

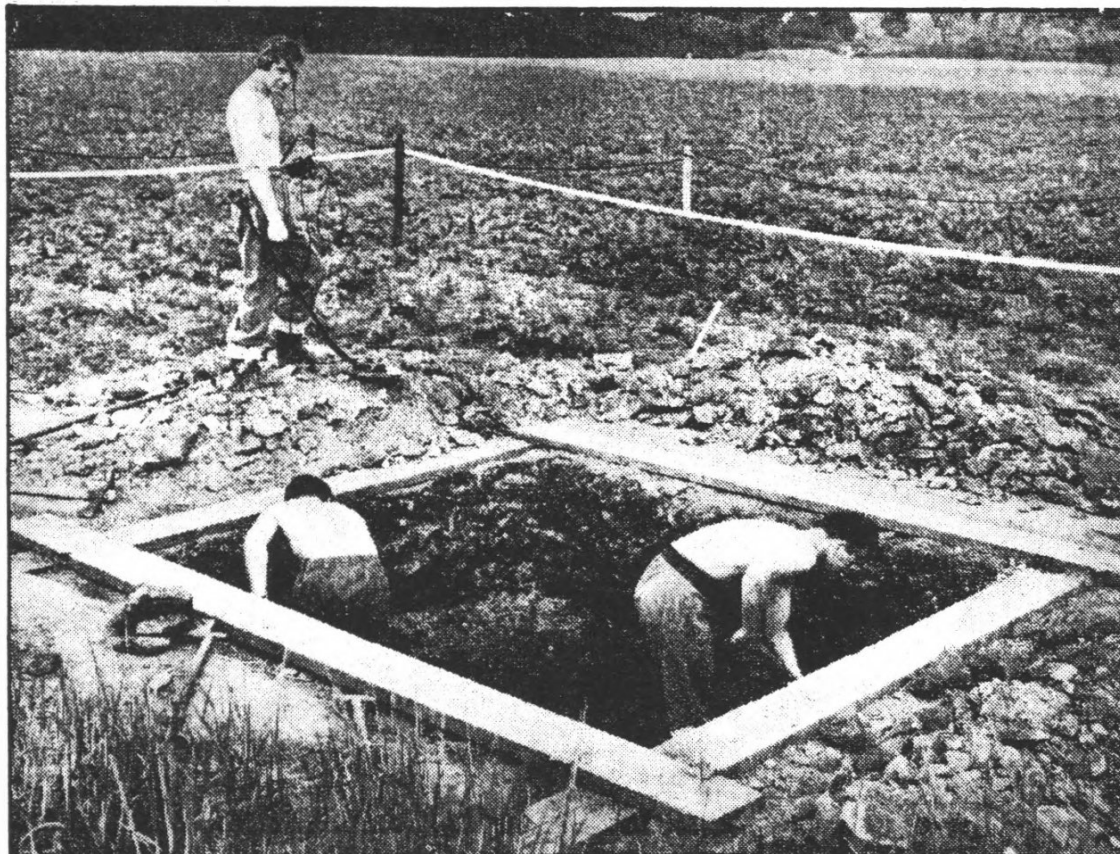
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IN THE ABOVE PHOTO, a British soldier with a mine detector stands by as members of an Army bomb disposal team sink a shaft around a mysterious crater discovered in a field at Charlton, Wiltshire, England. See story on Page 18.

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EDITORIAL NOTES

THE EDITOR AND HIS WIFE WISH TO ANNOUNCE the arrival of their first child - Elizabeth Barber Moseley, a 7 pound 5 ounce baby girl, born to Sandra Moseley in Englewood Hospital on October 6th, 1963.

The delivery was routine, in spite of a Voodoo doll sent to us some time ago by saucer researcher Richard Ogden of Seattle, Washington. The package containing the doll gave George Adamski's name as the sender; and a letter from Ogden received a few weeks later, explained that it was sent "to curse our unborn child." However, we never believed that Adamski was the responsible party. Mr. Ogden has finally confessed to this and other hoaxes in a letter to the Editor printed on Pages 5-6 of this issue.

A second Voodoo doll, sent more recently by a neurotic subscriber in Chicago (name known to us and the postal authorities), also failed to have any adverse effect on the birth of the baby.

MORE MONTHLY MEETINGS OF OUR DISCUSSION AND LECTURE COMMITTEE: Since April of 1962, the Discussion and Lecture Committee of SAUCER NEWS has held open meetings in New York City on the third Friday of every month. We urge all subscribers in the New York area to send us their name and address for the special Lecture Committee mailing list, so that they may receive notices a few days before each meeting. Our lectures are currently held at 108 West 56th St. (top floor), New York, N. Y. Starting time is 8:30 p.m.

In August our guest speaker was Gray Barker, who appeared with your Editor on the Long John radio program in the wee morning hours of August 16th, and spoke for our group that same evening. Because of the Long John publicity, the hall was packed to overflowing, and people had to be turned away.

On Friday, September 20th, our guest was Stewart Robb, who is a noted researcher into Fortean phenomena, and a "regular" on the Long John Show. A full house was obtained through Long John publicity, plus the fact that your Editor went on Dr. Eden Gray's radio program the previous Tuesday, to "plug" the lecture. (Dr. Gray is the proprietor of Inspiration House, a New Age type bookstore located at 129 West 56th St., and she has a program every weekday from 12:15 to 1:00 p. m. on FM station WNCN in New York.) Stewart Robb's topic was the prophecies of Nostradamus, the famous 16th Century seer. There was general agreement that Mr. Robb's lecture was the best that our Committee had presented up until that time.

On Friday, October 18th, Gordon Evans gave a lecture for us entitled "The Case for Mars." More details about this will appear in our March 1964 issue.

In late August, the Discussion and Lecture Committee was reorganized in hopes of serving its members better. James W. Moseley became Chairman; John J. Robinson was made Treasurer and also Chairman of the Subcommittee on Discussions; Eugene Steinberg was made Assistant Chairman; and Sol Lipsky accepted the position of Assistant Chairman of the Subcommittee on Discussions. Mary Robinson remains as Secretary. The success of the September and October meetings was due to the combined efforts of all the above-mentioned people, plus Gary Oxton, who also gave valuable assistance.

ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, LONG JOHN NEBEL WILL BE OUR GUEST! FOR THIS TIME ONLY, OUR LECTURE WILL BE HELD IN THE PALM ROOM OF THE HOTEL DIPLOMAT, LOCATED AT 108 WEST 43rd ST. - ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20th, THE WORLD-FAMOUS NATURALIST AND AUTHOR IVAN SANDERSON WILL BE WITH US, AT OUR USUAL LOCATION. THESE ARE TWO EVENTS THAT YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS!

WE HAVE HAD TO WITHDRAW NEWSLETTER PRIVILEGES from a few of the people on our Special Non-Scheduled Newsletter mailing list. These Newsletters are sent only to SAUCER NEWS subscribers in good standing who request to be on

the list, and who pay \$1.00 extra to cover printing costs. The information in the Newsletters is not intended for general circulation, and no permission is given to any Newsletter subscriber to broadcast or reprint this material.

Our most recent Non-Scheduled Newsletter is #18. It concerns an alleged spaceman who is traveling around the United States, and a visit to SAUCER NEWS Headquarters by two representatives of a governmental agency. If you would like to receive this and other recent Newsletters, send us your name and address immediately, together with one dollar. We will either send you the three most recent Newsletters by return first-class mail, or else, if you fail to qualify, we will send back your money by first-class mail.

EUGENE R. STEINBERG has joined the SAUCER NEWS Staff as Advertising Manager. An article by Mr. Steinberg appears on Page 13 of this issue, and an ad for his own magazine and UFO organization appears on Page 23.

OUR ONE THOUSAND DOLLAR OFFER, originally made in the December-January 1955-56 issue of SAUCER NEWS, is now being withdrawn. This offer was made to anyone who could come forth with concrete proof that flying saucers originate from another planet. In all the intervening years, not one person has offered any serious evidence in an attempt to claim the reward.

We now believe that saucers do come from another planet, in all probability. However, we also feel that the \$1,000 reward is now unnecessary.

ADVERTISING RATES: Due to our increased circulation (slightly under 4,000), our current advertising rates are as follows: 50 cents per line; \$10.00 per half page; and \$17.50 per page. Ads for the March 1964 issue should reach us not later than January 10th.

Our acceptance of paid advertisements is only an attempt to "balance the budget" here at SAUCER NEWS, and the appearance of an ad in our magazine does not necessarily imply that the Editor or his Staff endorses the viewpoints, etc., expressed therein.

THIS ISSUE OF SAUCER NEWS is being sent out ahead of schedule, in order to avoid the Christmas rush. May we take this opportunity to wish all our subscribers a Merry Christmas; and may we also suggest that a SAUCER NEWS subscription might make a welcome Christmas present to one or more of your friends who are Ufologically inclined.

OUR NEXT ISSUE WILL INCLUDE a review of the new book by Dr. Donald H. Menzel, entitled "The World of Flying Saucers." This review was originally intended for the current issue, but had to be postponed because of lack of space. Also in the March 1964 issue will be a long feature article about a fleet of flying saucers seen over downtown New York City in the year 1937.

If we do not obtain more renewals than we have been getting in the recent past, we will have to cut down the number of pages in the March issue, for financial reasons. But in any case, this book review and article will definitely appear, and if space permits, we will have several other feature articles for you.

ALL BACK ISSUES OF SAUCER NEWS ARE STILL AVAILABLE, EXCEPT: #4-#7; #10-#16; #27; #29; and #48. The 39 available back issues sell for 35¢ each, or 3 for \$1.00. A special price of \$10.00 will be given to subscribers who order all the 39 back issues which are currently available. Send for our free list.

We are thinking of reprinting the 14 back issues which are now out of print. Our cost would be very high, and we would have to charge 75¢ each for them. If interested in this offer, let us know. We will undertake this expensive reprinting job only if enough subscribers show interest!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I am so pleased with SAUCER NEWS, and so happy to know that I can look forward to it regularly every three months. It contains such interesting stories. I read them over and over again. I'll be looking forward to getting your Non-Scheduled Newsletters. Thanks to all of you at SAUCER NEWS for giving us such priceless and interesting reading.

MRS. MILTON W. MONROE, Downey, California

I received the September issue of SAUCER NEWS, and when I read John J. Robinson's article, trying to tear down George Hunt Williamson, I saw red! It is not unusual, though, for one of lesser understanding of spiritual truths to try to tear down someone who has a greater understanding; and if Williamson had not had a great deal of wisdom, knowledge, and understanding of things spiritual, he could never have written such a book as "Other Tongues, Other Flesh." The kind of understanding he has was not found in any book, for this kind of "knowing" is not transferable from one individual to another, but is something that is born in a person; and when he knows something, he really knows, because he has the witness of the Holy Spirit within him. This is something that John J. Robinson would not comprehend....

EVA MAHLE, Connersville, Indiana

In regard to George Hunt Williamson, it does not matter whether he is a doctor or not, as his contributions to UFO research are of such importance that he is far ahead of all the institutions which try to belittle him....

E. L. BRASOL, Daytona Beach, Florida

Congratulations to John J. Robinson, author of the article "George Hunt Williamson Re-Visited." This is an excellent expose of Williamson and also Fry. This, by the way, exposes George Adamski again, and for the nth time, for the simple reason that Adamski relied so much on "Doctor" Williamson for his rehearsed "contact" in the desert between himself and the Christ-like Venusian.....Your magazine is outstanding for its exposes. Let's have more of them. We've got to clear the Ufological atmosphere of nonsense before the scientists as a group take us seriously....

REV. GUY J. CYR, S.M., Lawrence, Massachusetts

My hearty congratulations to John J. Robinson for the painstaking and exhaustive research he did on Williamson. Mrs. Moseley's character sketch of you was pure delight, and your article on Ed Leedskalnin and his Coral Castle was interesting although rather non-Ufological. If nothing else, though, it would seem to lay to rest the elaborate theories on how the Great Pyramid, Sacsahuaman, etc., were built by saucer-men....

DAVID HALPERIN, Levittown, Pennsylvania

Your SAUCER NEWS is interesting, and it has a nice appearance. I especially enjoyed the article on Coral Castle. It was wise that Edward Leedskalnin did not reveal his secret. In these days of lowered morals and corrupt politics, the knowledge would have been misused....

MRS. M. F. CROCKER, Compton, California

Your wife adds a pleasant "light touch" to your magazine, which certainly increases its readability. What is to be feared about the saucer-zines is not what they publish so much as that they continue to publish. Hopefully, all of them are striving for better content based upon clear thinking and an understanding of the nature of the UFO problem. But it is imperative that the Great Saucer Dialogue continue, and SAUCER NEWS continues to be one

of the leaders in this regard....

TOM COMELLA, Cleveland, Ohio

May I pause here to commend you for opening up SAUCER NEWS to the more descriptive talents of the distaff side? I refer to your wife Sandy and her articles, particularly her adroit appraisal of the breadwinner....

The illness of your wife, along with the hapless expedition to the New Mexico cave, were neither accidental nor coincidental. No doubt you have drawn the same conclusion yourself, as evidenced by the underlining of words in the September SAUCER NEWS. I am further intrigued by your statement, "This, plus a number of other occurrences which were probably unrelated to Sandy's illness or the expedition," etc. How can you be sure that these occurrences are "unrelated"?.... ADEN R. MAJOR, Dracut, Massachusetts

Sorry to see you advertising Donald Menzel's book "The World of Flying Saucers." He tries to debunk everything, and according to Palmer and others, he is the official hired debunker for the Silence Group, including the Air Force. Remember, Menzel tried to debunk the 1957 saucer flap and the Lubbock, Texas, lights. There are many saucers seen in the area where I live, and they can be seen by anyone who cares to look. So I don't go for Menzel's debunking tactics.... JOHN UNDERHILL, Trenton, Nebraska

(Editor's Note: Our acceptance of a paid ad from Doubleday for the Menzel book did not imply any endorsement of the book by SAUCER NEWS. On the contrary, the Editors feel that Menzel has completely failed to make a valid case.)

My sincere thanks to you for your kindness in forwarding to me a copy of the June 1963 issue of your magazine, containing a review of my book, "UFO Warning." After reading this review I felt that there was one rather important point which needed some clarification from me. This is in regard to the statement: "Just what his wife may have thought about this research is not clear, as she is barely mentioned in the book."

When I wrote "UFO Warning," I was more concerned with UFO's than with the individual thoughts of those not connected with the actual research into the bizarre happenings. Although my wife Mary listened patiently to my accounts of my investigations into the saucers, she never took part in the work I undertook with Barbara, nor did she ever make any objection to the two of us working together. This was brought about by the fact that Mary was too busy with her Lodge matters. At the same time, she had a feeling of trust in me as her husband, and therefore saw nothing unusual in my spending a number of hours with a young lady while studying UFO matters.

"UFO Warning" is a book about UFO matters, and not a book of morals, misguided or otherwise; and had I felt differently I would never have arranged for it to be published.

JOHN STUART, Claudelands, Hamilton, New Zealand

I admit to being a frustrated writer and a hater of publishers. As a result of the mere fact that you were a publisher, you were someone I could give a bad time to, and somehow make up for what other publishers have done to me in rejecting my writings....I desired to get revenge and make a fool out of some publisher, - any publisher. This is why I sent you the letter signed Mr. X and then tried to confuse you into believing Tom Comella wrote it. (See Non-Scheduled Newsletter #14.) This act was followed by a series of things, which you rightfully accused me of in the pages of SAUCER NEWS, with the exception of the Straith Letter, which I did not write....

I admit that I was deeply hurt by Mr. Adamski when I finally was able to publish my book defending him and he would not endorse it. In fact, he

claimed he didn't write the introduction after he did! It also made me angry when he did not defend me while in New York, in the debate between him and you on the Long John radio program. My love for Adamski turned to hate and a desire for revenge against him for playing me for a sucker. The result was the Voodoo doll I sent you. I admit finding out that Adamski is a fake, but I felt compelled to go on defending him because of the time spent on the book and my hope of making money from it. You have always been right about Adamski, just as you have been right about me....

I also admit that your saucer magazine is one of the best and that you are one of the most sincere researchers in the field. The reason for this confession is that it wasn't the Silence Group or the publishers that beat me, but the saucer public! The sales of my books have been extremely poor, and the few copies released were released at a great financial loss...Ufology Publications is a failure and is going out of business....

I am sorry that I frustrated your own attempts to arrive at truth, in my own frustration in trying to find the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. I found the pot, but, do you know something, Jim? There is no gold in it. I have been robbed! RICHARD OGDEN, Seattle, Washington

A friend of mine named John H. Quanjer has published a book privately, called "One World - One Truth." The chapters include: Life without Death; Psyche; The Lifeline; Awakening; Cause & Effect; Companionship; The Underworld; Second Birth; etc. John tells me that it is a book meant to open peoples' eyes to the realities of life and to make them think a bit more about the depth of life. The price is \$3.00, and orders can be sent to me care of "Space Review."

SUSANNE STEBBING

2 Station Road, Frimley, Surrey, England

I have recently had an unpleasant visitor to my house, and I now know what is behind the saucers and why they are being seen. I am frightened out of my wits; and believe me, Jim, I have good reason to be. This person told me that if I say anything about what passed between us, I will wish I had not been born, and something will happen to my wife and family; and I don't want anything to happen to them! I wish I had not delved into the saucer subject, but it is too late now. He told me to forget everything about saucers and to find some other hobby if I value my neck. He was most angry, and I felt as if I could have been swallowed up by the floor.

Fulton and Jerrald (in Australia) were too nosy, and they paid for it. The visitor also made it clear that some person in your country will soon be stopped from going any further into this forbidden field. He did not say who this would be, but I have a good idea whom he meant, and it is someone you know well. Believe me, Jim, I have only written you this because you are a good friend. I hope you will publish this in your magazine. This person who visited me has no right to stop people from investigating the saucer field!

Mr. Bender is right, up to a point, but he has had to play along with them, for very good reasons, and now I don't blame him in the least.

I hope that you will be very careful in your saucer investigations.

MICHAEL FREEMAN, Cadbury, Nr. Exeter, England

If you remember Otis T. Carr and his dubious OTC X-1 spaceship, you will probably also remember Major Wayne Aho, one of Otis' short-lived lieutenants.....I have met and talked to Aho in his home, and I just couldn't picture such a character as an Army Major. Last winter, just to see for myself, I looked in the U.S. Army Register, which lists all Army officers - reserve and regular, active and retired. Our "Major" is not listed in any of the volumes. I checked from the present right down to the pre-World War II years.

JAMES ROBERTS, Toledo, Ohio

THE ELECTROMAGNETIC EFFECTS OF FLYING SAUCERS - (Part One)

- by John J. Robinson -

The reality of the sighting of any unidentified flying object is transitory. The object is seen, but it soon disappears from view. Unlike a single wave on a tranquil pond, the UFO does not leave even the evidence the wave would, - a high water wet area on the shore.

Since man is subject to hallucinations as well as other mental aberrations, it is very easy to accuse any individual of "seeing things." To offset such implications, a researcher needs some kind of physical evidence.

One method of collecting a permanent record of anything visual is that of taking its photograph. However, this method is somewhat ineffectual when dealing with flying saucers. Photographs of these objects almost always lack sufficient clarity, and details seen visually are invariably lacking. In addition, the numerous photographic hoaxes which have been perpetrated help to make UFO pictures almost valueless in regard to proving anything.

Because of this lack of physical evidence, people who believe that some UFO's are intelligently-guided craft, have been widely denounced as being subject to hallucination, the will to believe, or just plain idiocy. They are informed that what they really saw was a natural phenomenon, a weather balloon, or some other mundane thing such as a welder's torch or a floodlight.

There is, however, a very important side effect which has been apparent at the time of some UFO sightings. This side effect gives excellent evidence that what was seen is within the realm of physical reality. The phenomenon to which I refer has been recorded and verified for many sightings during which it served to prove that some type of power source was also present, besides the UFO which was observed. The power source seems to generate a force which is electromagnetic.

The creation of a natural electric force requires vast potentials of friction created by huge wind masses or cloud masses. The charge built up is then a very strong static electric charge. Electricity in nature never displays any electromagnetism. The static electrically-charged masses drain themselves of their potential by bolts of lightning, and the discharges cause the thunder we hear. These static discharges are not magnetic in their nature, and the only natural magnetism is that of the Earth itself, which is not strong enough to move a mass any bigger than a compass needle.

The events which I shall summarize in this article would require a mechanism capable of creating a tremendously strong and widely-extended field of electromagnetism. Such a mechanism has never been created by our scientists, to the best of my knowledge. The only natural phenomena which might be compared with UFO's are the plasmoids ("ball lightning"), and recent research has revealed that these are composed of what appears to be individually charged particles (electrons), which are held together or confined within an electrostatic field. Thus the plasmoid itself is not electrically charged. The plasmoid is, however, created by and affected by ionization, while it is also diamagnetic. This means that it does not affect the Earth's magnetic fields; It is affected by them. However, the electromagnetic effect of unidentified flying objects has shown itself to be strong enough to affect low-powered electrical systems at great distances, doing so at times in a manner which appears almost premeditated!

The most numerous low-powered electrically-controlled objects in our civilization are the conventional gasoline motors found in all automobiles. The heart of these motor cars is located in the 6 to 12 volt storage battery. The current from this battery is changed to a high voltage, low amperage spark, which ignites the gas fumes in the cylinders. It is used as a direct current to power the electrical lighting of the car, and is changed from a direct current to an alternating one by a vibrator in the car's radio,

which then uses a condenser to create the high voltage direct current necessary for receiving and transmitting the radio waves.

There is a verified record of over 57 cases which involve the stalling of automobile motors due to the proximity of UFO's. I shall not attempt to list all of these cases, but will merely summarize a few of the most interesting ones. A sighting which not only involves the electromagnetic effect but also an element of humor will serve as a starter. This event happened during the Levelland "glowing egg" saucer flap. (See footnote.)

On the night of October 30th, 1957, Hugh Pulju took his lady friend Shirley Moyer for a car ride. They were driving on a road located ten miles north of Casper, Wyoming, when they suddenly became aware of a large glowing egg-shaped object which was lying on the highway, directly in front of them. The object seemed to have two pointed peaks on it and was as large as a house. Hugh did not have to stop the car, for it sputtered and stalled. Hugh and Shirley were both frightened, and did not wish to investigate. They merely wanted to leave. The sheriff could take over the job of ascertaining just what type of weird object was obstructing the public right of way - they were not going to! Hugh stepped on the starter. The motor turned over a couple of times and then stalled again. Hugh was determined to leave, and he managed to turn the car around by repeatedly starting and stalling. Once the car was turned, Hugh continued in fits and starts until finally the motor ran continuously. Then he stepped on the gas and got away as fast as he could go. The sheriff was duly notified, but when he got there, the roadway was bare.

There are fewer cases of headlight failure than of motor stalling, because not all UFO's are encountered at night. Of the 23 cases of headlight failure on record, there is one which did not involve complete blackout of the headlights, and it is particularly interesting. The incident involves a squad car with two policemen in it, in the town of Elmwood Park, Illinois. This sighting poses the question of whether or not the electromagnetic force may be directed and used for a purpose.

These two officers spotted a low-flying UFO on the night of November 4th, 1957, and decided to pursue it. With their headlights on bright, they turned a spotlight on the object, but their lights soon became so dim that the

pursuit was abandoned because it was unsafe to drive. After the saucer left, the lights became bright again.

A case not involving a motor car occurred on October 14th, 1954, at Brosses-Thillot, Saone-et-Liore, France, where the presence of a UFO stalled a motorcycle. Cases are also on record of multiple vehicle stoppages, one of which is that of ten cars that were stalled simultaneously. Another includes not only a car but a truck and a bus full of passengers as well, none of which could move until the saucer



"You're standing on our leader!"

Footnote: This was a group of sightings around and about the Texas town of Levelland, during late October and early November of 1957. Many people reported seeing a large glowing egg-shaped object as large as a house (200 feet.) The events extended over a period of approximately two weeks and over an area of about one hundred miles.

stopped hovering above them and left the area. Another hovering UFO caused a farmer to await its departure before he could start harvesting his crop. It seems that the combine motor was stalled!

An incident involving two tractors has served to prove that the effect is indeed electromagnetic. These two tractors were being driven side by side when a UFO appeared. It stalled the tractor with the conventional motor, while the other one, which had a diesel motor, was not affected in any way, since diesel engines only use electricity for starting.

That the motors of the cars were not stalled by nervous or apprehensive drivers is proven by the fact that in ten instances the drivers had not yet seen the UFO, and had to have their attention called to it. Some of them were even examining the electrical system for trouble before they learned what had caused the motor to fail.

Since all cars do not have radios and all drivers do not put them to use, only ten of the total of twenty cases of radio failure involve automobiles. The others involve radios located in buildings, with the exception of one case which concerns an airplane's radio.

The following is the sequence of events which occurs in cars affected by the electromagnetism of flying saucers: (1) If there is a radio turned on, it starts to pick up static, and this static becomes so bad that all reception is eliminated. Then the radio is silenced. (2) The motor starts to sputter and then fails completely. (3) The car headlights dim and sometimes go out.

Once the UFO has left the scene, the car runs normally, but in one or two documented cases, the battery was steaming as if it had been subjected to an extreme short circuit. No one has been able to understand how or why this effect occurred.

The electromagnetic effect on the ten stationary radios falls into four categories, as follows: (1) The instrument (radio, T.V. or radar) went dead. (2) Signals were received which were not broadcast from any station on Earth, while the station tuned to was entirely eliminated. (3) Excessive static, blocking out all other reception. (4) The volume of reception was greatly diminished or decreased.

Except in the case of a Venezuelan airport radio operator who reported hearing signals similar to Morse code interspersed with explosive pops for a period of 40 seconds, the signals emanating from UFO's have no resemblance to Earth type radio signals. Some radio stations have reported that their attempts to announce the presence of a nearby saucer were thwarted by their stations being rendered inoperable; and cases are also on record of T.V. sets which received no signal at all, due to a nearby UFO. This signal disturbance extended over the considerable distance of 4 miles in one instance.

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NEW LIGHT ON A DEEP MYSTERY

- by N. S. Stringfellow -

Those with an insatiable craving for mystery should find a rich feast in Sandy Moseley's article "The Mystery of the Disappearing Planes," featured in the June 1963 issue of SAUCER NEWS. This story is exceptionally well done, and excites the imagination to the utmost. Another very interesting story on this subject may be found in Frank Edwards' "Stranger than Science," under the subtitle of "Sky Traps."

The incredible thing about the five Navy bombers' plight is found in the fear and hysteria in the voice and acts of the flight leader: "Emergency - Not sure of our position - Can't be sure where we are - We don't know - Cannot be sure which way is west - Cannot be sure of any direction - Everything wrong - Strange - Ocean doesn't look as it should." The utter state of chaos and helplessness is shown by the abrupt turnover of the flight command. What strange dilemma caused these experienced Naval airmen to panic, and what awesome phenomenon caused the complete disappearance of men and machines? It is hard to contemplate and accept the mysterious disappearance of five planes and fourteen able-bodied human beings at one time. Later other planes and people disappeared in this same area, thus augmenting the unsolved mystery. Sandy Moseley's article suggests a hole or trap in the sky, and so does Frank Edwards' story.

Let's look further into this subject. In the July, 1963 issue of Fate Magazine there appeared a brief story entitled "Paralyzed by a Magnetic Cloud." This story apparently originated in Philadelphia, and appeared in the August 13th, 1904 issue of a Hawaiian newspaper. A British steamship from Roumania, making for Delaware Breakwater, ran into a glowing phosphorescent mist which terrorized the crew, played havoc with the ship's compass, and brought the vessel to a standstill for half an hour. The vessel looked as if it was on fire, and the sailors flitted about the deck like glowing phantoms. The cloud had a strange magnetic effect on the ship. The needle on the compass revolved with the speed of an electric motor, and the sailors were unable to raise pieces of steel from the magnetized deck. The hair on the heads of the seamen stood straight on end because of the magnetic power of the cloud, and probably partly from fright as well. The captain was unable to calm them. The situation finally became normal when the cloud moved off to sea.

What caused this strange cloud? Was it a peculiar natural formation, or was it artificially produced by some kind of super beings as an experiment on earth people and material? Or was it produced by super beings to hide some operation or activity secretive and important to them? Could this be a clue to the chaotic condition among the personnel of the Navy planes off the coast of Florida and their disappearances?

In Major Donald Keyhoe's book "Flying Saucers - Top Secret," the story is told of a Navy transport plane which was approaching Newfoundland over the western Atlantic one night, when lights were seen beneath the plane like a village in the ocean. The possibility of land beneath was ruled out, as was the possibility of ships. As the transport began to circle for better observation, the strange lights quickly dimmed. Several colored rings appeared and began to spread out. One of them grew in size. The airmen discovered that it was a giant disc coming up toward them. They did not know where the other colored discs went.

What sort of rendezvous of saucers did this Navy transport disturb? We can't help but wonder why the investigating disc did not destroy the transport. Was it because the operators of the disc decided that the earth plane had not really seen anything? Could this be another clue to the fate of the Navy planes off the coast of Florida?

Did you ever hear the expression "The earth opened up and swallow-

ed them"? Rather than the earth or sky opening up to swallow the five Navy planes, perhaps the sea opened up to swallow them - a sea trap instead of a sky trap. Some people claim to have seen saucers "fall" in the sea and into lakes. Perhaps they did not fall, but went on a straight course back home. Why couldn't the saucers come up from the bowels of the Earth through the sea, into our atmosphere and beyond? Surface men can now submerge ships and fire missiles up through the sea to destroy large areas on land. Did the big Navy transport see saucers coming up from or going down into the sea? Did the five Navy planes and others off the coast of Florida run into something like this, and were deemed to have seen so much that they were sprayed by a paralyzing mist which caused their utter destruction? And were they perhaps taken by their captors to laboratories deep down in the Earth beneath the sea?

Recently when the Navy's deep-diving bathysphere went down a mile and a half in the Atlantic looking for the ill-fated sub Thresher, they found a crater two hundred feet wide and forty feet deep with no mounding around its edge. Could this be a place of entry? One might ask if a hole could be opened in the bottom of the sea to the regions below. If the super beings could take a nuclear submarine or five airplanes down through such a hole, they could properly pressurize them or in some manner could control the sea water.

Now, dear reader, perhaps you can appreciate the expression used at the beginning of this article about Sandy Moseley's story "exciting the imagination to the utmost"; or is it all imagination? There might be more truth than we think to Davy Jones' Locker or King Neptune's Realm. In recent years Earth's scientists have definitely turned to a serious study of the sea. What has caused this trend in scientific investigation?

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SPACEMEN IN OUR MIDST

- by Gray Barker -

Are spacemen really living among us, as many UFO researchers claim? Personally, I have never seen a spaceman, nor have I ever seen a flying saucer, for that matter; but I like to consider all the many claims and theories in an effort to arrive at a conclusion.

Contactees such as George Adamski and Howard Menger have written that people from other planets visit us regularly, but that only on rare occasions do they make their identities known to earth people. Apparently these extraterrestrials compare reasonably enough in appearance to earthmen, so that by donning terrestrial garb and mastering our languages, they can live right among us without being identified. They even take jobs alongside earthmen, may occupy governmental positions, and very quietly go about whatever they want to do here.

UFO skeptics pose quite a problem to us enthusiasts when they ask us why don't the saucers land openly and make themselves known if they are really coming here. Similarly they wonder why space people don't make themselves known to us if they are actually living here among us.

To understand the arguments for the case of space people living here, we must first review the role of such extraterrestrials as expressed in UFO literature and thought. We on this planet are in serious danger of blowing ourselves up in great numbers - possibly to the extent of almost completely denuding earth of intelligent life. Although some space communications have hinted that an atomic war might destroy the entire earth and have a harmful effect upon neighboring planets, the most usual role played by the spacemen is a sincere desire to help us advance morally and spiritually, with the bomb destruction aspect played down.

Some enthusiasts believe that since we are almost ready to visit

other planets and become a mobile member of the space community, the visitors are preparing us gradually for this role.

One writer, Laura Mundo, head of Detroit's Interplanetary Foundation and author of the new book "Flying Saucers and the Father's Plan," has a more complicated but perhaps a more sensible explanation. She believes that earth people were reincarnated here from other planets, and even brought here physically, in saucers, when they failed to progress suitably on Venus and other locations. In other words, they were demoted to a planet of lower vibrational status, namely earth, where they could have an opportunity to make moral and spiritual progress toward promotion back to their original homes.

But the earth and the entire solar system is now moving into a section of the Universe where there is a higher vibrational pattern, and as a result, our own planet's physical vibration is rapidly increasing. Earthmen, however, are not matching this increased vibrational status in their spiritual understanding and development, and will have to be again moved to some other planet of lower vibration if this vibrational increase is not hurried up. The visitors, says Laura Mundo, are here in ever-increasing numbers to speed up the process.

The casual observer on the Ufological scene would immediately suggest that if the space people are really here, then they should come out into the open, make themselves known, and speed up progress. After all, there would no longer be any doubt, and everyone would listen to them and do as they said.

However, Laura Mundo says that space people of antiquity did openly contact earth people and assist them both morally and technologically. But earthlings began to worship the visitors as gods, rather than understand their true part in the "Father's Plan."

Moral and spiritual progress are made only when there is a willingness to do so; and in general, mankind enjoys being told how to behave, and would rather blindly follow instructions than to initiate its own judgments.

If man is to accomplish meaningful progress on his own, assistance must be minor and consist mainly of directional guidance. This the space people are subtly trying to do. Now and then they may openly contact a Menger, an Adamski, or some other figure who can popularize the incident, in order to gauge public reaction to a possible appearance. This they can do without really being detected, because only a handful of the public will actually believe the contact accounts.

In her book, Laura Mundo relates many odd ways in which space people go about their indirect guidance. A visiting spaceman even tried to break up a saucer lecture in Detroit, just to give the people involved a chance to continue under hardship and have a better chance to learn. Even though I am still in the skeptic's camp, explanations such as those given by Laura Mundo come nearer to convincing me than the usual contactee stories.



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HOW ANIMALS TELL TIME WITHOUT CLOCKS

- by Eugene R. Steinberg -

As described in a recent issue of Life Magazine, most animals have a mysterious ability to regulate their activities by means of some physiological process which enables them to tell time. For example, turtles and pigeons apparently get their directional fix by watching the position of the sun or stars; but, as the sun and stars appear to be moving in the sky as the earth turns, these animals must have some way of knowing how much the earth has turned. Humans have chronometers to do this. Animals use mysterious biological clocks which are almost as accurate!

The most amazing thing of all is that these animal "clocks" go on functioning even when the animals are put into laboratories, under conditions of controlled light and temperature, where they are hidden from all the obvious clues of the passage of time. For example, a certain breed of crabs habitually hides in marshes near the sea at high tide, and runs out at low tide to feed on the flats exposed by the receding waters. Every day, low tide comes 50 minutes later than the day before, and the peak of crab activity is correspondingly later. In the laboratory, these crabs follow exactly the same pattern as if they were still living in their natural habitat. Also, the crabs living outdoors darken their skin as a protection against sunburn. The crabs in the laboratory, who see no sun, darken their skins in the same way at the same time!

Scientists have found that under constant laboratory conditions, animal clocks do not run exactly on a 24-hour day, but always very close to it. In some animals, as many as 20 different processes have been studied, each with an approximately 24-hour cycle. The observations made have been very precise, but scientists are unable to agree on the cause of these cyclical rhythms. One theory, advanced by Dr. Frank Brown of Northwestern University, is that animals depend on some outside source of information such as changes in barometric pressure, or in the earth's magnetic field, or in the intensity of cosmic radiation. The alternate theory, advanced by Dr. Colin Pittendrigh and a team of researchers at Princeton University, is that the clock is an internal self-contained timer, rather than a forced response to geophysical forces. In this view, the clock is a property of protoplasm itself. The protoplasmic clock evolved with a period close to that of the tides or the sunrise simply because this was an advantage to the life of the animal.

Whatever its cause, the importance of this biological clock is indisputable. The United States Navy and Air Force, which helped to finance research into the riddle, are interested because they would like to bring the simplicity and precision of the animal timers to the bulky, complex machines which guide their ships and planes around the world. Doctors are also interested, because health is apparently related to the proper functioning of the internal clocks. It has been found, for instance, that chick embryos survive more operations at one time of day than another. It has also been learned that certain toxic drugs help mice when administered at one time of day, and kill them when administered at another. This indicates that with further research, Man's health can be improved by a better understanding of the mysterious internal clock which we too have within our bodies.

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WHAT GRAY BARKER IS REALLY LIKE
- by Sandy Moseley -

It was the week of August 15th, when Gray Barker was to appear on the Long John Program, be guest speaker at the SAUCER NEWS Discussion and Lecture Committee, and attend our annual saucer party.

I suggested to Jim that Gray be our house guest. At first he was opposed to the idea; but I said that this would give us both an opportunity to get to know Gray better.

Gray accepted our invitation and arrived with several suitcases and a box of books to sell. The first night we listened to a "word jazz" record album he had brought along. These records are very abstract, and although Jim enjoyed them, I found them depressing - like Gray's poetry.

After a few beers, Gray's shyness started to disappear. He kicked off his white bucks and began exuding his charming personality. He is a typical bachelor. There is madness to his method - for example, he brought a winter suit to New York in August!

The next evening Gray and Jim spoke at the saucer meeting. Gray is a good lecturer, with a pleasant drawl and a good command of the English language. As a matter of fact, he once taught English in a high school in West Virginia and was head of the visual aids department. He worked his way through college by being a movie projectionist, and is very interested in the theatre.

We all have our secret ambitions, and Gray's is to re-make the silent picture classic, "Birth of a Nation." Besides publishing books, Gray is in the theatre booking business in Clarksburg.

Despite their disagreements in the saucer field, Gray and Jim have a lot in common - terrible taste in art, a love for sick poetry and records, and a liking for similar books and movies.

Gray stands 6' 5", has dull blue eyes, brown hair, and is considered handsome. He is an intellectual, a Christian, and an animal lover. While here he became attached to our cat Arnold, which he brought back to Clarksburg with him.

Gray and I had a wonderful rapport, and even Jim reluctantly admits that he was sorry to see Gray leave. Which just goes to show that one can accept and like others even if their ideals and ideas are not exactly alike. It took broadmindedness on Jim and Gray's part to make this visit possible. And Jim, in all fairness, has consented to publish this article at my request.

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FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT JONATHAN SWIFT AND THE MOONS OF MARS
- by Robert J. Durant and James W. Moseley -

The material in recent issues of SAUCER NEWS about Jonathan Swift's moons of Mars prompted us to re-read "Gulliver's Travels" with a view to digging out other material of interest to our readers. (See Page 14, March SAUCER NEWS and Page 6, June S. N.)

The research was fruitful. It appears that Swift had a great deal to say on "saucerian" subjects. Below is a summary of pertinent material taken from Part II, "A Voyage to Leputa," chapters 1, 2, and 3. The moon data is to be found in the same section of the book, which was written in 1735.

(Gulliver has been adrift in a small boat. He comes to an island, catches some sleep, and then goes for a walk.)

"I walked awhile among the rocks. The sky was perfectly clear, and the sun was so hot that I was forced to turn my face from it. All of a sudden it became obscured in a manner very different from what happens by the interposition of a cloud. I turned back, and perceived a vast opaque body between me and the sun, moving forward towards the island. It seemed to be about two

miles high, and hid the sun for six or seven minutes....As it approached nearer over the place where I was, it appeared to be of a firm substance, the bottom flat, smooth, and shining very bright from the reflection of the sea below. I stood upon a height about two hundred yards from the shore, and saw this vast body descending almost to a parallel with me, at less than an English mile distance. I took my pocket perspective and could plainly discover numbers of people moving up and down the sides of it...."

(The body turns out to be an island in the sky. Gulliver is rescued by a seat lowered from the island.)

"His majesty had given orders that the island should move north-east by east to the vertical point over Lagado, the metropolis of the whole kingdom below upon the firm earth. It was about ninety leagues distant (270 miles) and our voyage lasted four days and a half. I was not in the least sensible of the progressive motion made in the air by the island." (Thus, the speed of travel was about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles per hour.)

"....The flying or floating island is exactly circular, its diameter 7,837 yards, or about four miles and a half, and consequently contains ten thousand acres. It is three hundred yards thick. The bottom or under surface, which appears to those who view it from below, is one even regular plate of adamant shooting up to the height of about two hundred yards. Above it lie several minerals in their usual order, and over all is a coat of rich mold, ten or twelve feet deep.

"At the center of the island there is a chasm about fifty yards in diameter, from whence the astronomers descend into a large dome, which is therefore called 'flandona gagnole,' or the astronomers' cave, situated at the depth of a hundred yards beneath the upper surface of the adamant. In this cave are twenty lamps, continually burning, which, from the reflection of the adamant, cast a strong light into every part. The place is stored with a great variety of sextants, quadrants, telescopes, astrolabes, and other astronomical instruments. But the greatest curiosity, upon which the fate of the island depends, is a loadstone of a prodigious size, in shape resembling a weaver's shuttle. It is in length six yards, and in the thickest part at least three yards over. This magnet is sustained by a very strong axle of adamant passing through its middle, upon which it plays, and is poised so exactly that the weakest hand can turn it. It is hooped around with a hollow cylinder of adamant, four feet deep, as many thick, and twelve yards in diameter, placed horizontally, and supported by eight adamantine feet, each six yards high. In the middle of the concave side there is a groove twelve inches deep, in which the extremities of the axle are lodged, and turned round as there is occasion.

"The stone cannot be moved from its place by any force, because the hoop and its feet are one continued piece with that body of adamant which constitutes the bottom of the island.

"By means of this loadstone, the island is made to rise and fall, and move from one place to another. For with respect to that part of the earth over which the monarch presides, the stone is endued at one of its sides with an attractive power, and at the other with a repulsive power. Upon placing the magnet erect, with the attracting end towards the earth, the island descends; but when the repelling extremity points downward, the island mounts directly upwards. When the position of the stone is oblique, the motion of the island is so too; for in this magnet the forces always act in lines parallel to its direction."

(There follows a step by step explanation of navigation by use of the loadstone, as given below:)

"When the stone is put parallel to the plane of the horizon, the island stands still; for in that case the extremities of it, being of equal distance from the earth, act with equal force, the one drawing downwards, the other pushing upwards, and consequently no motion can ensue.

"The loadstone is under the care and protection of certain astronomers who, from time to time, give it such positions as the monarch directs. They spend the greatest part of their lives observing the celestial bodies, which they do by the assistance of glasses far excelling ours in goodness."

(Here Swift states, in a matter of fact manner, that the astronomers have discovered two moons of Mars, and he gives their distances from the planet and their periods of revolution.)

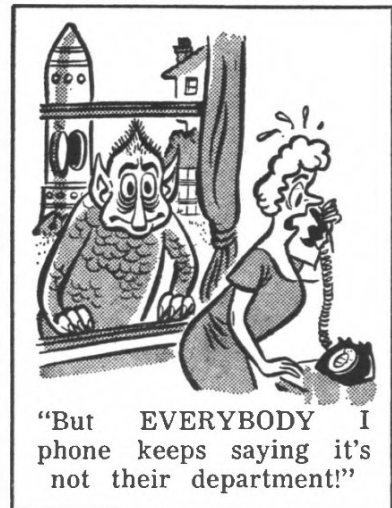
"If any town should engage in rebellion or mutiny, fall into violent factions, or refuse to pay the usual tribute, the king has two methods of reducing them to obedience. The first and mildest is, of course, by keeping the island hovering over such a town and the lands around it, whereby he can deprive them of the benefit of the sun and rain, and consequently afflict the inhabitants with dearth and diseases; and if the crime deserves it, they are at the same time pelted with great stones, against which they have no defense...."

Is there any reason to take seriously this suggestion of an "island in the sky" populated by scientists and powered by an anti-gravity device? The remarkable accuracy of Swift's statements about the moons of Mars forces us to take a good long look at the rest of his claims. At least we can examine them for consistency, and perhaps do some second guessing in terms of our present-day scientific information.

The island of Laputa, says Swift, consists of a base rock layer two hundred yards thick, covered with a one hundred yard layer of topsoil. This would make the island weigh something like 100 million pounds, assuming a conservative figure of 5 for the average density of the island. It is simply not possible for an axle 12 inches in diameter to sustain such a weight, and that is what Swift seems to think is happening. The loadstone, at best, could only be a small guiding force working in conjunction with a gravity nullifying device.

A close look at the forces involved will explain our point. In order to move the island, three forces must be overcome: The island's weight must be counterbalanced; the inertia of the island must be overcome to get it moving, and to stop or change the direction of movement; and finally, wind resistance must be overcome. Even at the leisurely $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles per hour which Swift experienced on his trip to Lagado, the wind resistance of the island would be tremendous. An anti-gravity device would, theoretically, take care of the weight and possibly the inertia of the island, leaving the loadstone to battle wind resistance alone. But it is inconceivable that the spindly arrangement in the Astronomer's Cave could manage such forces. Compare the amount of rigging required on a sailing vessel with the size and mounting of the loadstone.

The loadstone can't have the force field properties of a magnet and operate in the manner Swift describes. He says that the stone can be "moved by the weakest hand," and that it will remain in any position the operator chooses. "When the stone is placed parallel to the horizon, the island stands still; for in that case the extremities of it, being at equal distance from the earth, act with equal force, one in drawing downward, the other in pushing upwards, and consequently no motion can ensue." But if one end of the stone attracted the earth and the other repelled the earth with force enough to move that great mass, the loadstone would flip to a vertical position, with the attracting side down, and stay there. Nothing could move it. For the loadstone to function as advertised, it would have to be a ray device, emanating attracting and repelling rays from its ends.



"But EVERYBODY I phone keeps saying it's not their department!"

Incidentally, the words "Leputa," "flandona," and "gagnole" were analyzed with the Shaver Mantong Alphabet. We regret to say that the results did not throw much light on what Mr. Swift was up to, or what Mr. Shaver was up to, either.

Getting back to the moons of Mars, a recent feature article in the "National Enquirer" claims that U. S. scientists are working on a round-the-clock investigation of Phobos. Many leading scientists believe that this little moon, 5 miles in diameter, is probably a huge space platform, built by living creatures from Mars or some other planet.

According to this article, the United States Government is going to spend over \$55 million in the next year or so, in an attempt to find out if this theory is true. Says Raymond E. Wilson, Chief of Applied Mathematics for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration: "Space probes are now being prepared to determine whether Phobos is actually a huge orbiting space base."

It is also believed that the next Mariner space rocket, scheduled for launching late this Fall or in the early spring of 1964, will be aimed to pass close to Mars and will contain special equipment capable of analyzing the light reflected from Phobos. Scientists say that if this moon reflects light in the way aluminum does, it will prove Phobos to be a space platform rather than a natural moon.

Phobos and its sister moon, Deimos, were discovered by the U.S. astronomer Asaph Hall in 1877, - though they were described with great accuracy in Swift's book over a hundred years earlier. For many years after their official discovery, nobody paid much attention to them because they are so small. There haven't even been any good photographs taken of them, because the Earth's atmosphere interferes with cameras, and thus the reflected light from Mars tends to blank out Phobos.

Finally, in 1959, I.S. Shklovsky, who is considered to be Russia's leading planetary physicist, published the results of observations he had made. He came to the conclusion that Phobos is an artificial satellite, probably made of aluminum. He believes that this moon is hollow inside, something like a tin can from which the contents have been removed. Shklovsky had good reasons for his theory about Phobos - the most important of which is that the tiny moon moves in its orbit over three times faster than Mars! This is impossible for a natural moon, according to accepted astronomical theories. For another thing, Phobos is slowing down as time goes by, and moving closer to Mars. This duplicates the motions of all man-made satellites put into orbit by the United States and Russia.

One of the leading scientists to express agreement with Shklovsky is Dr. H.M. Sinton, an astronomer at Yerkes Observatory, Williams Bay, Wisconsin. In a statement to the U. S. National Academy of Sciences, Yerkes said: "Phobos may be a huge orbiting city filled with men, women, and children. The other moon (Deimos) might be one too." Also in agreement is Dr. Fred Hoyle, a professor of astronomy at Cambridge University, England. He is quoted as saying that this is the only theory he has ever heard that covers the mystery of these two moons.

Disagreement has come from other scientists, including astronomer Clyde W. Tombaugh, associate professor of earth sciences at the Research Center of New Mexico University. Dr. Tombaugh is world-famous as the discoverer of the planet Pluto, and is known in saucer circles for his sensational close-up sighting of a saucer with apparent lighted windows, back in 1949. However, regarding the moons of Mars, he is quoted in the Enquirer as saying: "Putting up such a satellite would severely strain the capabilities of even a world rich in resources. The extreme poverty of mineral resources on Mars would have deprived them of the necessary materials."

So the controversy goes on; and it will probably be another few years before it is settled for once and for all.

RECENT NEWS STORIES

MYSTERY CRATER IN ENGLAND: One of the most publicized UFO cases in recent years occurred last July near the town of Charlton, Wiltshire, England. A crater about eight feet wide was found in a potato patch belonging to a farmer named Roy Blanchard, who said: "As far as I'm concerned, something strange landed in those fields. And when it took off again, some of my potatoes went with it."

Although at least two reliable local people saw something flash through the sky on the night of July 10th, in the vicinity of the Blanchard farm, apparently no one actually witnessed the UFO landing (if such it was.) However, the headlines in the wire service stories about the crater were grabbed by one Dr. Robert Randall, who joined British Army investigators at the scene. He solemnly declared that the hole had been made by a 600-ton spaceship, 500 feet wide, from the planet Uranus. Dr. Randall calculated that the saucer was carrying a crew of 60, and that it had made a forced landing in the field when its solar batteries failed. An Army bomb disposal unit got a reading from the crater on their metal detector, and this indicated to Dr. Randall that the saucer had broken off one of its three 80-foot-long extensions used as landing gear. The other two tripod feet left marks in other fields about 500 feet away from the crater, according to Dr. Randall, who made a detailed drawing of the imaginary saucer for the newspapers.

The British press went into a furor over the incident, and two members of the House of Commons asked for a governmental investigation, to determine whether or not an extraterrestrial craft was actually involved. Wavenev Girvan, editor of "Flying Saucer Review," also got into the act, but fortunately the editor of "Uranus" (another British saucer magazine) did not. Meanwhile, attempts to check on the credentials of Dr. Randall, said to be an Australian astrophysicist, led to the fact that he was not known to The Royal Society, Britain's top scientific body. It was never determined just what sort of doctor Dr. Randall is. According to one story, a reporter went to his house in a nearby town and asked his wife if he was a doctor of medicine or of physics. She replied, "Both," and slammed the door.

If it had not been for Dr. Randall's "lunatic fringe" remarks (i. e., how could he possibly know which planet the alleged spaceship was from?), this would have been a remarkably sober and interesting UFO case. The mine detection team, shown in the photo on the cover, roped off the area from the curiosity-seeking public, and dug six feet down. Within a few days after the discovery of the mystery crater, the case was "solved" by the finding of a small rock, assumed to be a meteorite, which was sent to the British Museum for examination. But alas, to the disappointment of the skeptics, the rock turned out to be iron pyrites indigenous to the area, and definitely not a meteor. A later report quoted a British scientist as saying that the hole might have been caused by a meteorite which fragmented upon hitting the earth's surface; but basically, the crater remained unexplained. It seems incredible that either a meteor or a 600-ton spaceship could have landed without making enough noise to wake up the whole countryside!

Almost overlooked in the controversy over the Charlton incident, were two even more mysterious craters found at about the same time in a lonely district of Berwickshire, Scotland. A 60-year-old farmer named James Brown discovered these holes, which were sixteen feet wide and three feet deep. The craters were twelve feet apart, and great lumps of earth from them had been hurled as far away as forty feet. Strangest of all, channels up to 44 feet long were found radiating from the craters like the spokes of a wheel. Also, a group of small square holes one foot wide and two feet deep was discovered about 35 feet from the craters. Local police admitted they were baffled, and called in a scientist from Edinburgh Observatory to investigate. Three Army

bomb-disposal experts spent a day digging, found nothing, and gave up.

Our latest information on this matter is that a man named John Southern claims that the English crater as well as the two in Scotland were dug by himself and two friends, as a hoax. However, this explanation seems most unlikely!

SEA SERPENT SEEN OFF NEW JERSEY COAST: Last July, a sea monster as weird as anything Loch Ness has produced, was seen near a scientific research vessel at Sandy Hook, New Jersey, - just 25 miles from Times Square. The sighting is important because it was made by several reputable people, including Dr. Lionel A. Walford, director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Research Center at Sandy Hook. Said Dr. Walford: "It was an invertebrate. It looked like so much jelly. I could see no bones, and no eyes, nose, or mouth. But there it was, undulating along, looking as if it were almost made of fluid glass. A number of us saw it. It was at least 40 feet long and about 5 inches thick, looking something like an enormously long flattened eel."

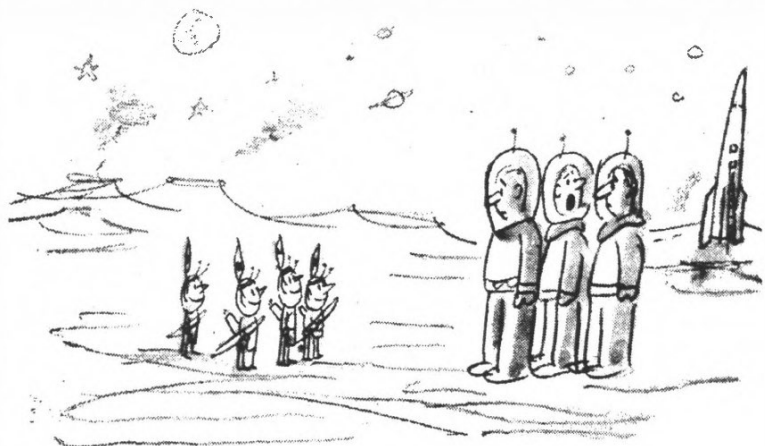
The creature also passed within a few feet of one of the vessel's divers, as he sat in a cage on the ocean bottom observing marine life. He left the cage and swam after the sea serpent, but it outdistanced him, and he returned to the research ship before sharks could start investigating him!

On August 22nd, a man at nearby Belmar, New Jersey, reported seeing a giant jelly-like fish about 30 to 40 feet in diameter. He was fishing from a jetty when he spotted the creature, which was apparently not the same serpent seen by the scientific team. This one looked like a round cake of ice but was flexible. It was almost transparent, and moved in ripples. It disappeared after about 15 minutes, said the fisherman.

The scientific research ship returned to the area in an effort to photograph or capture the sea serpent. Aboard were sixteen scientists and divers, and their ship was accompanied by a chartered press boat carrying newsmen whose interest had been aroused by the sightings. But nothing further was seen, and the story ended in the usual babel of controversy as to whether or not the sightings were misinterpretations of conventional fish.

SAUCER FLAP IN ILLINOIS: One of the largest saucer flaps of recent months occurred last August in various communities in the state of Illinois. The best sighting was made on the night of August 4th by a teenager named Ronnie Austin, of Keens, Illinois, who gave the following account:

"My girl friend Phyllis Bruce and I had driven to Mt. Vernon and attended a drive-in movie there. About 11 p.m. we headed for home, traveling east on Route 15. As we drove past the airport I leaned over to speak to Phyllis, and when I looked out of the car window to the south, I saw a big white object moving along just over the tree tops. It looked as big as an automobile..... When I'd speed up my car, the object would speed up, and when I slowed down, it slowed down too. My car is built for racing, and at one point I drove at 120 mph, and it stayed right after me. At first it was on the south side of the road, and then it crossed over in front of me to the north



"Well, here we go again - they want \$24. worth of trinkets and the planet's ours.

side. At one time it came to within a hundred feet of the car. I had my radio tuned to station WLS. I thought they would announce if some foreign attack was underway. When the thing crossed over my car, the radio went crazy. It made all kinds of strange sounds, so I turned it off.

"When we reached my girl's house, her sister got up and came outside and looked at the object. All of a sudden it started moving closer, so we all ran inside, turned off the lights, and watched it through the window. I finally had to go home, so I made a run for the car. That's when the trouble really began. As soon as I pulled away from the house the object began to follow. Me or my car seemed to attract it. I really poured on the coal, and I must have been doing 120 again when I topped the hill on the gravel road not far from our place. I was coming into a dead end spot in the highway and the object seemed to exert some strange force on my car. Otherwise I would never have been able to make the turn. It slowed me down at an unbelievable rate. Then the thing came straight toward me and hovered over my car. The engine started to miss. Finally it died, and I didn't know what was going to happen then. Next the light moved over to the side of the highway and my car started. I raced for home.

"I ran inside and woke up my mother and father. They thought I was drunk or had gone crazy. I told them they had better call the police. Dad ran outside and took one look and then ran back inside for his gun. He has a 12-gauge Remington automatic. When the object saw that gun it seemed to move right toward us. We ran back inside, where Dad got us all in the kitchen and turned off the lights. He called the police at Mt. Vernon.....When the police arrived, they saw the strange object too. Two of my buddies stayed there and watched it all night. It was still visible when the sun came up about 4 o'clock this morning. The object was round and moved with the most ungodly speed I ever saw. I can't imagine what it was."

A team of Air Force investigators eventually came to Illinois to look into this and dozens of other UFO stories which followed in quick succession during the next few days. The team, headed by Lt. Col. Robert Friend of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, concluded that Ronnie Austin's sighting was caused by the moon and the planet Jupiter, which was bright and low in the horizon that night. Such an explanation does not come anywhere close to covering all the details of young Austin's report, however, - especially the part about radio interference, which is a common phenomenon in close-up UFO sightings.

Several of the sightings in this Illinois flap were apparently caused by misinterpretation of an advertising sign being towed by an airplane. When seen at an angle, this sign appeared to be a cigar-shaped mystery craft, and some reports described the light bulbs as lighted windows. However, there were a few UFO reports from the Chicago area in early August which, although not as sensational as the one made by Austin, nevertheless seem authentic.

FORTEAN ITEMS: An 11-pound chunk of ice which fell near Moscow in early September is believed by Russian scientists to have come from outer space. Said Tass, the official Russian news agency: "It is absolutely impossible for the ice to be of atmospheric origin, as clear sunny weather prevailed on that day. The hypothesis that it fell off a plane flying at great height is also rejected." The ice will be subjected to a complicated analysis with isotopes....About August 28th, small squares of bright red paper were found scattered over an area of ten square miles west of Larned, Kansas. No explanation was found....On August 29th, straw fell for an hour from clouds over Dartford, Kent, England. Joyce Hyams, wife of a farmer on the outskirts of the community, said: "I was hanging out some washing when I felt straw falling all over me. I looked up and the sky seemed full of it." The strawfall quickly spread to the city of Dartford, and soon local residents were busy with brooms and

pitchforks removing it from streets and lawns. The weird phenomenon stopped as suddenly as it had begun. Local police were baffled, as there was far too much of the straw for it to have dropped from an airplane....

Millions of tiny frogs poured out of the sky during a rainstorm which occurred on July 17th near Silver Lake in southeastern Oregon. Mrs. R. W. Carpenter of Eugene, Oregon, says that she and her husband were driving along a highway when the mysterious phenomenon began. Many of the frogs landed on the highway and were killed by traffic. Others fell in an area estimated by Mrs. Carpenter to be a half mile in diameter. The frogs were about the size of a quarter and grayish in color. Permanent residents of the Silver Lake area told her that the species is not native there. (Our thanks to subscriber Charles Edmonds for this item.).....On August 12th, the communications satellite called Telstar II returned to life as mysteriously as it had ceased operation almost a month previously. Bell Telephone Laboratories engineers confessed that they know no more about what caused the satellite to resume functioning than they know about what stopped it in the first place. The discovery that Telstar II had resumed functioning was made when a routine signal was sent to it, and to the surprise of the engineers, the satellite answered....

Here's a really weird one: On the night of September 4th, several persons in a Hollywood, California neighborhood claimed they were awakened by a terrific crash and that they saw an overturned car, badly smashed and burning on the street. The witnesses said that police and fire units were soon on the scene, followed by an ambulance which carried away a woman, apparently seriously injured. But Hollywood police have no record of such an accident, nor do they have any evidence that police were sent to the supposed accident site. The fire department likewise claims that they know nothing of the event. A local hospital confirms that an ambulance was sent to this location and that a woman was treated for very minor injuries sustained in a traffic accident there. She was released within fifteen minutes by the hospital. But the site shows several smashed mailboxes, a brick wall with a large chunk out of it, and recently-trampled bushes. No one knows what happened to the car, the policemen, or the firemen that the residents claim they saw. (Our thanks to researcher Manon Darlaine for this item.).....Henry Thorne, one of the trapped coal miners whose rescue received nation-wide attention last August, reported that he and the man trapped with him saw some very strange things. These phenomena, assumed by the newspapers to be hallucinations, were seen at the same time by both of the cave-in victims. Says Thorne: "On the fifth day I saw all kinds of lights and the actual figures of people. The lights and figures were always in front of us, but the more we crawled toward them, the further away they got. For example, I saw a man, or the dark shape of a man, with a light on his helmet. I yelled, 'Show me some light over here!' Davy saw him too, but the shape of the man got smaller as we crawled toward him and then he was gone altogether.".....

A recent undated item tells of a frightening hairy monster that has been seen by many people living in a district near Mansfield, Ohio. A hairy creature with large luminous eyes and misty gray fur has been observed on several different occasions. One witness, named C. W. Cox, said he was checking his barn at about 9:30 p.m. when he heard a noise in a nearby creek. Shining his flashlight on the ravine, Cox caught a glimpse of the monster, which immediately ran off into the woods. Cox said it definitely walked like a man, not like a bear. On another occasion, two brothers walking along a country road in the same district saw the monster rise up in front of them. They described it as seven or eight feet tall and looking like a gorilla. Sheriff's deputies were called in on the hunt.....Last June, a fisherman in St. Clair, Michigan, hauled up a weird 35-pound creature from a deep river and baffled local marine biologists. The creature has 90 sets of teeth. It has two holes on the top of its head through which it takes air, which it then passes over

its gills to obtain oxygen. It also has two dorsal fins, two pectoral fins, and two vertical fins. It is three feet long, $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet across, and its eyes are $3\frac{1}{2}$ inches apart. The creature is gray on top and a dingy white on the bottom.

....Five girls were hospitalized in Camberra, Australia, last September 30th, when a fireball knocked down all 22 girl hockey players on a sports field. The fireball swept across the field after a violent storm. A fleet of cars and ambulances rushed the victims to a hospital, where most of them were treated for electric shock....An $18\frac{1}{2}$ foot long sea monster washed up on the beach at Malibu, California, on September 25th. Two scientists from the University of California were summoned, and they drenched the creature with formaldehyde to preserve it. The monster was described as an oar fish, only the second of its species ever found. Dr. Vladimer Walters, one of the scientists, said: "It is definitely one of the legendary monsters sailors report from time to time. Alive, this animal swims through the sea like an eel, but rarely comes up from its home 600 feet and more below the water's surface"

NEWS BRIEFS: We're a little late on this one, but a most interesting news item dated June 4th informs us that several truckers along the Minnesota-Iowa border saw a strange multi-colored light settle to earth near the highway. The incident occurred in the vicinity of Lyle, Minnesota, late at night, and was first reported by Zearl Leinen, a truck driver from Cedar Rapids. His story was quickly followed by reports from four other truckers; and a radio station in Austin, Minnesota, said that after it broadcast news of the incident, numerous phone calls were received from persons who said they had seen the same multi-colored light in the Lyle area. Highway patrolmen searched the region carefully, but found nothing....Another important item which is now considerably out of date comes from George Earley, president of NICAP's Connecticut chapter. He states that on May 16th, a Los Angeles radio station carried the following story concerning astronaut Gordon Cooper's flight: "However, during his 15th orbit, NBC has reports from West Australia which indicate that an unidentified and somewhat mysterious light was visible from the capsule, traveling in the opposite direction from the capsule. These reports all said that the unknown space phenomenon was of a green color with a red tail. Spokesmen at Muchea, the station in Australia tracking the capsule, said that the light had nothing to do with the capsule or its journey through space; but the spokesmen did not discount its presence up there." Australian papers also printed reports from ground observers who said they saw a red-tailed green object overhead as Cooper orbited by....

On the night of August 13th, a strange bright red glittering object hovered for half an hour over the towns of Lodi and Hackensack, just a few miles from your Editor's New Jersey residence. Technicians in the tower of Teterboro Airport made visual observations of the object, and dozens of phone calls were received by local newspapers and police. The object eventually drifted away and disappeared. It was never identified....A still photograph of a UFO, taken by a reporter on the Quincy, Massachusetts, Patriot Ledger, has baffled Dr. Gerald S. Hawkins, who is director of the Boston University Observatory and staff astronomer at the Harvard College Observatory. The picture was snapped on July 26th by reporter Richard Pothier from the back yard of his home. It shows a mysterious pattern of lights which the noted astronomer, who personally examined the picture, was unable to explain. Said Dr. Hawkins: "I would hesitate to say the photograph does show a flying saucer, although I admit it is very difficult to explain the photograph." He also stated that the picture "comes very close to scientific evidence about UFO's"....

An intriguing front-page story appeared in the August 29th edition of a weekly newspaper called "The St. John Valley Times," published in Madawasha, Maine. Two boys, aged 8 and 9, who live with their parents in Fort Kent, Maine, reported seeing a low-flying object which hummed intermittently

when it passed, "something like a radio which isn't working very well being turned on and off." The object was shaped like two dinner plates stacked facing each other. It was flying so low, according to the boys' story, that it barely cleared the trees when passing over a hill near their home. The children also said the UFO did not have a tail like a helicopter or propellers like a plane, and that it was going too slowly to be a conventional aircraft. Fort Kent is on the border between Maine and Canada; and the mystery craft was seen heading across the border, which is not allowed. Another saucer sighting had been made in the area a few days earlier, but the boys could not have heard of it, according to the newspaper report.....The giant saucer flap in South America, which we wrote up in our December 1962 and March 1963 issues, seems to have died out. However, last June, a group of star-gazing scientists on an expedition to an uninhabited mountainous area in Argentina, saw several strange unidentified lights. June is the coldest month of the year in Argentina, and the expedition went to this remote region to make astronomical observations. The report of the UFO's was made by Angel Binaghi Pages, director of the Hudson Geophysical Observatory.

SAUCER BRIEFS: On the night of September 5th, fifty saucer enthusiasts were left stranded at a pier in Waukegan, Illinois, when the skipper of a boat they had chartered walked out on them. Norman Jack Maynard, leader of the group and president of the Great Lakes Unidentified Flying Objects Association, had to refund \$1.25 to each of the people, some of whom came from as far away as 100 miles to take the chartered saucer-hunting excursion. The researchers gathered on the deck of the boat, tied to the pier, and made attempts to signal spaceships with lights; but the skipper, who earlier in the evening sat skeptically through a two-hour meeting of the group, was nowhere to be found!...Ray Palmer, of science fiction and flying saucer fame, has come out with a new magazine called "Space World.".....Danish Air Force Major H. C. Petersen is co-operating with George Adamski in the building of the latter's new "center for cosmic studies," 35 miles north of Guadalajara, Mexico. Major Petersen has spent fifteen years investigating UFO's as a hobby....

The annual saucer convention at Giant Rock, California, was held on September 21st and 22nd this year, and it drew only about 400 of the Faithful this time, plus the usual lecturers. It was the 10th annual space convention sponsored by contactee George Van Tassel. John Glenn was boosted for President of the U. S., because "he has orbited the earth and realizes how small men are.".....Dr. Frank E. Stranges, author of two saucer books and producer of a forthcoming science-fiction movie, is giving talks each Sunday morning at his "New Age Cathedral," which is located at the Hollywood Women's Club in Hollywood, California. His topic is "New Age Religion and Infinite Science."

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