hillenkoetter, former head of the super-secret Central Intelligence Agency, is now on the NICAP Board of Governors. Doesn't this prove that NICAP is controlled by the Government in some way?....

IRVING ANDERSON, Los Angeles, California

As director of a leading UFO investigating group, I would like to say that your attacks on Gray Barker are uncalled for and groundless. Mr. Barker has been a top researcher for 15 years, and we are more than proud to have him on our advisory board along with George D. Fawcett.

I quote from one of Mr. Barker's lengthy letters to me: "As to Mr. Moseley, I prefer to just let him hang himself, which he is doing day by day, through his negative articles and acts." From the way you have been acting, I must agree with him....

TIMOTHY GREEN BECKLEY  
Interplanetary News Service  
3 Courtland Street, New Brunswick, N. J.

I was not aware of Barker's beer-drinking habits till reading your March issue, but you are right in calling him to task for his obvious publicity-seeking in regard to the Bender book. Personally, I think Barker loves money more than beer....

CARLOS MENTIRA, New York, N. Y.

I am more convinced than ever that the Soviets have an advanced or at least unconventional type of craft that is generally unknown to the public. ....The interplanetary craft do exist and have been coming to the earth for a long time. In the future, there may be some confusion between extraterrestrial craft and earth-built saucers. This poses quite a problem, as there is continuing secrecy on all phases....

WAYNE S. AHO, Toledo, Ohio

I enjoy your magazine very much, and have been a saucer fan since 1947....I have a world-wide search service for out-of-print books, on any subject, - for serious book collectors only. I am a widow with two children, and need all the business I can get. I specialize in science fiction, metaphysics, and kindred subjects....

MRS. ROBERT G. FORD  
114 South Palmway, Lake Worth, Florida

WHY THE BENDER BOOK HAS BEEN DELAYED

- by Gray Barker -

It may seem strange to see an article by me appearing in this publication - long a severe critic of my work in the field of Ufological research and publishing. But it is indeed time that I dispel certain rumors which have arisen in connection with the delay in publishing the book by Albert K. Bender, "Flying Saucers and the Three Men." There is, for example, the fantastic rumor that Bender doesn't even exist, and the even more ridiculous story that my hair recently turned white overnight. But the most widespread stories are to the effect that the book will never be published, or that it will appear in censored form. Let me assure you that none of this is true.

I am submitting this article to SAUCER NEWS for one very good reason: Mr. Moseley has, ever since the first mention of my publishing this book was made, seemingly tried every effort to cast doubt, dispersions and ridicule upon the project. Since the present unfortunate delay in publishing would certainly provide more ammunition for this negative campaign, I take this opportunity to explain, in my own words, the actual facts behind the delay. In sending this material to SAUCER NEWS, I impose the condition that Moseley print it as is, unedited. I know from his past record that he holds little respect for a writer's real meaning; and I personally have often felt that, by devious editing, he often causes severe damage to the reputations of the sincere researchers who write for him.

Perhaps I overestimate Moseley as an adversary, literary or otherwise; for I must recall and point out that his dreadful and unprovoked attacks upon NICAP failed to meet their sinister ends. In fact, upon reading this specious material, several people who had never supported NICAP contributed money and put that organization once again upon their financial feet, so that now NICAP is marching on toward their goal of open hearings in Congress on UFO.

But to my subject at hand. Publication of Mr. Bender's book has been delayed approximately 30 days from the announced release date. Let me state at the outset that I believe the reasons for this delay should not be construed as anything too far out of the ordinary. To be brief, here are a few things which have caused this postponement:

The insistence of the author that the text of one of his chapters be altered slightly by the addition of further material which would clarify and amplify certain points. This held up typesetting and design of the book.

The disappearance of the book manuscript in transit between two New York offices involved in book production, and the delay occasioned in preparing a carbon copy of same for the typesetters.

Further delays by our book production people, who, I am certain, are having problems of only a routine nature. For instance, the first 50 pages were accidentally set in a slightly different style type than the succeeding pages, making it necessary to do part of the job over again.

However, to one given to more imagination than myself, some of the following incidents probably would be credited to organized interference of some sort. I mention these in passing for what they may be worth, but caution the reader to consider them in an objective manner and not to give them undue importance:

(1) Mr. Bender, the author, did not receive a thousand printed letters from a New York printer, these being lost in transit. The printer duplicated the print job, shipped it by insured parcel post, and Bender was finally, though somewhat late, able to mail these to former members of his International Flying Saucer Bureau.

(2) Twenty thousand Personal News Releases, printed in a Clarksburg

shop, are at this moment lost in transit between this shipping point and a large mailing agency which had contracted the distribution of this by mail.

(3) Delays in a manuscript relating to the Bender story reaching Ray Palmer, and my missing having a column in the March issue of Ray's "Flying Saucers" Magazine.

(4) An illness, very likely psychosomatic, which has slowed down my work in getting the public informed about the forthcoming release of the book. This has been coupled with insomnia and disturbing dreams, - all of this, I repeat, probably caused by my hard work and preoccupation with the book.

(5) Unusual telephone calls, a few of them threatening, and a few of them incomprehensible, which I have tended to link with the forthcoming publication.

(6) Several odd incidents have occurred during my nightly drives to my theatre in a nearby town. On two separate occasions I am certain I was followed very closely by another car for several miles. This happened on two consecutive nights. Because this occurred just after I had enthusiastically told the people who manage my theatre that I was publishing the book by Bender, (before I had publicly announced it), I probably attached undue importance to the incidents. But during the following week, when I had taken a certain party with me to the theatre to talk further to him in regard to a loan to help finance the book project, a black sedan with several forms inside (I could not make out any identities) deliberately tried to force me off the road into the ditch on an isolated stretch of highway. This would have been accomplished had I not been saved by some oncoming traffic which luckily appeared at the right time.

(7) The extraordinary number of visits to my office of people who have UFO experiences to relate to me but who, somehow, seem to be wanting to obtain more information than they are willing to give. One such visitor, with a definite accent and foreign appearance, gave me a card and asked that I telephone him at a local hotel later that evening. When I phoned, no such person was registered there. The card simply bore the name, Boris Stinoski, without any address, affiliation, or anything else.

Knowing my own tendency to feel persecuted by these happenings, I can see how some of the rumors, mentioned at the beginning of this article, could have started.

In closing I would like to state that the Bender book, though delayed by a month, is apparently now on the press and no further delays are anticipated. I shall fight this battle to the end, and nothing short of disaster shall divert either me or Mr. Bender from our determination to bring his information before the peoples of the world.

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EDITORIAL NOTES: The following back issues of SAUCER NEWS are still available: #1; 2; 3; 8 through 11; 13; 17 through 28; and 30 through 47. All are three for \$1.00, except #1 and #27 (the Special Adamski Expose Issue), which sell for \$1.00 each.....Since December, 1955, irregularly-issued Confidential Newsletters have been made available to SAUCER NEWS subscribers who want to be on the inside of the strange and baffling behind-the-scenes events in saucer research. Any subscriber in good standing can be placed on the special Newsletter mailing list for an indefinite period of time, for the price of only one dollar.....In our next issue, we will review "The Challenge of Unidentified Flying Objects," a new book printed privately and written by Richard Hall (Keyhoe's assistant at NICAP) and Prof. C. A. Maney. SEE THE BOTTOM OF PAGE TWENTY FOR ANOTHER IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT ABOUT OUR SEPTEMBER ISSUE!

AN OPEN LETTER TO SAUCER RESEARCHERS - (Part Two)

- by Dr. Leon Davidson -

The CIA scheduled a big upsurge of publicity for saucers in the Spring and Summer of 1952. The public kick-off was the Life article of April 1952, "Have We Visitors from Space?". This article had been under preparation for a year, with help from the Government, according to Ruppelt. The "green lights" or artificial meteors used earlier in New Mexico were developed into a new technique, the "Blue Flash," and this was first tried over Seattle, Wash., in May 1952. (See front page of N.Y. Times for May 12, 1952.) It was then used for the outstanding "blue meteor" of Sept. 12, 1952, over Washington, D. C., and simultaneously over four adjacent states, including Maryland and West Virginia. This incident occurred simultaneously with the Flatwoods, W. Va. "monster" sighting, and in fact, the "meteor" was seen to land near the spot where the "monster" was discovered. This incident, described by Gray Barker in his book "They Knew Too Much About Flying Saucers," was investigated by Barker personally, and publicized by him, and marks his early connection with the CIA-sponsored program of hoodwinking the public.

By Fall of 1952, the CIA had laid out its plans for the "landing" and "contact" stories. The warmup for this had been the fabricated and planted stories about "little green men," such as the famous lecture at the University of Denver in March 1950, described in Scully's book "Behind the Flying Saucers," (page 5). This was a psychological test, and showed that about 50% of college-level people would believe a well-presented story. The Desverges (Florida scoutmaster) landing story in 1952, and the Mayor Linke landing story from Germany in the summer of 1952, were part of the same pattern. These were all planted by the CIA. No actual human contacts were yet reported.

The Tremonton films, made in the summer of 1952, served to convince me that saucers were real, and I suspect that they were shown privately to others besides myself, whom the CIA wanted to convince of the reality of saucers. These films are a clever job of faking. The major sightings of the 1952 "flap" are well known to all saucer researchers. The Nash-Fontenberry sighting over Norfolk, Va., and the Coast Guard photos over Salem, Mass., received much publicity, but the newspaper clippings of that period show hundreds of cases. The editorial pages and editorial cartoons (even the book reviews) of the major newspapers bristled with the subject of flying saucers.

In January 1953 the CIA convened a panel of five top-notch scientists to "study the situation." The result was "pre-conditioned" by the CIA, according to Ruppelt's book and according to detailed letters from Ruppelt in my files. The upshot of this panel's report was to lend credence to the validity and "respectability" of saucers in official Government circles (outside the CIA), although the report was kept secret from the public. Major Keyhoe, during this period, was carefully fed reports (by his "friends" in the Government), to bolster his case that the saucers are interplanetary. His books were best sellers. Likewise, George Adamski, who had been duped into cooperation and participation in late 1949 (to take pictures of saucers "near the moon"), was hoaxed into going to a desert "contact" with a "spaceman" on Nov. 20, 1952. He was then given strong backing by the CIA (he calls them "Space Brothers") in writing and publishing his book "Flying Saucers Have Landed." During the next year he was given the "space flight" hoax, as described in my article in "Flying Saucer Review" (England), Jan.-Feb. 1960 issue.

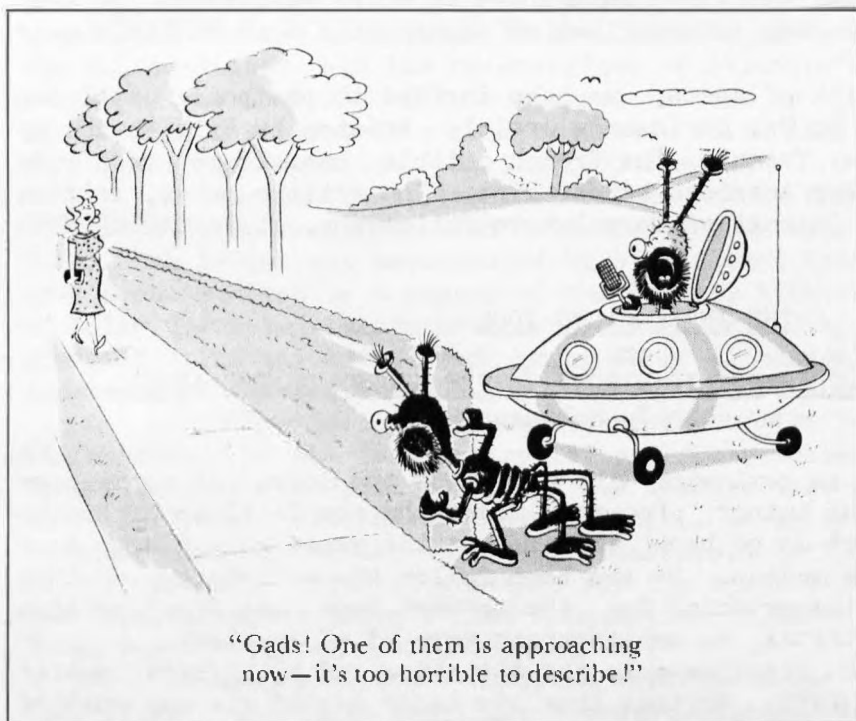
Jim Moseley introduced himself to me in 1954 and we became good friends. He was typical of the young, single, unattached men of mysterious antecedents who became active as saucer publishers during this period. The saucer magazines and saucer clubs spread the stories of the contactees, and

publicized their books. Surprisingly enough, even Moseley, who purported to espouse the "Earth Theory," gave most publicity to the contactee side of the picture.

Dan Fry's experience, although dated back in 1950, was not actually published until 1954. The sequence of the "contact story" buildup seems to have been planned by the CIA as follows:

- (1) "Little Green Men" stories - 1949-1950. No witnesses. (To "soften up" the public and start discussion of "space visitors.")
- (2) Contact by voice radio. Dan Fry, 1950. Also radio contact by Laimon Streeter with Williamson's and McCoy's group in 1952.
- (3) Contact with a human being "from space." Adamski, desert, 1952.
- (4) Contact with English-speaking humans "from space," and flights into "space." Adamski, 1953, at Camp Irwin, California.
- (5) Visits to "other planets." Angelucci, Nelson. (1952, 1954.)
- (6) Publicity for "midgets" contacting the general public, not restricting contacts to the "chosen few" contactees. 1955.
- (7) Publicity for full-size "human space people" contacting earth people. (Howard Menger, the Planetary Center, the California contact clubs, etc.) (1956-1957.)
- (8) Anti-Atom-Bomb propaganda disseminated by saucer clubs, all over the world. (1957.) (This led to the cessation of bomb tests in 1958.)
- (9) Current status of contactee cults: Most of the "saucer club" activity these days is oriented to the belief that "space people" are here on earth; that they are identical to human beings; and that either the human race originally came from other planets or the other planets were originally colonized from Earth; etc., etc. You pays your money and takes your choice. But the fraction of "saucer research" activity that is connected with technical subjects, such as propulsion, etc., is very small or almost nil, these days, and the whole subject of "saucers" now really means "space people." (1958-1962)

.....Although in 1952-1957, after seeing the Tremonton films in a private showing at the Pentagon (which I now realize was arranged by the CIA,



acting through Col. W. A. Adams of Air Force Intelligence), I firmly believed that flying saucers were real objects, I no longer believe this. I had thought that these were "secret U.S. aircraft or missiles," and perhaps that is what the CIA was hoping the intelligence agents of other countries would believe. But all during that period, my friends who worked in other Government agencies kept telling me that we had no such devices. I nevertheless believed that we did, and that it was

the best kept secret of all time.

Firm in that belief, I went through with the publication of thousands of copies of the Air Force Project Blue Book Special Report No. 14, in order to make the "inanity" of the Air Force's denials of saucer reality, clear to all intelligent researchers. In the act of publishing the Bluebook Report, I was unknowingly acting as one of the chief agents of the CIA, helping to spread the belief that saucers were American secret devices (as explained in my editorial remarks in the Bluebook publication.)

The dawn came slowly during 1957, as I looked into the John Otto - Mildred Maier - Major Walker - CIA case, concerning the "code signals" recorded during a "saucer communication experiment." When Jules St. Germaine, a Long John Show affiliate, had these decoded into a teletype cipher message, and when Major Voya Skakich of the U. S. Air Force came to interrogate me about my interest in these, I began to see the light. My articles in various issues of Moseley's SAUCER NEWS during 1957 and 1958 showed the transition in my thinking; and the idea of psychological warfare, being played by the CIA (against whom?), seemed more and more to be the real explanation of the whole saucer riddle. It even became apparent that many saucer magazines were not being written to circulate to their (purported) ordinary "saucer fan" readership, but were really being written and circulated mainly to convey the "saucer activity news" to those on the inside of the research, some of whom could be expected to be enemy agents who were supposed to be believing and extracting the "American secret device" hokum from the stories.

The man I feel sorriest for in all this is Major Keyhoe. He has been ill-used by the CIA, and is still being fed stories to relay to the public. In "Flying Saucers - Top Secret," pages 18-20, he thinks he is telling a story of an actual interplanetary saucer sighting, when it is obvious that the case he describes is a "dress rehearsal" of a psychological warfare gimmick which "simulates" a flying saucer, (to "scare" crews of enemy planes?). The way in which (on pages 19 and 20) the crewmen were interviewed and made to write reports on what they thought they saw, and also shown photographs to match what they had seen, sounds just like what the CIA would do in a "field test" of a new psychological warfare gimmick. It is quite similar to the test made in 1950 on college people, as described on pages 5 and 6 of Scully's saucer book.

(Editor's Note: Due to lack of space, we have decided to postpone until our September issue the reply to Dr. Davidson's article written by British saucer researcher Brinsley le Poer Trench. The Trench article has already been published in at least one other American saucer zine. The article below, written by the co-editor of the Journal of Correlative Philosophy, is a SAUCER NEWS exclusive.)

#### THE THREE-FACED IDOL

or

#### THE IDENTITY OF BROTHER PHILIP HIDDEN IN THE SECRET OF THE ANDES

- by John J. Robinson -

My first task in reviewing "The Secret of the Andes" is to discover the true identity of the author, who wrote under the nom de plume of Brother Philip. Therefore, let us go back in time to the years when George Hunt Williamson claimed to be a medium. We can then follow the activities of this man up to the time that the material for the present book was first written and published for the initiates, as mentioned on page 23 of the book.

Mr. Williamson first came to the attention of the general public during the latter part of 1952. At that time his handy bag of plaster enabled

him to preserve the footprints of George Adamski's Venusian. Later it was Williamson who organized and headed the Telonic Research Center in October, 1955. This center operated out of Prescott, Arizona, which is Williamson's home town. The Telonic quarterly bulletin was issued for a year with accompanying publications of lectures. These lectures sold for the substantial sum of \$6.00 when on tape.

We next find Mr. Williamson associated with a certain John McCoy. These two gentlemen gave lectures in Southern California. An article concerning these lectures appeared in an early edition of The Journal of Correlative Philosophy. Our article in the Journal included the text of a post card which had been sent to Southern California groups that were sponsoring the lectures. The post card reads as follows:

Dear Sirs:

This is to inform you that George Hunt Williamson and John McCoy are not acting under the direction of the Amethystine Brotherhood of the Seven Rays.

Any contribution made to them for proposed trips to Peru, South America, are made on your own and do not have the authority of the Order.

Sincerely yours,  
John I. Norkin, Public Relations, Amethystine Order

In spite of this notice, the lectures were evidently successful, for in January 1957, the Priory of All Saints was established in a northern Peruvian town named Moyobamba. Letters bearing the typed signatures of Charles and Lillian Laughead, for the Priory, were mailed from Hemet, California, to the spiritually interested.

Dr. Laughead is the man who resigned from a position on the staff of Michigan State College Hospital in late 1954, at the request of his chief of staff. His superiors had objected to the doctor spreading his personal religious views among the students, as well as his publicizing them in an open letter sent to all news agencies. The letter predicted catastrophic doomsday events, - knowledge of which had come from one Dorothy Martin, who was allegedly in contact with space people. Mrs. Martin prophesied the inundation of the United States and the re-emergence of Atlantis and Lemuria. Mrs. Lillian Laughead, the doctor's wife, concurred in this by claiming the ability to read the glyphs on Williamson's plaster casts, which also foretold this dire event. (See Barker's "Saucerian," Spring 1955 issue.)

The Laughead letters, or the Priory Letters as they were called, continued to be received, and told of everyday life at the Priory in far-away Peru. Each letter was accompanied by a spiritual transcript, which had supposedly been received by a member of the Priory, either through Trance Mediumship or Voice Channel. Priory Letter #5, dated May 27th, 1957, announced that this group of spiritual adepts was going to be disbanded, to return to the world but not of the World.

Abbey Bulletin #1 was received by the Priory mailing list before their receipt of the last Priory letter. This bulletin was mailed from Corpus Christi, Texas, in April 1957. If its readers were discerning, they could notice the typical Williamson doomsday touch. I say typical, for my readers will remember that the Walter Weir correspondence, in the days before the Adamski Desert Contact, prophesied a date for the space people to remove the favored few from our dying planet. (See "Diagnosis - A Case of Chronic Fright," SAUCER NEWS, August-September 1957 issue.)

The first Abbey Bulletin also gave the information that the mailing address was P. O. Box 1895, Corpus Christi, Texas. It stated that the

Bulletin superseded any and all former information and sources of information from Peru. It also divulged the fact that the Priory and the Abbey would work separately from that time on. The readers were advised to disregard any statements to the contrary, as such statements would come from sources activated by the Anti-Christ.

This Abbey Bulletin also included a list of authorized literature that would be forthcoming shortly. The list included: The Hidden Valley, Home of the Abbey; The Quest of the Red Hand; Magical Plants of South America; and Expeditions to Cities that Time Forgot. The last information that this bulletin gives, directly concerns my investigation of the author of "The Secret of the Andes." I refer to the statement that the former Telonic Research Center members as well as the Recorder of Prophecies from Other Worlds also serve at the Abbey. Here we have a clue not only to the originator of the Bulletin, but also to the identities of those who were involved in it with him.

Mention of a "Recorder of Prophecies from Other Worlds" brings the Laugheads back into the picture. A later issue of Abbey Transcripts, signed by both and giving the address of Box #1, Whipple, Arizona, clinches this fact.

The origin of these Abbey Transcripts, which are so utterly unrelated to the Priory Transcripts, can be found in an earlier book. This book is a mimeographed edition published as "A Book of Transcripts" by the T.O.T.T. Press, Box 1076, Hemet, California. This same address was given as the one to be used in writing to the Priory representative in the U.S.A. The Priory representative's address later changed, when the Abbey literature gave it as Box 1934, Prescott, Arizona. The above-mentioned mimeographed book, which contained the original transcripts, stated that they were voice channel receptions, purportedly from Masters and Mentors of Other Worlds, transcribed during the period of November 5th 1955 to August 22nd 1956. A connection of address and date shows that these messages came from the Laugheads after their move from Michigan. When the Priory disbanded, a new residence was evidently established in Whipple, which, incidentally, is just outside of Prescott, Arizona.

No matter which publication they are in - that of the T.O.T.T. Press, the Abbey Transcripts, or "The Secret of the Andes," the transcript titles remain much the same. We find that Arsmu Muru, Sanat Kumara, the Archangels Uriel, Michael and Gabriel, as well as Philip, Koot Hoomi Lah Singh and Master Hilarion all speak, - while the Scripts of Patmos are usually thrown in for good measure.

Therefore I conclude that the real "Secret of the Andes" is the identity of the progenitors of the present book. The foregoing information will, I hope, clear up this matter as well as give the readers my reasons for believing that the author is H.R.H. Prince Michel d'Obrenovic-Obilic Van Lazar, Duke of Sumadija - better known as George Hunt Williamson, - with unwitting assistance from the good Dr. Laughead and his wife.

As for the book itself, let me summarize my thoughts about the first half, which is the Abbey Letters portion. The author of the text has created an excellent revision which is a well-edited synopsis of the original letters. He has again created his phantasmagoria by borrowing from a book which contains no empirical evidence and which is of unsound scientific premises. In his "Secret Places of the Lion" he used Velikizsky's "Age of Chaos." Now, in "Secret of the Andes" he reiterates some of the hidden knowledge in the Lion's lair, and also borrows from Churchward's books, "The Lost Continent of Mu" and "The Children of Mu."

"The Secret of the Andes" opens with the information that an elevated master, a High Priest named Arama Muru or Lord Muru, arrived in South America 10,000 years ago, just before Lemuria sank. (Note: Churchward writes that Niven's Mexican Tablet #4 proves that the temple which it came from was

under the jurisdiction of Ra Mu, the King High Priest of the Mother-Land, Mu. What a co-incidence!)

I personally do not think much of a king who runs out on his people just before they go down the drain. We are also informed by Williamson that this priest-king brought with him Lemuria's most valuable artifact - the Golden Sun Disc, which was later worshiped at Cuzco by the Incas. A most astounding revelation confides the information that this same disc is at present worshiped by the initiates in a secret underground Monastery chamber.

The Peruvian Government will be overjoyed to learn of this addition to their natural resources, and it should do much to bolster the national treasury. The archaeologists Van Mason and Von Hogen will be crestfallen and other historians will roll over in their graves. All these people wrote about the ancient records regarding the Incas' sun disc. The story they told was that of the Conquistador Sierra de Leguizano, who received it as his part of the spoils of Cuzco. They also related the manner in which de Leguizano gambled it away that same night, an event which is said to have created the Spanish proverb "to gamble away the sun before it rises."

The National Geographic Society will, I am sure, organize an expedition to Lake Titicaca. Pursual of the ancient records alleged to be guarded by Brother Philip in the Scriptorium will give the Society something to examine and write about for ages to come. For we are informed in "Secret of the Andes" that the records he guards are those of Rome, Greece, Egypt, Babylonia, Crete, China, Tibet, and Troy, - not to mention those of Atlantis, Mu, Adoma, and some which are even earlier than that!

E. O. James, the author of "The Ancient Gods," will be forced to revise his views. For he has written that the Ras Shamra texts represent "El" as a shadowy supreme being, a god whose sister-wife was "Anat," the subsequent consort of the Ugaritic "Baal." James must be wrong, for "The Secret of the Andes" informs us that Lord Muru was one of the "El," and that the "El" were members of the Elder Race which arrived here 10 to the 9th power years ago! According to Williamson, they were of the race of Cyclops; but I have always believed that Brontes, Steropes and Arges were the mythological Cyclops, sons of a union between Uranus and Gaea. Larousse's Encyclopedia of Mythology states this, and goes on to explain that they were cast into Tartarus by Uranus, and guarded there by Campe the monster.

The information I received from "Secret of the Andes" about the Mariahuasi Monoliths, the Nasca Lines, the Rock of Writings, and many other details, was enough to shake my sanity for awhile. There was, for example, the quaint statement that a cherimoya is 100% protein. I wrote to the California Fruit Growers Association. They informed me that their cherimoya, though mainly carbohydrate, were very good, and that they doubted the growth of one that might contain much protein.

Therefore, in spite of Williamson's attempt to bring all the Mystery Schools together under his own banner, and even though the Masters and Brothers of Space will supposedly rally round this banner to aid the Remnant after the forthcoming world catastrophe; and even though the Order of the Red Hand manages to preserve the Earth's knowledge, and the Essenes of the Andes or the Remnant may be the only ones preserved from overhead by the Master Powers of the Higher Circles; - in spite of all this, I shall continue to maintain that myths and fables, being what they are, can be more easily digested in the ancient tradition than in the pseudo-modernized Williamson tradition.

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RECENT NEWS STORIES

## COLONEL GLENN SIGHTS UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECTS WHILE IN ORBIT:

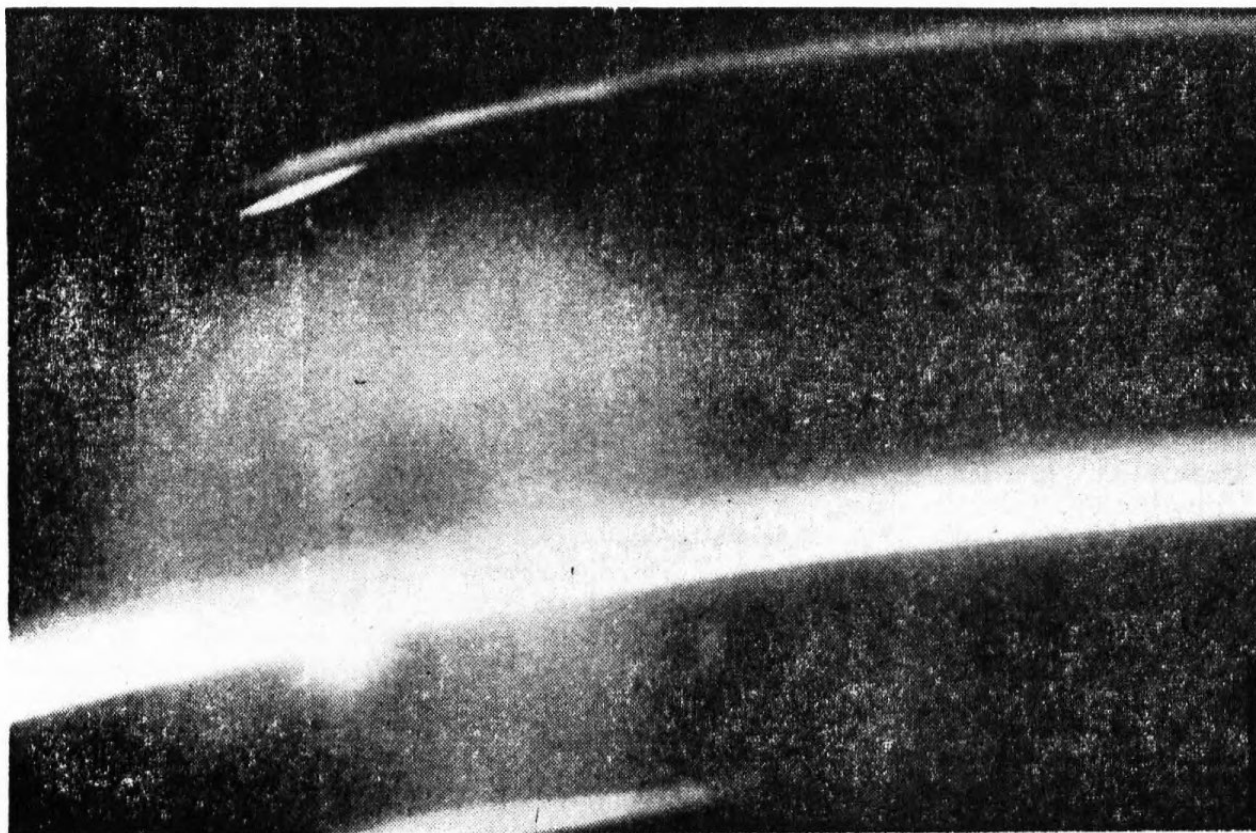
On his history-making trip through space last February 20th, Col. John Glenn saw a great number of small glowing objects which have been described loosely as "fireflies." Here is the story in Glenn's own words:

"At the first light of sunrise - the first sunrise I came to, I was still facing back toward the direction which I had come from with normal orbit altitude, and just as the first rays of the sun came up onto the capsule, I glanced back down inside to check something, and when I glanced back out, my initial reaction was that I was looking into a star field...These little things that I thought (at first) to be stars were actually a bright bluish green, about the size and intensity of a firefly on a really dark night. These little particles were about 6 to 10 feet apart, and there were literally thousands of them. As far as I could look off to each side I could see them, and I could also see them back along the path. Later on I turned around so that I was facing the direction from which they appeared to be coming; and although, in that direction, toward the bright sunlight of the dawn most of them disappeared, you still could see a few of them coming toward the capsule. I was moving very slowly through this field. I estimated that my velocity through the field was some 3 to 5 miles per hour. The particles did not seem to be emanating from the capsule. They appeared to have an even distribution on each side of the capsule....I saw them for a period of  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to 4 minutes....They varied in size from about pinhead size to about three-eighths of an inch in diameter....I observed them on all three orbits, for about the same length of time at each sunrise...."

What did Glenn actually see? Several theories have been considered, but none have been proven. The "fireflies" could not likely be the controversial copper needles sent into space by the United States some time ago. These are now known to be in a different orbit, and are bunched up in five or six useless clumps, i. e., the experiment was a failure. It has been suggested that Col. Glenn saw "spots before his eyes," caused by coming into the bright dawn suddenly out of the darkness. This is an absurd notion, in our opinion; Certainly, in his three years of intensive psychological, physical and mental training, Glenn was taught to distinguish between physical objects and visual illusions. The most likely theory advanced to date is that the astronaut saw frozen droplets ejected into the frigidity of space from a cooling device on his spacecraft. Yet, even this explanation does not suffice. During a visit to the Pentagon last March, we were told that the objects, some of which were as large as an inch in size, still have not been identified.

Naturally, the crackpots have gotten into the act. A fanatical Adamski supporter, who shall remain nameless here, has issued a "press release" claiming that John Glenn's "fireflies" confirm George Adamski's absurd claims made in his book "Inside the Space Ships," published in 1955. In that book Adamski described saucer flights he made while conversing philosophically with attractive interplanetary men and women. Most of his statements about outer space have been proven wrong, but in one passage he did use the word "fireflies" to describe a phenomenon he alleges to have seen. I think, however, that Col. Glenn's claim to be the first American into outer space is not in any serious danger!

Another very interesting phenomenon from the Glenn flight is shown in the photo at the top of the next page. This picture, taken from the Los Angeles Times of February 22nd, bears the following caption: "Mystery streaks: Unexplained streaks, apparently of light, appear on picture taken by John Glenn with hand-held camera as he whirled through space...."



WEIRD FORTEAN EVENTS PLAGUE ENGLISH WOMAN: In our December 1961 issue we carried a short item about Mrs. Mary Were, a British housewife whose food was mysteriously covered by a red fungus. Since then, through the courtesy of our Associate Editor Gladys Fusaro, we have received several more newspaper stories about the Were case. Most interesting of all, however, is a personal letter written by Mrs. Were to Raymond Nelke, who is one of Gladys Fusaro's many correspondents. We quote the letter in part:

"I apologize for the long delay in replying to your letter inquiring about the red fungus that appeared on food in my home. In the intervening period since you wrote, events have moved rapidly, and a practically continuous investigation has been going on regarding this and other odd happenings which appear to have a similar origin....

"My daughter-in-law discovered the red fungus on cold caper sauce left over from the previous evening's meal, on September 6th (1961), and she asked me if I had 'spilled anything red in the larder.' I was puzzled. The sauce looked as though it had been sprinkled with crimson powder. Close examination showed that this 'powder' was, in fact, minute nodules of moisture, and in a matter of hours it grew and spread into blotches; and overnight it liquified, as though the food had had blood and raspberry juice poured over it. There developed with this process a terrible smell of utter decay unlike anything I can describe. We threw the food into the refuse bin, but the next day we discovered the red color again on food freshly bought and cooked on the previous day. By the weekend, it had become impossible, and none of our friends, neighbors, or relatives had seen anything like it; so I called in the local Public Health authorities. They inspected the house thoroughly, including the drains, and announced that they were satisfied that all was clean and entirely satisfactory from a sanitary point of view, and they took away samples of the red fungus for analysis. They told us not to use the larder.

Thereafter, we put the food in the kitchen and cloakroom, but it again turned red! We put it in the living room, and even in the upstairs rooms, and in fact everywhere in the house we could think of, but the same thing happened. By this time the public refuse tub a mile and a half away had been emptied, but no one else got it. We also put some red mold on the compost heap at the bottom of our garden, and the whole heap turned red, but no one else got it, even though this was obviously a form of bacteria which spread and was air borne, and was prone to spread rapidly.

"Meanwhile, bacteriologists, botanists, and scientists of all sorts came here, but none could recall having seen anything like it....Finally, it was identified as the rare bacillus prodigious. We were told it was mentioned in the Bible in the first Plague of Egypt, in Chapter Seven of Exodus: 'And the river and sea turned red and stank.' Also, the same thing appeared on the bread of the soldiers of Alexander the Great before the Battle of Tyre, and it has appeared at rare intervals since then...Neighbors stand in awe, because it has not affected any house but ours. It has appeared on a picture of Christ in our home, and this, too, was witnessed by many authoritative people....

"In 1947-1950, before we moved to the modern house we occupy now, we lived in an old derelict mansion called Misbourne House, which was haunted. Many times, all of us living there saw a head without a body. It was a striking face, distinguished, and smiling, and quite benign in appearance. At about the same time that the red fungus appeared in my present home, a poltergeist became evident in the mansion we used to live in, which has now been modernized and turned into apartments. Bricks and masonry are being hurled about there, and workmen refuse to work on a certain part of the estate, and tenants are leaving. This has led to a public inquiry, and it has now been established that the house was at one time the residence of King Charles the First, who later made it a residence of Col. Heywood. Heywood later betrayed the King, worked against him, and eventually signed the warrant for King Charles' execution. The head I saw has been clearly proven to be that of Charles the First. It has also been established that history has evidence that the head was seen centuries ago in the same spot I saw it recently....The television people came to my home last week and made a documentary about all these happenings, as part of an hour-length film.....Whether there is any connection between the ghost of a king and the red stuff, I do not know.....I have a reputation for being a sincere and level-headed housewife and person. I have two sons, aged 29 and 31. Though I do not understand why all this should happen to me, I do not question it and am no longer afraid...."

All these statements are confirmed by the numerous newspaper accounts in our possession. At last report, the mysterious red fungus was still in action.

SAUCER NEWS EDITOR DISCUSSES LATEST "FACT SHEET" AT PENTAGON INTERVIEW: In early March your Editor made one of his periodic visits to the Pentagon in Washington, D. C., and had lunch with Major Robert Hart, who has recently replaced Major William Coleman as the Air Force spokesman on UFO's. Hart is the third officer to take charge of the saucer project in a period of little more than six months. Saucer fans will remember that the spokesman preceding Coleman was Lt. Col. Lawrence J. Tacker, author of "Flying Saucers and the U. S. Air Force."

At the top of the list of topics discussed was the February 6th, 1962 "fact sheet," which gives a 15-year summary of the Air Force's saucer investigation. According to the figures therein, 7,369 UFO sightings were investigated in the years 1947-1961. During the period 1947-1952, 20% of the sightings could not be identified, and remained classified as "unknowns." During

1953-1954 the unknowns dropped to 9%, and during 1955-1961 they decreased to less than 2%, according to the Air Force. It is interesting to note that even though it is generally thought that flying saucers are "dying out," there were nearly as many sightings reported to the Air Force in 1961 as in 1960. Furthermore, the 1961 figure (488 cases) is exceeded only by the figures for 1960 (514 cases), 1958 (590 cases), 1956 (778 cases), and the peak years of 1952 and 1957, with 1,501 and 1,178 cases respectively. Thus it can be seen that in spite of the gradual decrease in newspaper publicity, saucers are not dying out at all.

Our press clipping service has sent (at great expense to us) over a hundred newspaper accounts from all over the United States, summarizing the above-mentioned fact sheet. In these, we noted a curious phenomenon that has occurred many times in the past - what we call "canned editorials." Dozens of papers ran identical editorials (not news stories) about the Air Force release. All of these were, of course, negative in nature. Another strange thing is that many newspapers assumed that the Government is now ending its saucer investigation, although the Air Force press release says nothing of the sort. On the contrary, the last line of the fact sheet states: "Anyone witnessing an unidentified flying object should report it to the nearest military base as soon as possible." (Italics ours.)

The fact sheet also states: "The Air Force does not deny that animal life exists on other planets in the universe." (How they know this is not clear! - Editor.) "However, there has been no evidence submitted to or discovered by the Air Force that proves or tends to prove such a contention. The Air Force continues to extend an open invitation to any individual or group which feels they possess evidence that would prove or tend to prove the existence of extraterrestrial vehicles operating within the earth's nearspace envelope, to submit their evidence for analysis...."

This brings us directly to the problem of NICAP. Major Hart showed us a carbon copy of a letter he recently sent to Major Donald Keyhoe. In this letter, the Air Force offers to analyze all of NICAP's best cases, at the Government's expense, and to send NICAP the conclusions on each individual case, and the method by which these conclusions were reached, except in such cases in which there would be a violation of Security in revealing the method by which the conclusion was reached. In a phone conversation with your Editor, Richard Hall (Keyhoe's assistant at NICAP) stated that their organization will turn down this offer!

Another topic we discussed with Major Hart was the question of Congressional hearings on UFO's. There does exist a Congressional subcommittee called the Subcommittee on Space Problems and Life Sciences. It is headed by Representative Karth of Minnesota. However, there is no evidence that either closed or open hearings on flying saucers will be held at any time in the foreseeable future. Indeed, to me it seems only logical to assume that open hearings on UFO's will never be held, because, in the words of Major Coleman (in a phone interview with us some time ago), such hearings "would not lend themselves to the dignity of the Congress." Those readers who are angered at the Air Force or at SAUCER NEWS for pointing out this fact, should keep in mind the consequences of holding open hearings on a topic which so easily lends itself to ridicule. Open hearings would probably mean that all leading spokesmen in the UFO field would have to be given a chance to present their evidence - not just Major Keyhoe. This would mean, for example, that Adamski would have the opportunity to amuse the Congressmen with his accounts of rides in spaceships. The whole thing would be a great boon to saucer periodicals such as ours, but it would be a three-ring circus which the Government can be excused for trying to avoid.

Finally, Major Hart told us that the Air Force plans to release, within the next few months, a summary of their twelve most baffling unsolved cases since 1947. This is something we are looking forward to with interest!

THE MYSTIC BARBER'S "DOOMSDAY" DEMONSTRATION: Last Feb. 4th your Editor met Andy Sinatra in front of the U. N. Building in New York, and photographed his antics there. Saucer fans will recall that many astrologers had predicted dire disasters for the Earth during the conjunction of several planets which occurred at that time. Though there was the usual quota of disasters here and there around the world all winter, none of them seem to tie in with the Feb. 4th predictions. - In the two upper photos below, we behold the Mystic Barber in his seer's outfit. He is surrounded by his "invisible army of Martians." The Martian warning was that if the peoples of the World do not unite within 90 days, "terrible destructive forces" will be unleashed, possibly leading to the toppling over of the U. N. Building itself. - At the lower left, we see the crowd of amused tourists who gathered around the Barber; and at the lower right, Andy's follower, named Steve Taffare, holds a Bible while Andy invokes his mystic powers.



NEWS BRIEFS: In Bessemer, Alabama, a UFO was seen by several people in the early evening of February 14th, and according to one report, it dropped a red molten substance which set fire to a grocery store....According to the Long Island (N.Y.) Press of March 18th, the Soviet Union recently tried unsuccessfully to orbit the moon with a two-man spaceship. The round trip was supposed to take five days. However, something went wrong, and the two "lunauts" sailed into outer space and certain death. This brings to at least 12 the total of Russians lost in unsuccessful and unpublicized space flights.... A routine saucer sighting from Dawson, Iowa, dated March 11th, has one unusual feature: A large yellow ball of fire hovered in the sky for about a half hour, and was seen by one observer to have on it the white face of a clock, with black hands pointing to twenty minutes to nine. The numbers on the clock were all completely visible...According to the magazine "Interplanetary," (published in Seattle), a jet pilot was killed near Alvin, Texas, on January 12th, after chasing a UFO over the Gulf of Mexico. He had taken off from Ellington Air Force Base, where radar screens had picked up the UFO approaching the Texas coast near Galveston. His plane crashed later, as he came in for what should have been a routine landing.

STRANGEST SEA MONSTER OF ALL: Several recent news stories have given details concerning a circular five-ton carcass found on a remote beach on the west coast of Tasmania. The monster was first discovered almost two years ago, but did not receive any attention at that time. The creature has no eyes, no clearly defined head, and no bone structure. Its creamy, rubbery flesh is several inches thick and is covered with woolly hair up to two inches long. Strangely enough, the part of the animal which is buried in the sand is rotting, whereas the part exposed to the air is not. The carcass is 20 feet long and 18 feet wide. A member of a scientific team sent to study the monster said: "I don't know what it is. It may be an amazing relic of life as it was lived vast ages ago." Later the monster was identified, just a little too quickly, as nothing more than whale blubber.

SAUCER BRIEFS: The newest saucer zine in England is "Space Review," edited by Susanne Stebbing, at 2 Station Road, Frimley, Nr. Aldershot, Hants., England. It is a conservative sort of magazine, oriented to science and astronomy, and sells for \$1.00 per four issues....Your Editor has written an article entitled "The Universe and John M. Cage," which is to appear in Fate Magazine shortly, - probably in the July issue....We have suggested to Norbert Gariety, editor of "S.P.A.C.E.," that he reserve his political views for a separate magazine retaining the same initials in the title. He could call it "Super-Patriotic Anti-Communist Extremists."....Britain's Air Chief Marshall Lord Dowding, who seems to believe in just about everything (saucers, fairies, spiritualism, etc.) told the House of Lords recently that his fellow peers should rid their homes of rats and mice by "talking to them." He said that with a little understanding it is possible to communicate with rodents and even insects. Lord Bathurst, replying for the Government, stated that whereas some people do possess extraordinary powers over animals, he feared Dowding's plan might "push all the rats on some other unfortunate individual." (It is easy to see why some Englishmen feel that the House of Lords should be abolished! - Editor.)....We find that our files contain nearly complete collections of the publications of more than 25 major saucer organizations which have gone out of business during the 9 years that SAUCER NEWS has been published.

FORTEAN ITEMS: A strange event with political overtones occurred in Linden, New Jersey on March 23rd, when ghoulish vandals toppled over 1,500

tombstones in one night. The owner of this non-sectarian cemetery estimated the damage at \$75,000, and stated that "it must have taken an army of men or a superman to knock over all those stones." Row after row of granite tombstones, some six feet high and weighing a ton, were knocked over. A mysterious man visited the cemetery the day before the vandalism, and that evening someone calling himself "Lt. Schaefer" phoned a local newspaper about the incident. "Lt. Schaefer" claims to belong to the "American Republican Army," identified as an extremist right-wing group.....Typical poltergeist phenomena have been occurring in the 125-year-old home of the Lincoln family in Jackson, Michigan, for the past several months. Ghostly footsteps are heard, bottles fly at odd moments, dishes slide off tables and break, paring knives are hurled, and doors slam all by themselves. An organ plays "Rock of Ages" though there is no organ in the house, and sometimes bagpipes are heard. The house is up for sale.....In Smithtown, Long Island, a piece of ice 35 inches long and weighing close to 20 pounds, fell less than 30 feet from Adam Demling, a home owner who was puttering in his garden at the time. The ice partially buried itself in the ground, and there was little doubt that it actually fell from the sky. Several neighbors heard the crash. No one saw or heard a plane overhead at the time of the incident....

In Indianapolis, Indiana, a family abandoned its home on March 14th to spookish forces which had been smashing up glass and china for the previous three days. Also, strange puncture wounds appeared on the skin of Mrs. Renate Beck and her 13-year-old daughter, who were the residents of the house. Emil Nosedo, a family friend, stated that a policeman was present one night when a half-gallon milk bottle lying on its side on the kitchen sink flew across the room and struck Mrs. Beck's mother on the head.....A Russian scientific team claims to have seen a 30-foot monster swimming in Laba Kul, a lake on a remote plateau in eastern Siberia. The description given is similar to that of the famous Loch Ness Monster.....In Abernethy, Scotland, Government archaeologists found centuries-old skeletons in the foundations of the town's clock tower. Residents claim that since this discovery, the old clock has been wound regularly by some unknown power. The only key to the clock and the tower is in the possession of a town official who says he does not know who is doing the winding...Speaking of ghosts,- even the late Carl Jung, world-famous psychologist, believed in them. In one of his books he reported having seen, while trying to sleep in a haunted house, the head of a woman lying about sixteen inches away from his on the pillow. (Maybe it was only wishful thinking! - Editor.)

SAUCER NEWS EDITOR VISITS WRIGHT-PATTERSON FIELD: Just before press time, your Editor became the first civilian saucer researcher to be given permission to visit the Air Force's saucer investigation center at Wright-Patterson Field, near Dayton, Ohio. We spent almost an entire day interviewing Lt. Col. Robert J. Friend, the officer currently in charge of the UFO project. Some extremely interesting information was obtained - concerning the number of saucer reports received by the Air Force; the official explanation of Joe Sinton's "space pancake" episode; researchers' claims to have been "hushed up" by the Government; "physical evidence" submitted by saucer sighters; and a host of other topics. Our next issue of SAUCER NEWS will contain this exclusive story in detail, with pictures! This is one issue we guarantee you that you won't want to miss!

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