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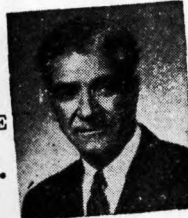
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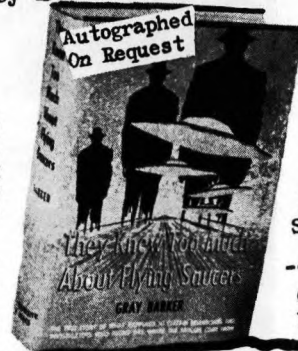
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"THEY KNEW TOO MUCH ABOUT FLYING SAUCERS"
--By--
Gray Barker

EDITORIAL: Well, here you have THE BULLETIN in a new size and format and the editor hopes the surprise is a pleasant one. Although we believed the former larger page size (with six pages) was an effective way to present saucer news, we have always had a "yen" to go back to a magazine-style format which we once had in the former THE SAUCERIAN.

In this first issue of our new Bulletin of increased size, we are bringing you feature material not possible with the old Bulletin, yet preserving the informality you liked so well. Although the type size is reduced slightly, the lines are not so long as before. You will find this issue much more easier to read, both because of the spacing and the smaller, magazine style pages.

We would like very much to go to 32 pages, so that we might present more feature material along with our news copy, and will do so, if our circulation keeps on climbing.

Please let us know what you think of the new Bulletin. If you like it, naturally we'll continue it in this size; if for any reason you do not like it, please let us hear from you. The Bulletin is YOUR publication, and we very much want to please you.

Although we do not hope to be able to present as elaborate a publication as the old THE SAUCERIAN of 1955 and before, we would like to approach it in size. It was dropped because it was inhumanly possible to get out a magazine that large. But by presenting THE BULLETIN in as informal a manner as possible we can get it out often, and current -- while the news is still hot. So if we have a misspelled word here and there, or make some other boner, do forgive us. To get the news to you quickly it is necessary for us to work rapidly.

In this issue we're leaving out a great deal of straight saucer accounts to bring you some more inside information about Otis T. Carr, the man who claims he conquered gravity. We have also taken much space to reproduce the controversial letter written to George Adamski from a correspondent who claimed he was from the U. S. Dept. of State. We're also bringing you a letter from George Adamski, commenting on the letter, and straightening out some mistakes we made in our last issue.

The letter has been called a hoax by many, and the Dept. of State has denied writing it. But regardless of the authenticity of the letter, it has certainly done flying saucer investigation no good. Once denied by the Dept. of State, the letter certainly has become a hoax in the minds of most people, and they will doubt serious and true data, not wishing to be fooled a second time. The saucer field is indeed confused enough (often, it seems, as if the confusion were organized) without the intrusion of such material.

Next issue we'll probably drop the Editorial altogether, and give this space to news, but we wanted to talk about our new size and format.

---Gray Barker

COVER PHOTOGRAPH: In January Ralph E. Nicholson, amateur astronomer of Patterson, N. J., was on his rooftop watching for Sputniks when instead he spotted this unusual UFO. He got a good look at the object through his telescope before hurriedly attaching his camera, and noted that no flames were visible to the eye and that he distinctly saw portholes. It "looked very solid," he told August C. Roberts, our Photographic Technician through whose courtesy we are able to reproduce this photo.

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Otis T. Carr, President
OTC Enterprises Incorporated

LATE REPORT ON OTIS T. CARR

In our last BULLETIN we published information on Otis T. Carr, Baltimore inventor who claims to have developed a flying saucer type of aircraft which will function on anti-gravitational principles. We promised to follow this up, so here is additional information.

Carr, pictured in drawing at left, ran a full page ad in the April 3, 1958, issue of The Baltimore Enterprise, in which he further outlined the claims for his inventions and developments, much along the same lines we reported to you in the last issue.

In the body of the ad were a number of questions and answers, such as:

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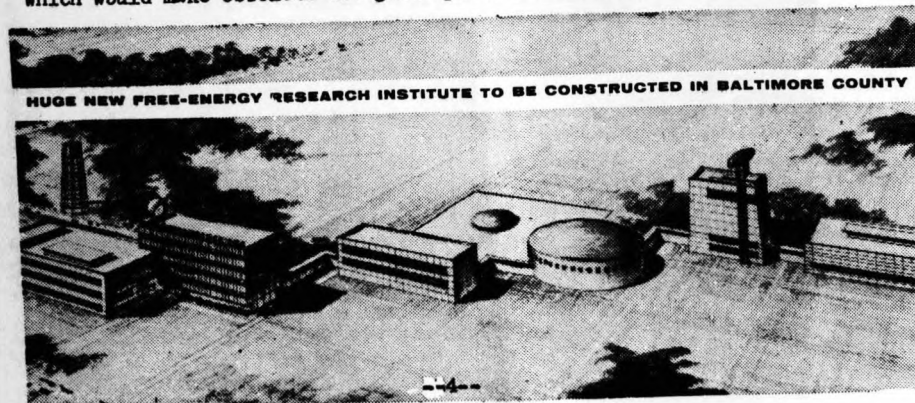
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How will Mr. Carr's flying saucer affect world economic conditions, the ad then asked; commented it would bring more prosperity to more people than any single invention in the history of the world. The world is hungry for power, the ad stated, and power sources, such as oil and coal, are rapidly dwindling. Since the OTC invention uses a kind of free energy obtained from literally out of the air, undreamed of power would be available, "and we will have undreamed of markets for every kind of goods and materials and appliances our factories and shops can turn out."

The introduction of such free-energy devices will not put people out of work, but create millions of new jobs, according to the ad.

Which reminds us of reasons we have heard attempting to explain why people from space haven't landed openly or why people haven't been told about saucers by their various governments: it was speculated that the saucers surely utilize a radically new and probably cheap power source, which would make obsolete the giant power industries, such as electricity



Carr worked for four years with Nikola Tesla - J.S. Review.

and coal. Such explainers may also find in the Government's cold-shouldering of Carr the same reasoning -- though such seems hardly likely in view of the arms race and our competition with Russia for the exploration of space. Surely an invention such as Carr's would make unnecessary the building of cumbersome rockets to push satellites into orbits and reach the moon.

The ad also showed an architect's drawing of OTC's proposed free energy institute to be built near Baltimore (see bottom opposite page).

But so far it appeared that Carr had developed no actual flying saucer which would fly, nor any machine he could demonstrate which would actually take power from the air and utilize it to do work. He had only shown a "mock-up" model of his saucer (pictured below with an artist's representation of his finished machine in flight).

THE BULLETIN asked one of its investigators, Eugene Villaret, who lives near Baltimore, to take a closer look-see at the Carr operation, and we now quote from his report:

"First, there seems to be a fairly sizable group involved. I have seen only Norman Colton, but the quarters at 2502 N. Calvert (illustrated above-- G.B.) look to be those of perhaps ten people. They employ a secretary, a lawyer, and evidently several public relations people.

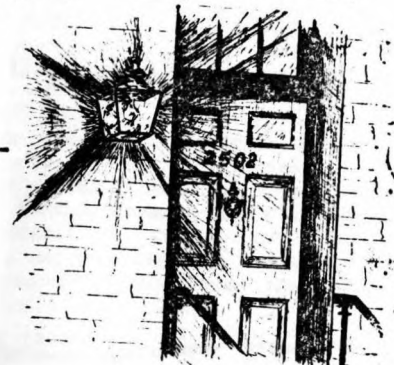
"Second, they are incorporated. Third, they seem to have been in business for some time without having run afoul of any laws.

"Fourth, their story is plausible. They are fighting hard against ridicule on the one hand, and extermination on the other. Colton showed me the correspondence they have had with the government in which the OTC case is plain and straightforward. He feels the U.S. turned them down because "vested interests" in league with the oil and automotive interests were naturally much opposed to any propulsion system that would put them out of business. I was also shown correspondence with a firm called Electromation Co., of Santa Monica, Calif., which indicated that Gerald B. Blackwell, general manager of the organization, was quite sold on Carr's ideas and was ready to help. I was told, however, that the Government stepped in because it has the firm under heavy contract, and could "lay down the law," so to speak.

"When this avenue was closed to them, OTC finally decided to take a chance and put on a public display. They have shied away from this course for so long because they fear as soon as the large vested interests become aware that Carr has really got something, they will knock themselves out to gain possession of or duplicate his devices, whereupon they will obtain patents and then squash the whole works. Carr has not patented his inventions because (allegedly) he is afraid the wrong people will be given access to the plans and he will lose out.

"All this, of course, according to Colton, the correspondence I saw, and the tapes he played for me. One of these, by the way, was of a radio or TV program in which an announcer questioned a UFO 'expert' whose name sounded something like Keyhoe, only it was a Major somebody-else, and who asserted that Carr really had something.

"Then, of course, there is the negative side to all this. The offices on Calvert St. are in a row of houses, the outside of which is just like any other row house -- no signs, no anything. The three floors inside have been redecorated at some expense, and offices made of the rooms.



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George Hunt Williamson served with the Army Air Corps during World War II as Radio Director for the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command. He received the Army Commendation Award from Brig. Gen. C. W. Lawrence for his outstanding record of service. He served as an instructor in Anthropology for the United States Armed Forces Institute.

He attended Cornell College, Eastern New Mexico University, the University of Arizona, and took a special course at the

University of Denver. He majored in anthropology with many courses in sociology, biology, philosophy and geology.

In 1948 he was awarded the coveted Gold Key for outstanding scientific research by the Illinois State Archaeological Society. He has spent a great deal of time doing field-work in Social Anthropology in the northern part of the United States, Mexico and Canada. He is an authority on Indian dances, music and ceremonial costuming.

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(REPORT ON O.T. CARR -- Continued)

When I telephoned, a female answered the ring. She sounded like a receptionist. I asked for Carr, but got Colton. On my visit I saw only Colton. He is an interesting man about 5' 6" in height, 145 lbs. in weight, sallow of complexion. His face seems that of a young man, prematurely aged. I would judge his age at about 40. His rhetoric is polished, so polished indeed that it sounds almost rehearsed. His explanations for why he cannot give demonstrations, why there are no patents, why they have not received recognition from the Government, all sound convincing at the moment -- but it still remains, disturbingly enough, that there is no evidence of anything tangible.

"I tried to find out where they obtain the money to run the organization and print their expensive literature, but no dice. They normally charge \$1.00 for the "kits" of explanatory literature, incidentally. Colton said they have just about completed legal requirements necessary for the issuance of stock, and he predicted much stock would be sold.

"About public demonstrations, he said a 10-ft. (diameter) space ship would definitely be demonstrated soon to the public -- within a month or so. The stock issue is also to begin in a month or so.

"I forgot to mention that on the top floor was a room set aside as 'The Workshop of O.T. Carr.' Inside I saw several of the strange little devices I mentioned in a previous report -- one of them beautifully machined. There was a quantity of tools a radio repair man might use, plus some wooden devices -- a two-foot long speedboat and some tolerably well-made mockups of the "spaceship," including the one shown in the photograph run in the last issue."

And there you have a report of an actual visit to OTC headquarters by our investigator, though in actuality it seems we have learned little more than we knew last issue. And although Carr has released what he termed the actual principles of his invention, the editor confesses his inability to make much sense of it, the terminology being so complicated. We'll see what you readers can make of it:

"Any vehicle accelerated to an axis rotation relative to its attractive inertial mass, immediately becomes activated by free-space-energy and acts as an independent force. An excellent example of this principle applied in practice is the fact that the satellites now orbiting the earth have achieved space-energy activation by an equivalent inertial velocity, and were it not for their susceptibility to internal or inherent physical deterioration, they would theoretically and factually be kept orbiting by natural space forces until the end of time in our solar system. These statements in evaluation of natural physical phenomena as first discerned and made public by Mr. Carr, have been physically tested in laboratory experiments by an impartial scientific laboratory and confirmed as follows: 'We have shown that a charged body, accelerated to an axis rotation relative to its attractive inertial mass, indicates polarity in a given direction. The dip-needle points, say, up toward the top of the body. But mount this whole rotating body, with its spindle, on another platform and rotate this platform on a spindle, then, if the counter-rotation is greater than the initial forward rotation of the body, a dip-needle on the second platform will point down while the first dip-needle points up, indicating the complete relativity of polarity. When the exact counter-rotation matches the forward rotation the body loses its polarity entirely and immediately becomes activated by free-energy (tensor stresses in space) and acts as an independent force.' Translated into familiar terms, this scientific explanation means that the above described assembly of counter-rotating charged masses becomes weightless and will escape the immediately attractive gravitational forces."

All the above, of course, according to OTC Enterprises, Inc.

IT IS INTERESTING TO NOTE that aside from the claims of Otis T. Carr, U.S. industry itself, under the sponsorship of the Government, has been working on anti-gravity development projects, probably since 1955.

Major Donald E. Keyhoe, being interviewed on a recent "Long John" radio show over WOR, New York, gave further insight into Uncle Sam's gravity research. When asked to review what he had said to members of a luncheon club about such secret projects, Keyhoe stated:

"I said that in the U. S. today there were probably 20 and at least a dozen projects doing research into artificial gravity. And that in one case, the Glenn Martin project, the vice president in charge of advance design, Mr. G. S. Trimble, said some time ago that we were on the threshold of a device which would operate free of the earth's gravity, and would operate at very high speeds -- in the very high thousands.

"Since then no one has heard from Mr. Trimble. Presumably he was shut up. He will not answer letters -- I've written him twice to obtain further views on this."

When asked if aircraft companies had a device in the testing stages, Keyhoe said:

"I won't go that far, because they won't admit it. They said that we were on the threshold. I do know they are working hard on artificial gravity, and they won't say a word about it. It's a special project -- several universities are working on it. They have some European scientists over here to work on the project."

Then Jules St. Germain, member of N.Y.'s Civilian Saucer Intelligence, who was participating on the show, asked:

"In your conversations with these various people, did they give you any indication of the line of attack -- was it an electrical field they were trying to produce, or was it magnetic -- or how were they going at it?"

Keyhoe: "You can't get any details on that now -- any really reliable ones. The theory, based on Einstein's Unified Field Theory, that electricity, magnetism and gravity are all different manifestations of the same thing -- if you can control one or two, then you can vary the other. I tried to get something out of W. B. Smith, who used to head the Canadian project. He said, 'I'll be glad to write anything on any subject except that one, and, you won't get anything from anyone on this because it's under security everywhere'."

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CLOSE ENCOUNTER WITH SAUCER: Unfortunately the following account, dispatched to THE BULLETIN in the form of a taped radio broadcast, does not carry a date, for which we must say "for shame!" to our good friend, J. H. Bruening, of the Mississippi State College. Rather than hold it up, we'll make deadline and supply the date in the next issue.

The station interviewing the Louisiana newscaster was WROB, West Point; here is the complete tape:

Ladies and gentlemen, I have on the telephone in Nakatocis,* La. at Radio Station KNOC, Mr. Norm Fletcher. Norm, just a few moments ago, put out a bulletin on the Mutual Broadcasting System Newsbeat concerning a mysterious object, which was sighted in his vicinity. Norm, if you don't mind, we would like very much to have the complete story on this.

Norm Fletcher: All right, fine, I'll give you the complete story as we have it written down at this particular time, beginning right where you should begin -- at the beginning.

"Mr., I don't drink -- I know my story sounds kinda thin, but I gotta believe my eyes!"

These were the words repeated over and over again by Mr. Haskell Raper, Jr., as he told his story here in Nakatocis last night and again this morning to the Louisiana State Police, sheriff's deputies, and intelligence officers from Fort Polk, La. Here's Mr. Raper's story:

He was coming home late last night from where he works in Shreveport. His home is at the community of Provençal (we aren't sure of the names of some of these towns, since the tape isn't very clear--G.B.), some 13 miles from the northwest central city of Nakatocis. Mr. Raper said it was late -- about 11 P.M. He was alone in his 1956 Ford car. The weather was rather bad, cloudy, had been raining. He was traveling rather fast -- about 80 miles per hour -- on a black topped road, trying to hurry and get home.

As he came over one of the hills, he noticed a big object in the road with a light beaming from it some 300 yards away. His first thought: a truck in the road; then the light flashed a beam directly on his car. Mr. Raper said he could feel his car begin to slow down, as if a strong pressure were being applied to the front of it. When the car finally came to a complete halt, it was some 15 ft. away from this object.

Mr. Raper said he felt his car heating up. In front of him was a strong light, approximately one foot in diameter, and the light was shining directly at the front of his car, coming from a footballish-shaped object. As best he could see by the blinding light, the object was about 15 ft. wide or long, and some 9 ft. high, with an extended border or fringe around it. Mr. Raper said it was greenish in color -- in his words, "like drab Army green." Mr. Raper said it did have markings in English. The letters, "U N" -- with some numbers after them that he couldn't remember.

When his car began to heat up, he got out, jumped in the ditch on the side of the road. He looked up and saw smoke rising from up under the car dashboard. Then the car's engine burst into flame. Mr. Raper said the object then "cranked up" -- those are his words -- sounding like a big Diesel engine. It then lifted straight off the ground, disappeared in the clouds above.

The gas tank of the car then exploded, and his car is now a complete and total loss. Mr. Raper then awoke the marshall of the town of Provençal, about a mile from the scene, who, in turn, notified authorities.

Mr. Raper has worked in Shreveport for the past ten years as a welder. He is 32 years old. Mr. Raper finished the fourth grade. He does have a slight speech impediment of stuttering. According to the information we've been able to dig up, he is what you would call a good country man. He was sincere in his story, and not overly dramatic. His car was fully insured. Sheriff Earl Norris said all the people of the Provençal area who know Mr. Raper back his character, his reputation, and they back strongly his stability. We talked with his employer in Shreveport just a few minutes ago, and his employer states that Mr. Raper is a good worker, level headed, not known to be a day dreamer or a producer of fable tales.

*Correct spelling: Nachitoches --9--

MORE ON THE CONTROVERSIAL STATE DEPARTMENT LETTER

Last issue THE BULLETIN had the pleasure (if dubious) of being the first publication to carry information on the U. S. State Dept. letter, which George Adamski, author of two flying saucer books, said he had received on official stationery -- and even furnished photostats to prove it. Since by now other publications have printed the letter, THE BULLETIN can see no harm in also reproducing it. The letter follows:

Prof. George Adamski
Star Route
Valley Center
California.

My dear Professor:

For the time being, let us consider this a personal letter and not to be construed as an official communication of the Department. I speak on behalf of only a part of our people here in regard to the controversial matter of the UFO, but I might add that my group has been outspoken in its criticism of official policy.

We have also criticized the self-assumed role of our Air Force in usurping the role of chief investigating agency on the UFO. Your own experiences will lead you to know already that the Department has done its own research and has been able to arrive at a number of sound conclusions. It will no doubt please you to know that the Department has on file a great deal of confirmatory evidence bearing out your own claims, which, as both of us must realize, are controversial, and have been disputed generally.

While certainly the Department cannot publicly confirm your experiences, it can, I believe, with propriety, encourage your work and your communication of what you sincerely believe should be told to our American public.

In the event you are in Washington, I do hope you will stop by for an informal talk. I expect to be away from Washington during most of February, but should return by the last week of that month.

Sincerely,
(Signed) R. E. Straith, Cultural Exchange Committee.

Although the skepticism we expressed about the authenticity of this letter in our last BULLETIN was certainly justified, particularly in view of the Government denial, we wish to run the following letter by George Adamski, taking issue with our attitude. We also wish to apologize for the erroneous information about Adamski's alleged predictions and his alleged press conference, which we published, and which is corrected in Adamski's letter.

COSMIC SCIENCE
Star Route, Valley Center, California

Dear Mr. Barker:

Thanks very much for THE BULLETIN, which arrived on my last mail delivery, and has been read with much interest. I wonder, do you intend to reproduce the letter in your next edition, just to clear all the facts in the people's minds?

I was somewhat surprised at your apparent attitude, expressed in the fourth paragraph on page 6 of the May 1, BULLETIN, implying that I was betraying a trust. This, I have never done. Please reread the third paragraph of Mr. Straith's letter, of which you have a photostat (Adamski then quotes the third paragraph of letter reproduced above--G.B.).

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How else could this paragraph be interpreted except that I share this information with the public? Had he said he was writing only to encourage me, asking me to keep it confidential, I assure you no one would have heard of the letter.

As for the authenticity of the letter, I wonder how many people know that the Seal of State, impressed just above the salutation on the letter, and clearly visible in the photostat, is never impressed until after a letter is written and signed. This Seal is highly guarded and only certain people are permitted the privilege of using it.

Another angle that seems so strange in this entire matter, is the fact that at times the official attitude has been that the craft moving through our atmosphere, and being sighted over every nation, are not of this world. Then, a short time later, they will refute their own statement. Yet, in spite of every effort there remains an interesting percentage that cannot be explained except as coming from out of this world. Furthermore, from time to time government officials have publicly stated their belief in these interplanetary craft. Why, then, do even those who staunchly support the reality of these craft continue to frown upon admitting the actuality of personal contacts with the people manning these ships?

When we succeed in reaching the moon, will we not land and contact the inhabitants? When we reach further out in space to other planets, will we not be intensely interested in the living habits of the people as well as conditions surrounding that planet? Then why should we think it strange that people from other worlds are taking the same interest in us?

I have been told that the governments of Brazil and Venezuela have officially admitted that certain sightings in their countries were "not of Earth air craft." I have also been told that Russia is investigating public interest in this subject, and is about ready to release authoritative information on it.

As you say, and I quote (from the May 1st BULLETIN--G.B.): "For regardless of whether or not the government, the AF or the Department of State believes that Adamski actually met space people, it would be too much of an about-face to officially endorse saucers from space at this time." Unquote. I agree that it will be an official "about-face," but it matters not whether it comes now, or ten years from now, the same state of affairs will prevail!

So why wait? The longer we wait, the harder it will be to admit. In the meantime, we are sliding out of our seat as the leading nation to whom people of the world can look for true fact. We are relinquishing this to other nations who have the courage to release to the people the records of their official files.

I wish to state emphatically that the information in the fifth paragraph on Page 6 of the May 1 BULLETIN is totally false. I am at a loss to know the source of the "press conference" wherein I received "confirmation from the Air Force." I never have held such a conference, nor have I made such claims. That would be foolish! I have sent photostats of the letter from Mr. Straith to many nations, where it has been widely displayed. These people are now awaiting U. S. admission, and as one correspondent from abroad wrote, Quote: "This whole thing could be a comedy, if it were not so tragic. The U. S. A. Government knows the facts, the people know that the government knows, and the government knows that the people know, but nobody is doing anything about it." Unquote.

Apparently, the same source from which you quoted was responsible for the statement that a mass landing was scheduled for February. These often repeated predictions come from mystical sources, but have never yet come from the real, flesh and blood space travelers. So far as I have been told, there is no such plan being considered by them at this time. And everyone who knows me, knows that I have never made a prediction of a landing at any time!

May I add here a word of congratulations to Kenneth Arnold. I fully understand his attitude, and have done exactly the same thing in regard to a number of programs for the same reason. I intend to continue this policy,

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because I will not betray that which I know to be Truth by lending myself to distortion of any kind.

With kind regards to you always,

Very sincerely,

(signed) George Adamski

THE STRAITH LETTER CAUSED SOME EXCITEMENT IN LONDON, when Desmond Leslie, co-author with Adamski of "FLYING SAUCERS HAVE LANDED," held a press conference, in which he announced Adamski's receipt of the letter and gave copies to the press. Indicative of the interest shown in London was the fact that the staid London Times ran a 12^{1/2}" story about it.

John Pitt, an editor of Britain's leading spiritualist newspaper, "PSYCHIC NEWS," ran a six-column spread about the conference and the letter, entitled "CONCRETE SAUCER EVIDENCE CRACKS". Pitt based his article mainly on an interview he had with a press relations officer at the United States Information Service in London.

It is well to remind readers that Pitt certainly isn't going out of his way to put a feather in Adamski's cap -- for he has long been known to be one of Adamski's -- and Leslie's -- most violent critics, having published articles previously in opposition to their claims.

Pitt reported that immediately after the press conference an official statement came from Washington in reply to inquiries, as follows:

"The American Embassy has received a number of inquiries concerning a purported Department of State letter, photostats of which were made available at a London press conference Wednesday. A check made with Washington on a copy of the photostat supplied to the Embassy has resulted in the following information:

"1. We have no record of any person by the name of R. E. Straith as connected with the Department of State nor any record of any person by this name ever having been connected with this department.

"2. There is no division or branch of the Department of State with the title 'Cultural Exchange Committee.'

"3. The department is looking into the matter to investigate the possibility of misuse of official departmental letterhead."

The Press Relations Officer told Pitt that the layout of the letter did not conform with carefully detailed instructions that are issued to State Department employees on how letters should be composed.

For one thing, the letter was written on embossed stationery -- a type used only for top-level inter-departmental correspondence -- never to members of the public. The letter had not been posted in the normal manner, that of franking, but put into a mail box in the city of Washington.

Then Pitt said in the article, "There was something hopelessly wrong with the signature. It was not written in the simple, slapdash, effortless scrawl that people use who sign many letters. It was far too studied, had variations in its slope, and had clearly been drawn with obvious care by somebody who had never written that signature before in his or her life."

Pitt added that the spacing, indenting, and position of signature did not confirm with the style of official letters.

IF THE LETTER IS INDEED A HOAX, there remains the question of who wrote it and for what purpose. Surely not a good purpose -- in fact the thing would smell of almost diabolical evil.

Why would it be written? To get Adamski into trouble with the State Department? Hardly, for as far as Adamski would know, the letter was authentic. There seems to have been a much more clever, and much more reprehensible motive. According to Pitt, the letter obviously departed from the format used by such official letters--so much so it seems that the writer was making it EASY for the letter to be "e posed." If a hoax, did the writer INTEND for it to be denied, and written so that such a denial would be immediately believed? Such an exposure would not only cause more confusion about the reality of saucers, but would create disbelief in Adamski's

teachings, AND TEND TO MAKE THE ENTIRE FIELD OF CIVILIAN SAUCER RESEARCH A THING TO BE TAKEN AS A BIG JOKE.

It would seem that the person writing the letter certainly knows his way around. He or she had access to Government stationery. If the name, "Straith," had been invented, the inventor had been careful to make up a name that did not appear in the Washington telephone directory.

There has been a great deal of talk about "Silence Groups" and the like by myself and others. But we always encounter a very strong, and often frightening blank wall. If we could accuse our government of such activities, our editorial task would be easier; but somehow it doesn't seem to be as simple as all that.

The three men who visited Albert K. Bender would seem to be government agents of some sort, but when you think it out clearly, you can't quite believe that. Do there exist agencies of an almost supra-governmental nature, which, because of their secrecy, are not known about generally even in the government itself? Fantastic? Maybe. Or are there some sort of private "Silence Groups," functioning with some evil and unknown purpose? If such an agency or agencies are functioning, they have done their job very well. They have created and maintained a crack-pottish connotation for saucer research. They have created organized confusion. Some, who really knew, were silenced, perhaps, by other means.

The three men, however spooky in their dramatic black garb, are, after all, much easier to deal with than the less-tangible but even more diabolical techniques, such as the Straith letter may well represent. For these intangible demons can be dealt with only by the careful exercise of human logic and the human heart. In facing such a combatant bear in mind that you are facing logic that does not always follow a logical pattern--almost as if you were dealing with some alien intelligence that does not think in terrestrial terms (though we are certainly not suggesting that a space man wrote the Straith letter).

And the Editor thinks that when the truth finally does all come out, those of us who have tried to keep open minds will be those who will have been closer to this truth.

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SAUCERDOINGS HERE AND THERE

IF YOU RECEIVE A LETTER FROM "REMENTIAN PROXIMIAN AERO FORCES" inquiring about your sighting don't be led to believe you have received an official Air Force inquiry. John D. Palmer, an AF man, operates a private investigative organization by this name, and writes to many who have seen saucers.....THE AERIAL PHENOMENA RESEARCH GROUP, headed by Robt. J. Gribble, and which published "FLYING SAUCER REVIEW" and lately "THE A.P.R.G. REPORTER," has closed down. Group is not to be confused with A.P.R.O. of Almagordo, N.M., headed by Coral E. Lorenzen, which is still functioning.

THE VICIOUS HOAX LETTER which a recent N.I.C.A.P. confidential bulletin mentioned was not received by that organization, but was addressed to Mr. Lex Mebane, of NYC's Civilian Saucer Intelligence. The letter contained a diatribe against one of C.S.I.'s members, was quite similar in format and type style to that addressed to Adamski (See Page 10). Mebane told me in a telephone conversation that A.P.R.O. also received a letter, that one threatening. We understand that so far no action has been taken by these organizations, but should any more letters be received, someone will be in a mess of trouble -- and Mebane says he has a good idea of who the perpetrator is!

Kenneth Arnold did not appear on the Armstrong Circle Theatre saucer program because the producers limited his script to what he termed "half truths." He said his code of ethics forbade his appearing on a program so one sided he felt it would mislead the public. He called the script "too distorted, as to bear little resemblance to the truth." If we could afford some sort of "saucer award of the month," it surely would go to Ken. Also kudos to Keyhoe for making the best possible of a bad situation.

REINHOLD SCHMIDT, who said he entered some kind of space ship in Kearney, Nebr., back in November, now claims to have had further contact with the same people he met initially -- or those like them. Schmidt, however, has never claimed that the people come from space. He lecturing widely, often on the same platform with Maj. Wayne Aho.

T. JAMES, author of SEACEMEN, FRIENDS AND FOES, will shortly bring out another book, this one in hard cover and containing many photos. And James may have something startling to say at the saucer convention at Giant Rock which will be held over the Memorial holidays. Controversy is still raging about T. Lobsang Rampa and "THE THIRD EYE," written by an alleged Tibetan Lama. Now Dana Howard (author of "MY TRIP TO VENUS") has written a book in defense of Rampa titled "THE STRANGE CASE OF T. LOBSANG RAMPA." We can supply at \$1.50.


THE NEW YORK SAUCER INFORMATION BUREAU has been formed in that city. Address: P.O. Box 26, Planetarium Station, N.Y. 24. Group is pro-contact and is asking the U.N. to try and do something about release of saucer information by various governments. D. W. Opperman Opperman, publisher of the former excellent SAUCER SENTINEL is now back into saucering with a very fine new publication, UFO DIGEST. Published quarterly, four issues for a buck and your editor highly recommends it.

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE is now into the saucer act. Evidently Daddy Warbucks is responsible for all those things flying about. If Daddy Warbucks is so rich as claimed in the strip, why does he let his "orphaned" daughter roam all over and get into no end of trouble, half starve, etc.?? WE ALSO RECOMMEND another new saucerzine, UFO JOURNAL, published in cooperation with the Saginaw, Mich., UFO Research Group. New zine is titled THE UFO JOURNAL. Published monthly, \$3.00 per year.

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Later that same evening (at Quarouble, Sept. 10, 1954--G.B.), 300 miles to the north, near Valenciennes, another man is going through an even stranger experience. He is Marius Dewilde, 34 years old, married, the father of a family, a metal worker in the Blanc-Misseron steel mills on the Belgian frontier. He has the reputation of being a reliable man on the job, a good worker, anything but a visionary -- in fact a man very much like Antoine Mazaud (Mazaud is mentioned earlier in connection with another spectacular landing--G.B.).

He lives with his family in a little house isolated in the midst of woods and fields, about a mile from the village of Quarouble. In front of the house there is a small fenced garden. Alongside this garden runs the National Coal Mines railway track from St-Amand-les-Eaux to Blanc-Misseron, and grade crossing No. 79 is next to his house.

This is M. Dewilde's story, taken down by investigators.

"My wife and son had just gone to bed, and I was reading by the fire. The clock over the kitchen stove said 10:30 when my attention was attracted by my dog Kiki's barking. The animal was howling loud enough to wake the dead. Thinking there must be a prowler in my hard, I took my flashlight and went out.

"When I got to the garden, I noticed on the railroad track, less than six yards from my door, on the left, a sort of dark mass. Some farmer left his cart there, I thought at first. I'll have to tell the station men first thing in the morning to take it away, or we'll have an accident." (Farmers do sometimes use the railbed as a road during the harvest, because in that marshy country the motor roads are in poor condition.

"Just then," M. Dewilde went on, "my dog came up to me, crawling on her belly, and all at once I heard hurried footsteps on my right. There is a path there that we call the 'smuggler's path,' for they sometimes use it at night. Kiki turned toward the sound and started barking again. I turned on my flashlight and directed its beam toward the path.

"What I saw had nothing to do with smugglers. Two creatures such as I had never seen before were not more than three or four yards away from me, right behind the fence, the only thing that separated us, walking along one behind the other toward the dark mass that I had noticed on the track.

"The one in front turned around toward me. The beam of my light caught a reflection from glass or metal where his face should have been. I had the distinct impression that his head was enclosed in a diver's helmet. In fact, both creatures were dressed in one-piece outfits like the suits that divers wear. They were very short, probably less than three and a half feet tall, but very wide in the shoulders, and the helmets protecting their 'heads' looked enormous. I could see their legs, small in proportion to their height, it seemed to me, but on the other hand I couldn't see any arms. I don't know whether they had any.

"When the first seconds of stunned amazement had passed, I rushed toward the garden gate, intending to go around back of the fence and cut them off from the path, to try to get hold of at least one of them."

(Michel then relates how a beam of light stunned Dewilde, allowing the little men to escape, and how concrete evidence of the sighting was found by investigators. Latest other new saucer book now out is "FLYING SAUCER REVIEW ROUNDUP," a saucer review of the year 1957, and taken from the outstanding British publication, "FLYING SAUCER REVIEW." You can order "FLYING SAUCER REVIEW ROUNDUP" from Saucerian Publications, at \$3.75 per copy.