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EISENHOWER DISCREDITS FLYING SAUCER SPACE THEORIES

Washington, D.C.-New York News-The mystery over flying saucers was brought back down to earth December 15th by President Eisenhower. Speaking seriously, he said that an Air Force officer whose judgement he trusts told him that saucers do not come from outer space.

Asked for elaboration of Ike's remarks, an Air Force spokesman said only that 10% of the objects sighted remain unexplained. "People certainly have been seeing something," he added. "You can't say that everybody who reports one of these things is crazy."

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CENTER OF EARTH CALLED HOME OF FLYING SAUCERS

Rio De Janeiro-Chicago Tribune Foreign Service-Flying saucers come from the center of the earth, not from outer space, according to Brazilian Navy Comm. Justino Strauss.

He told the Brazilian Theosophical Society that he believes "these mysterious engines (saucers) come from the center of the earth, where it has long been believed that life exists to a degree far advanced over our own civilization," he said.

Strauss said he believed the disappearance of Col. Percy H. Fawcett, American who vanished in the Amazon jungle years ago while searching for a rumored city of wealth, was connected with the operations of the people who dwell inside the earth.

news-release

LAUGHEAD IS SANE, DOCTORS DECLARE

Lansing, Mich.-Detroit Free Press Wire Services-Believing in flying saucers or that the end of the world impends does not make anyone eligible for a state mental hospital, Probate Judge John McClellan ruled in the case of Dr. Charles Laughead.

The doctor was brought into probate court on the petition of his sister to have him tucked away in a State hospital and a guardian appointed for his family. She made the same request for Mrs. Laughead.

The doctor, who got reams of publicity waiting for the end of the world and the Christmas Eve visitation of folks from outer space, had a prepared statement ready for reporters.

He said he forgave his sister, who made two trips from Iowa. He added that America must not lose sight of the principles of freedom.

special to the Sentinel

FRANK EDWARDS TO BE BACK ON AIR SOON

Frank Edwards, radio commentator, will soon be back on the air with a fine program of saucer and oddities news.

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a regular feature
AVAILABLE SAUCER LITERATURE

Books

- Behind the Flying Saucers, Frank Scully, Henry Holt and Company, \$2.95.
- Flying Saucers Have Landed, Desmond Leslie and George Adamski, Werner Laurie and British Book Centre, \$3.50.
- Flying Saucers From Outer Space, Major Donald E. Keyhoe, Henry Holt and Company, \$3.00.
- Flying Saucers on the Attack, Harold T. Wilkins, Citadel Press, \$3.50.
- The Coming of the Saucers, Kenneth Arnold and Ray Palmer, privately published by the authors. A copy may be purchased by sending \$4.00 to Ray Palmer, Amherst, Wisconsin.
- Aboard a Flying Saucer, Truman Bethurus, DeVorss and Company, \$3.00.
- The Saucers Speak, George Williamson and Alfred Baily, New Age Publishing Company, \$2.00.
- The White Sands Incident, Daniel W. Fry, publisher unknown, \$1.50.
- I Rode a Flying Saucer, George W. VanTassel, \$1.00.

Magazines

Saucers, edited by Max B. Miller, published approximately quarterly by Flying Saucers International, P.O. Box 35034, Los Angeles 35, Calif. Four issues, \$1.00.

The Saucerian, edited and published approximately quarterly by Gray Barker, Box 2228, Clarksburg, W. Va. Single copies, 35¢. Six issue subscription, \$2.00.

CRIFO Newsletter, published monthly by Leonard Stringfield, P.O. Box 1855, Cincinnati, Ohio. \$1.00 for six months.

The Vimana, official monthly publication of the Detroit Flying Saucer Club, 6432 Cass Avenue, Detroit 2, Michigan. Single copies, 25¢. Five issues, \$1.00.

The Little Listening Post, released every so often by Clara John, 4811 Illinois Avenue, Washington 11, D.C. Four issues, \$1.00.

Saucer Research Society Bulletin, a semi-monthly published at 22332 Clairwood Avenue, St. Clair Shores, Michigan. Eight issues, \$1.00.

(Note: Please mention the SENTINEL when writing to the above publications.)

special to the Sentinel

TWO NEW SAUCER BOOKS SCHEDULED FOR RELEASE SOON

In the past two weeks, we have received two announcements of forthcoming books on the flying saucer subject.

The first is written by M.K. Jessup, former astronomer for the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and South Africa, and will be published by the Citadel Press. It presents the positive and scientific case for the UFO. The negative stand of certain scientists will be refuted with diverse data from their own professional archives, with endorsement by a popular radio commentator. Our readers are invited to make reservations for the first 1000 numbered copies to be autographed by the author, who tells you where to look in space for the mother-craft of the UFO. Do not forward any money until requested to do so, but you may specify COD shipment when the book comes off the press. Write to the Library Research Group, 408 International Building, Washington 4, D.C.

Another book on saucers which has no title as yet is scheduled for publication within the next few weeks. It is written by Orfeo Angelucci and published by 20th Century Times, 2931 Glendale Blvd., Los Angeles 39, Calif. "This book reveals forces of Nature that are the very essences of Flying Saucers. Price, \$3.00 postpaid. Send orders to the Los Angeles address given above.

news-item

OBJECT IDENTIFIED; OUR FACES ARE RED

In the December 1st SENTINEL an article appeared entitled, "Is It a Saucer?" It concerned an article which appeared in the Cranbrook Institute of Science Newsletter entitled "What Is It?" and showed a photograph of a "free-moving object in the sky" taken about ten o'clock one evening last October in Bloomfield Hills, Mich.

The article stated that at the Institute they were "satisfied that this thing is not made by any earthly humans."

A prize was to be offered for the best estimate of its identity.

Several days ago, our kind friend, Mrs. John P. Hedrick, sent us the January Newsletter from the Institute with the explanation.

Mrs. Hedrick wrote, "I, at least, got 'taken in' on this gag. Had no idea the officers at the Institute had such nice senses of humor." The article:

Flying Saucer?

Last month we published in our NEWS LETTER a somewhat fuzzy photograph of an object sailing through space, and gave some details of the conditions under which it was photographed. Herewith are some better photographs made at the same time and place by Admiral Charles David Williams, in which we can recognize Glaucomys volans, the southern flying squirrel. It is a common animal around Cranbrook, though, because it is nocturnal, few people see it...

...The "problem" photograph was difficult to identify because the animal's tail was in shadow and its head upturned. We failed to mention that the object was not luminescent and was photographed with artificial lights. When we challenged our readers to name the object, answers came from far and wide. Only one person, a museum director in Wisconsin, identified it correctly. Here are some of the answers received: angel, space ship from the planet Orion, bat out of Hell, asteroid, meteorite 400 to 600 miles away.

The moral? Don't make conclusions on too little evidence!

an exclusive feature

SENTINEL CONTEST BULLETIN NO. 4

As was predicted in the last issue, the total points earned has gone well over the 1000 mark. Complete contest details are given below.

LATEST SAUCER SENTINEL CONTEST STANDINGS

Top Three Contestants

Mrs. Alice Schrank, Saginaw, Mich.....	328
Alden B. Dow, Midland, Mich.....	260
Audrey Schofield, Saginaw, Mich.....	168
Total points thus far recorded.....	1274

Prizes

First: \$4.00. Second: Your choice of any one of the books listed in "Available Saucer Literature."

CONTEST RULES AND INFORMATION. There are no age requirements or entry fees. The idea of the contest: We are always looking for articles, new subscriptions, our readers' opinions, etc. You readers can help out and in return get a chance to be rewarded for your efforts. Points will be awarded accordingly and when the contest is over, the ones with the most points will receive prizes. The contest opened October 15th and will close approximately June 1st, 1955. All readers are eligible no matter whether or not you believe in flying saucers. There are several ways to earn points.

NEWS ARTICLES. Everyday throughout the country, dozens of articles concerning flying saucers appear in local newspapers and magazines. Be on the lookout for these articles as they are worth points to you. For every

such article submitted you will receive: 12 points per line if it is used as the lead article; 10 points per line if it is used elsewhere on the first page; and 8 points per line if it is used elsewhere in the SENTINEL (not on the first page). When submitting articles be sure to include the date they appeared in print and in what publications.

MANUSCRIPTS. As mentioned in the masthead, we always invite our readers to send in manuscripts. Besides receiving full credit in the SENTINEL, you will be awarded 14 points per line if your work is published. (No fiction please!)

NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS. For every new subscription you secure for us, 25 points will be added to your score. Get all your friends to subscribe. So that you can receive credit, merely have them mention your name. (A sample copy will be sent free of charge to anyone not already on our lists).

LETTERS-TO-THE-EDITOR. We are always anxious to hear the views of our readers. Express your opinions on important saucer controversies. Jot your ideas down on a postcard and send them in. Ten points per line if published.

The address: The Saucer Sentinel, 6 Holland Court, Saginaw, Michigan.

FLYING SAUCERS AND CULTISTS

by Laura Marxer
(Flying Saucer Lecturer and a Director
of The Flying Saucer Research Society)

I speak for the countless volunteer civilian flying saucer researchers who are conducting a serious investigation of the presence of unidentified flying objects in the skies.

Especially, I speak for the local saucer investigation groups that have tried to point out to the press, these recent days, that the "Laughhead Messages" were from the "unknown physical realms" and had nothing to do with the serious "physical" investigation that has been done over the years by hundreds of conservative people through orthodox channels.

Apparently it suits the newspapers to ignore the differentiation, for they have not mentioned it.

It is only fair that we have an opportunity to state publicly that all of our local saucer investigation has been done from the physical plane on which we exist.

We neither condone nor refute psychism or extra-sensory preception. We do not go into it in our saucer researches.

A recent Detroit newspaper editorial stating that "the space brothers had lost caste" with the editor, automatically puts all saucer researchers in the public eye because the press has not bothered to properly analyze the situation and represent it fairly.

There are over 1500 volunteer civilian saucer researchers in Detroit and surrounding areas. Some of us have gone into personal financial debt because our own "physical" saucer experiences were of such substantial and serious nature that we feel that all that can be known about flying saucers should be known.

It would appear, under the circumstances, that we are an ignored minority.

Dr. Laughhead was one individual who, in his enthusiasm to find out all he could about saucers, used bad judgement and did what all of us have probably done at one time or another: allowed his ego to be appealed to by what he felt were authentic messages coming to him (from psychic sources).

More and more, too many people of integrity are seeing unusual things to discount them all. That individual, who feels free to judge another's reasoning, because he, himself, has not seen a saucer, deserves to have a tremendous sighting, all by himself, with no one to substantiate his story.

The editors who refuse to fairly differentiate between the Laughhead's "grievous human error" and the physical research that is being done by civilians everywhere deserve a like fate.

SOME NEW FACTS ABOUT "FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED"

Part I

- by James W. Moseley -

This article, which is appearing in serial form in the SENTINEL was written by James W. Moseley and originally appeared in his excellent saucerzine, NEXUS (see page nine). It is reprinted here by special permission of Mr. Moseley.

During the past few years, several dozen accounts have been given concerning alleged landings on this Planet by space ships, i.e., flying saucers from other worlds. It is my intention in the following article to consider in detail the most widely publicized of these stories, namely, the one told by Mr. George Adamski. This tale is given in detail in FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED (British Book Center, published 1953).

There are others besides myself who have studied the Adamski story, and their conclusions vary according to their own particular "bent" and also according to how thoroughly and how open-mindedly they have studied the evidence. To two of these fellow researchers - namely Mr. Jerrold Baker and Mr. John Pitt of Surrey, England - I am deeply indebted for some of the material I am about to present. I am also indebted for some of the material I am about to present. I am also indebted to other informants whom I am not at liberty to name. But in all due modesty, I must say that to the best of my knowledge very few researchers have made as complete a survey of the Adamski tale as I have. I have traveled personally through Arizona and California, interviewing all the principals mentioned in the story (with the exception of Mrs. Bailey), and through interviews and lengthy correspondence I have made it my business to obtain all possible details concerning the "inside story" of Adamski's portion of FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED. Therefore, I now proceed to give you - not opinions - but to the best of my knowledge and ability, facts, fully mindful of the libel laws which compel me not to deviate from the truth.

Point One: Taking these points more or less in the the order of their occurrence in the narrative, the first objection I raise is that Mr. Bloom, of the Point Loma Navy Laboratory, stated to me on the phone when I was in San Diego that he has been grossly misquoted in FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED. In particular, he claimed to have no knowledge whatsoever of a saucer landing in Mexico City.

Point Two: In the book is the following statement by Adamski: "If these (saucers) were secret experimental military devices, I would not be

allowed to copyright my photographs and send them so publicly through the mails. And I sent a set of them to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. In the interests of national security they would have stopped me, if I was photographing our own secret craft. They never have." - This statement is, in all probability, true; but the same arguments would apply if Adamski was photographing extra-terrestrial craft, if we are to assume that there are extra-terrestrial aircraft in our atmosphere, and that the Air Force does not want details or proof in regard to these objects to be given out to the public. The obvious conclusion is that Adamski is not photographing any sort of craft at all, that the Air Force knows this, and therefore does not bother him. (Note: Adamski has run into difficulty with "officialdom" only once, as far as I know, and that was for circulating among a group of "intimates" a ridiculous letter purporting to show that certain military officials back up the authenticity of his story and photos).

Point Three: When I first read FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED, I was impressed by the fact that Adamski's story was backed up by four people (the Baileys and the Williamsons) whom Adamski knew only slightly. Although the text does not explicitly say so, I came to the conclusion (as many other readers did, no doubt), that these four were impartial, reasonably conservative, well educated people, not prone to indulge in hoaxes or to be easily swayed by a hoax perpetrated upon themselves. I learned, however, from my own investigations, that all four were already ardent "believers" before they made the Nov. 20th contact, and that none had any particular educational advantages that would qualify them as expert and/or impartial observers. In particular, Williamson, though a pleasant enough young man, admits that he has no degree entitling himself to be called "doctor", even though he allows himself to be called "Dr. Williamson" throughout the book - just as Adamski among his friends and admirers (though not in the book), is known affectionately as "professor", without benefit of any degree. Put together, I think these facts add up to an entirely new picture of Adamski and his six witnesses. When we remember that two of Adamski's witnesses were close personal friends (one the owner of the property where he lives and the other his secretary), and when we find that none of the other four can be called either impartial OR objective, then, I believe, a new light is thrown on the whole situation.

Point Four: The photographs: (Here I) quote a few of the remarks made by Arthur C. Clarke in the Journal of the British Interplanetary Society, March 1954:

"Mr. Adamski's hobby is photographing flying saucers, and he is undoubtedly the most successful at this interesting art....There are (in the book) several close-ups of space ships, leaving no doubt that they are artifacts. The uncanny resemblance (of the "scout ships") to electric light fittings with table tennis balls fixed underneath them has already been pointed out.....To us, the perspective is all wrong, and though this is a qualitative impression perhaps not susceptible to rigorous proof, the pictures seem to be of small objects photographed from very close up and not of a large object seen through a telescope.

Many people, including, we suspect, Mr. Adamski, do not realize that a large object seen through a telescope bringing it to within 20 feet looks quite different from the object itself 20 feet away.....

"We have a much more serious comment, however, to make on photograph #3, which purports to show a fleet of saucers taking off from the moon. Alas, something has gone wrong here. We would like Mr. Adamski to account for the fact that one of his saucers appears to be inside the telescope.

This would not be apparent to anyone who was unacquainted with lunar geography, but an inspection of the background shows that the line of saucers is not clear of the Moon's edge - as appears at first sight, but extends off the field of view of the lens altogether. It is odd to say the least that Mr. Adamski's discriminating telescope is able to see a saucer and to ignore the Moon shining around it."

Getting back to the "scout ships", I was told by an eminent rocket engineer in Los Angeles that he had discovered the letters "G.E." for General Electric on the "landing gear" of the "scout ship" pictured in the book. These letters were found by blowing an original print of the photo to several times its normal size, and examining it carefully with a magnifying glass. I have every confidence in the integrity of the scientist who gave me this information, but it seems to me, on second thought, that even Adamski would not make such a crude mistake as this evidence would indicate. I therefore am inclined to believe that the "landing gear" are actually ping pong balls rather than light bulbs, though there is room for argument here.

Point Five: Disagreement among witnesses: At least one of Adamski's six sworn witnesses no longer upholds the account as presented in the book. Mr. Al Bailey, who is a railroad worker in Winslow, Arizona, told me in a personal interview that he did not see the space man with whom Adamski talked, nor did he see the "scout ship" that allegedly landed on the desert. He did see the "mother ship", and some flashes of light in the direction where Adamski was supposed to be during the contact. To the best of his knowledge, no one else present saw any more than he did. Furthermore, a drawing in the book, supposedly made by Alice Wells while watching Adamski and the Visitor through binoculars, could not in Bailey's opinion have been made from that distance (i.e., about a mile away), nor was it made that day as far as he knows. Although Bailey admits that Adamski's account is not true in all details, he feels that Adamski's contact may actually have taken place, though he himself cannot vouch for it. I therefore feel that, if a hoax was involved, Mr. Bailey was duped rather than being in on it, for he further states that he believes that the advance text of the book sent him by Adamski, and on the basis of which he made his sworn statement, was not the same text actually used in FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED.

These points are further borne out by a letter from Bailey to Mr. Baker, dated June 1st, 1954, from which I now quote: "I am well aware of the placement and disposition of all members of the party that day (Nov. 20th, 1952). I also feel sure that no one saw any more than I did. There is a possible exception and it is this: at the time of returning to the spot where the alleged footprints were. Just what transpired then, I have no way of knowing nor did I make any inquiries at the time...There is a remote chance that during this interval he too saw the space man...I will no longer place myself on record to back up or refute anyone in such a controversial escapade again with no better proof than was mine at that time."

Point Six: Mr. Al Chop, who, it has been noted, is quoted at length in the appendix of the book, told me in a personal interview that he is misquoted, and that he has considered suing Mr. Adamski because of this fact. Similarly, in a phone conversation with me, Fev Marley denied having made the statements attributed to him, and also denied the rumor, circulated by Adamski and a few of his admirers, that Marley had blown up one of Adamski's "scout ship" photos and found, in the blow-up, the head of a man looking out of one of the "portholes".

Point Seven: Burning questions left unanswered by the book: How did the Venusian's footprints turn out so well on desert sand, in an area in which, according to a West Coast informant, there had been no rain for several months?

In the book Adamski says that American aircraft were seen overhead on several occasions during the Nov. 20th contact. These planes were apparently trying to catch the "mother ship" and the "scout ship". Why, therefore, were the saucers not reported by the pilots of these aircraft? (If any such confirmatory evidence were available, Adamski would have it; and the fact that he does not have it, seems to indicate that there were no airplanes overhead that day).

If the space man was indeed from Venus, how was he able to defy every scientific principal by existing so easily and comfortably in the Earth's atmosphere, since it is a well known fact that the atmosphere, etc., on Venus is entirely different than ours? And how was the Venusian able to defy every law of probability by looking so similar to earth men?

Why did no one succeed in taking any movies or decent still pictures of the saucers seen during the Nov. 20th contact?

And last but not least, what was the necessity of Adamski having his companions remain at such a great distance during his contact? Could this have been to make it easier to perpetrate a hoax on some of his friends (those who were not co-conspirators)?

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news-release

SAUCER FLEET BROKEN UP

Leicester, England—Flying saucers by the hundreds landed on a highway here, smashing into thousands of pieces. Flying cups, too.

A truckload of china overturned.