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Members of Japan Space Phenomena Society visit MUFON.
2nd from right, Peter Tomikawa, interpreter; 3rd from right,
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FROM THE EDITOR

The Journal is not — and will not be under my editorship — a "Bible for believers." We are not convinced that reported abductions are real, that hypnosis is a reliable tool for establishing the truth, that the psychological stress evaluator or the polygraph ("lie detector") are unquestionably reliable instruments, that computer enhancement of UFO photographs can often establish their validity, or that there is any simple short-cut to truth anywhere. The burden of proof is on those who make such extravagant claims or who by their actions clearly make such assumptions.

The road to truth is a difficult one involving dialogue, dissent, logic, hypotheses, and empirical facts. We welcome critiques of any articles or reports published here, for we are not reporting dogma. Theories based on structures of sand, particularly, deserve criticism. The vagaries of human psychology and the known unreliability of hypnosis as a guarantor of truth combine to make abduction reports a knotty problem for investigation. Those who accept them as valid presently must be considered supremely naive. That is not to say that all are false, but simply that, if true, proof will be very difficult. So far all we have are mutually contradictory stories without proof.

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Delegates from J.S.P.S Visit Texas

By Walt Andrus

On August 5, 1979, five members of the Japan Space Phenomena Society (JSPS) flew from Los Angeles, Calif., to visit MUFON headquarters in Seguin, Texas, accompanied by Peter Tomikawa who commuted from New York City to act as their guide. The delegation was headed by Shinichiro Namiki, President of J.S.P.S. The following men spent a few hours visiting with the International Director, making group photographs, and purchasing back issues of SKYLOOK and MUFON UFO Symposium Proceedings for 1973, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978 and 1979: Hiroshi Kitajima (employed by INTEL Japan K.K.), Niwa Kozo, Satoshi Ohtsuki, and Tadashi Kosaku. All of these men live in Tokyo except Niwa Kozo who resides in Aichi-Ken. Since all five of them are currently subscribers to the MUFON UFO JOURNAL, they were very interested in obtaining copies of SKYLOOK prior to June 1976 when the name of our monthly magazine was changed to better reflect the organization's name and professional caliber of the contents.

The enthusiasm which these gentlemen expressed during their visit was far beyond my expectations. They feel that the United States is more advanced in UFO research than Japan, therefore they are anxious to read as much of our scientific data as possible. After being guests of MUFON, the group drove to Austin, Texas to visit Project Starlight International, hosted by Ray Stanford, the Director, on Sunday afternoon.

As the interpreter for the group, Peter Tomikawa translated their individual statements when they enthusiastically said "Visiting MUFON was a dream coming true." It was an honor to have these gentlemen visit our office in Seguin, Texas, although they had previously viewed portions of it on

a Japanese TV network program in October 1978. Both the 1978 and 1979 MUFON symposiums have been featured in the leading Japanese news stand magazine "UFOs and Space", therefore their comment was "Everybody knows about MUFON in Japan." Peter Tomikawa is to be congratulated for providing color photographs and a review of the speakers' presentations to the Magazine in Japan. Twelve pages were devoted to the 1978 MUFON symposium in Dayton, Ohio. The cover

page for the article was a reproduction of the 1978 MUFON Symposium Proceedings cover designed by Donald Tucker, depicting close encounters of the first, second, third, and fourth kinds.

MUFON's Sectional Director for the southern Japanese islands, Mr. Takao Ikeda, also a member of J.S.P.S., was unable to make this visit therefore their President, Mr. Namiki spoke for him and relayed his personal greeting from MUFON-Japan.

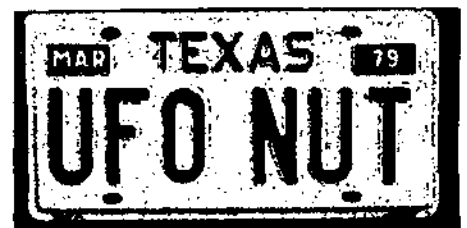
MUFON AUTOMOBILE LICENSE PLATES

By Walt Andrus

In the states of Texas, California and several others, special auto license plates may be obtained with any combination of six letters and numbers so as to personalize the identification. Starting in 1953 when Illinois first permitted amateur radio call letters on license plates, your director always had plates with his F.C.C. assigned call letters "W9KRC". Since moving to Texas in 1975 and receiving new amateur call letters -- W5VRN, I elected to take advantage of the personalized privileges in Texas and requested -- what else "MUFON", feeling that this was far more significant as a means of identification. Other MUFON members in Texas could request MUFON "1 through 9" if they so desired for their automobiles giving greater flexibility and range.

John F. Schuessler, Deputy Director, has the personalized license plates "UFO-NUT" which creates considerable conversation at the NASA Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center where he works. At the 1979 MUFON Symposium in Burlingame, Calif., your director noted a vehicle parked in front of the Airport Marina Hotel with California license plates

"MUFON", but I was unable to identify the owner, (probably one of our State Section Directors). Marvin E. Taylor, Assistant State Director for Northern California combined the study of the phenomena with his initials and has "UFO-MET", however this has caused filling station operators to ask him "when he met a UFO?" Victor Johnston, formerly living near Oklahoma City, had the Oklahoma license plates "UFO", but now has conventional plates after moving to Mineral Wells, Texas. Our Japanese visitors always take pictures of my license plates as a memento of their visit to MUFON. Yu "Masaru" Mori, MUFON Sectional Director for Northern Japan, was our first visitor to take photographs back to Japan. Personally, I am proud to be identified with MUFON -- how about you?



CANARY ISLANDS SIGHTING: CYLINDRICAL OBJECT PHOTOGRAPHED

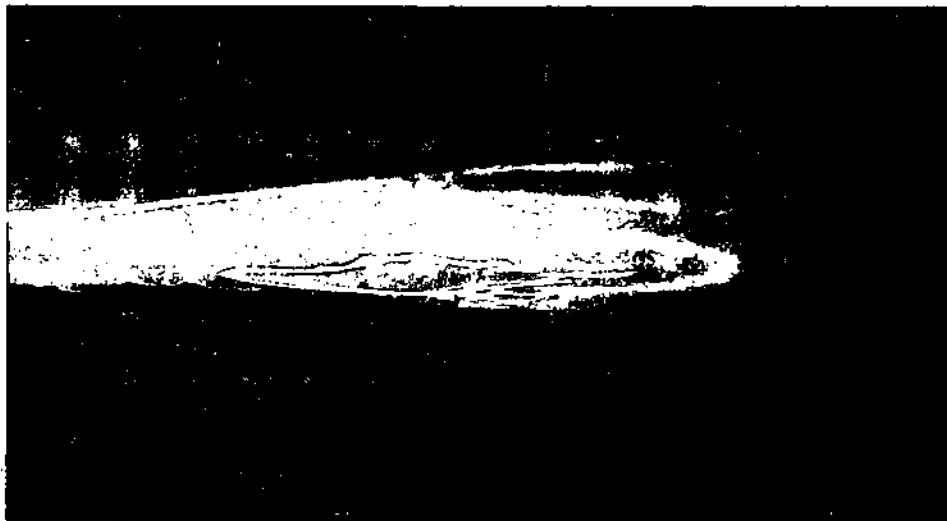
By William G. Hinrichsen
(MUFON Continental Coordinator for South America)

(The following account of a sighting over the Canary Islands, was told to Mr. Hinrichsen by Mr. Guillermo N. Lijtmaer on August 8, 1979, during a personal interview in Laguna Niguel, Calif. Whether or not the phenomenon was UFO related remains to be determined. A rocket or missile firing cannot be ruled out at this stage.--Editor)

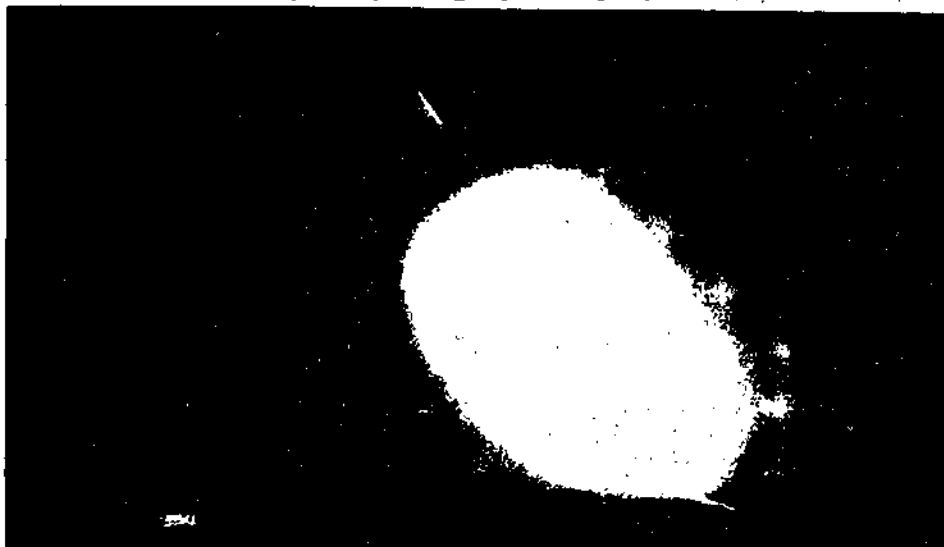
Mr. Guillermo N. Lijtmaer, a professional photographer from Buenos Aires, Argentina, had been traveling through Europe with his wife and two small daughters since November 1978. On March 5, 1979, he was in the Canary Islands; on the west coast of Tenerife, to be precise.

That evening, Mr. Lijtmaer was on the roof of the apartment building where he was staying, taking pictures of an extraordinary display of colors in the sky.¹ All the colors of the spectrum could be observed which had formed a pattern of concentric spirals (elliptical shape). This display lasted for about 45 minutes in the black sky, since the sun had already disappeared below the horizon.

Mr. Lijtmaer took a total of five pictures of the lights; one each time that the pattern seemed to change in shape and intensity. It was close to 7:30 PM when he decided to come down from the roof. On the way to his apartment he was met by one of the residents of the apartment complex who asked him to come in and watch the UFO from his window. Mr. Lijtmaer responded, "What UFO? Those are just lights in the sky." The neighbor told him to wait and that he would be able to see a UFO. He said that he knew this because he had seen the same phenomenon a few years before in another country. By this time the colors in the sky had started to dissipate, diminishing in intensity.



The sunset photographed by Lijtmaer



Cylindrical object, upper left of bright glow

As Mr. Lijtmaer approached the window, the "UFO" suddenly appeared. After crossing the lights in the sky, it seemed to slow down considerably, and changed its course twice², as it shot straight out at a slight angle and disappeared. The object itself wasn't quite visible as it was ejecting something like sparks which formed like a big thick halo taking the shape of a gigantic bulb as it expanded. No noise

1. The original sunset photo colors are indeed spectacular. We regret that back and white reproduction is necessary.--Ed.

2. This might possible corroborate the statement made to the National Enquirer (July 24, 1979) by airline pilot Eufonio Garcia Monforto, who was climbing out of 8,700 feet from Grand Canary bound for Mauritania, Africa. "It was on a collision course with us, but it suddenly changed heading and began to climb at fantastic speed." He saw it as "cigar-shaped (and) metallic."

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MINDALORE CASE FOLLOW-UP

By Cynthia Hind
(MUFON Field Investigator)

(This South African landing case was reported in Journal No. 134, Mar.-Apr. 1979-Editor)

You will recall that in the Meagan and Andre Quezet case at Mindalore, near Krugersdorp, South Africa, on the night of January 3/4 of this year, Meagan's story was discredited by Frank Morton, NICAP investigator in South Africa. Morton gave several reasons:

- (a) The neighbors (I have been unable to find out if only one neighbor was involved, or several) reported that Meagan was "highly imaginative."
- (b) She did not immediately wake her husband Paul to tell him of her experience. (I have already explained that Paul was not a well man and an insomniac. I also feel that rapport between husband and wife is not too good.)
- (c) There were no physical marks left on the tarmac where the craft was supposed to have landed.

(d) Morton said Meagan would

(Canary Islands, Continued)

was heard before, during, or after the sighting. Mr. Lijtmaer did not have a chance to fully see the spectacle because he was busy setting up the camera on the tripod and taking pictures. He was able to obtain three photographs before it vanished. Mr. Lijtmaer used a Nikon EL camera with automatic exposure, and Fuji film ASA 100.

Preliminary Spanish investigations placed the event, which had been seen from four different islands, at a distance of approximately 200 km.

not take a lie-detector test. (This is not true. She agreed to this when I saw her on the 11th January.)

- (e) Morton said Meagan would not undergo hypnosis. (This was true at the time as she believed it would prove harmful. I did not try and persuade her; I merely pointed out the benefits and assured her she would come to no harm. After some thought, she agreed but wanted me to be there.)

I live in Zimbabwe-Rhodesia 1,250 kms from Johannesburg, and it is not easy to fly down there at a moment's notice. However, I was invited to do a UFO documentary with the S.A. Broadcasting Corporation in Durban and I found that I could fly via Johannesburg at no extra cost. I managed to contact Dr. Bernard Levinson, an eminent psychiatrist, who, at the request of the NATIONAL ENQUIRER, had worked with the four boys involved in the Groendal Reserve case. (See Journal No. 131, Oct. 1978.) He agreed to regress Megan during the 24 hours I would be in Johannesburg.

I met Meagan on the morning of the 21st June and at 11 a.m. we arrived at Dr. Levinson's office. The actual regression was taped, and I am giving you a full transcript of this. As the case progressed, I realized that Meagan was often repeating words that were addressed to her. To clarify this position, I am underlining these particular words. I must also point out that I have not interrupted Meagan's speech with questions from the psychiatrist where I have felt this was not necessary. It would only spoil the continuity. I would also like you to bear in mind that Dr. Levinson is not involved in the

UFO question and knows very little about it. There were many questions which could have been asked and I want to try and have a follow-up to this initial regression. Also, I would like to persuade Meagan to allow Dr. Levinson to regress Andre, but I doubt if she will allow that.

Meagan: There's a strange light. I'm walking towards it with Andre.

Question: What are you wearing?

Meagan: A flimsy dress. It's a bit chilly for that night. The clouds are low. Andre and I are walking up there because it looks like a plane has come down. I'm sure it's a plane that's come down. I get there. It's not a plane. Some funny thing. . . . something. I don't know what it is. (Deep sigh) Andre's behind me. I want to go and see if I can help. Something odd. Not an ordinary plane. (Whispering) Not an ordinary one. Something strange. It's got a funny light on the top, a very funny light. Odd light. Pink glow there. Something very strange. Some people are getting out. (Softly) Look, Andre. Look Andre, look. Funny suits on. There're two men talking. Others are walking on the other side. They bend down. They come up. Now the one sees me. (Whispering) He sees me. He sees me!

Question: Is it very quiet? Has it got a noise?

Meagan: No, it's just a bit windy.
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(Mindalore, Continued)

Windy night. Not too windy.
Funny man. He's got a beard. He looks at me.
(Laugh) Funny man. He's got dark skin, but he's funnily dressed. Funnily, he's odd. But he hasn't got anything on his head although the other one has. And so have the others, except for one other. Strange, very odd. I want to ask if I can help. . . if they're hurt. But they don't look hurt. It's an odd looking thing. Looks a bit like an egg. (Deep sigh)

Question: What's happening now?

Meagan: He saw me, and he saw Andre. (Laughs) Funny. I think he got a bit of a fright as well. He bowed to me and he looked into my eyes. He looked into my eyes.

Question: What do his eyes look like?

Meagan: Ordinary eyes.

Question: How close were you?

Meagan: Quite close, not too far away. About 3,4 ft. 5 ft. 6 ft. I'm not sure. Six feet is about the size of a person. Yes, about that. About that. (Long pause)

Question: What's happening now?

Meagan: He's asking me . . . he's asking me. (Louder) He wants me to go in. He wants me to go in but I can't go in. I can't go in, I've got children. (Agitated) I've got children. (Loudly) He wants me to go in but I can't go . . . he wants me to go away but I've got children. I can't go in. Come and look at Andre. Look at Andre. Andre, come here. (Deep sigh)

Question: What's happening now?
What are they doing to you?

Meagan: Come. Come away. Look into my eyes. (Barely audible) Come. No, I can't go in. I've got to go. (Agitated) I've got children.

Question: Are they touching you?

Meagan: Yes, he's pulling me by my arm. (Shouting, very loudly) Andre, go and get

your father! I can't, you know. I've got children. They'd miss me very badly, you know. (Softly) Very badly. (Whispering) They love me. I can't go away.

Question: What are they doing now?

Meagan: Come inside - have a look. Have a look.

Question: What language is he talking?

Meagan: He's talking in English. (Pause) Why can't he talk in English?

Question: What's he saying to you?

Meagan: Come inside, come and have a look. You know we'd like to take you away. It's a lovely place where we are. Very nice. (Softly) You'd be happy there. But what about my other child? He's the smallest, he'd be very scared on his own. Very scared. I can't allow him to be left on his own. Look into my eyes. Yes, I am looking into your eyes. Look into my eyes. Look into my eyes.

Question: What's he doing to you?

Meagan: He's standing there. He's telling me to look into his eyes. He's not bad. He's not trying to be horrible. I think he just wants me to go away. . . (Louder) But I can't go away. I've got children. I don't think my husband would mind, but what about my child? (Whispering) What about my little one? I can't leave him.

Question: Do they understand that?

Meagan: Yes, I'm showing him. I'm showing him. But he understands. He's speaking English.

Question: What's happening now?

Meagan: I walked inside. Andre, come on, you can jump before I can. (Chuckles)

Question: What does it look like inside?

Meagan: I don't know. There're chairs, and there are things around the side. Funny lights, funny lights.

Question: You're inside the vehicle now?

Meagan: It's a craft. It's not a

vehicle. It's a craft.

Question: What does the craft look like inside?

Meagan: There're panels. And there are chairs and there's a table in the middle.

Question: Who else is there?

Meagan: The other ones came. But they don't seem to be allowed to talk for some reason. But they're smiling. They're not horrible. They ask me to sit down but I'm a bit scared. I think they want to take me away. Now I jump out. (Loudly) No, I can't stay any longer. (Agitated) No, I can't stay any longer because. . . I can't, you know. I just thought somebody was hurt. (Sharply) Where are you from? (Softly) Where are you from?

Question: What do they say to that? Does he answer you?

Meagan: Yes, I think so.

Question: What's he saying to you?

Meagan: I don't know.

Question: What do you think they're going to do to you?

Meagan: They want to take me with them.

Question: What did they do to you?

Meagan: I don't know. They're not horrible. (Quietly) They're not horrible.

Question: Are you still inside the craft?

Meagan: No, I jumped out. (Loudly) Andre, go and get your father!

Question: What's happening now?

Meagan: They have to go. But he asked me to look into his eyes. Look into my eyes. Yes, I like your eyes. They're fantastic and there's something about your eyes. . . Look into them. (Softly) Look into my eyes. Look into my eyes. 'Struth. (She sounds surprised)

Question: What's he doing?

Meagan: He said something. I don't remember. He's telling me I must. . . He's telling me something. I don't know.

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Question: What did it sound like?

Meagan: I don't know, I don't know.

Question: How do you respond to what he's saying?

Meagan: Just look into my eyes. And I'm going to say something to you and then you'll forget it afterwards. You'll never remember it.

Question: You'll remember it now. You can remember everything now.

Meagan: I can - but I can't. I can't remember it, I don't know.

Question: What's happening?

Meagan: I want to remember it, but I can't remember it.

Question: What are they all doing now?

Meagan: They have all jumped back in. I wanted to go for a ride (very quick speech, agitated) but I can't go for a ride. . . . How can you go for a ride in something when you've got your children at home. They don't want to take me just for a ride, they want to take me away (voice rising) for good (almost hysterical), I know they do. (Sob)

Question: What are they doing now? Have they closed it?

Meagan: Yes. It's going. The legs are going up and they're becoming long. I have run back a bit. I'm not sure whether they want to crash into me, or not. (Pause) But I don't think so.

Question: Have they gone?

Meagan: (Deep sigh) Oh yes (whispering) they've gone. (Almost audible) Thank goodness.

Dr. Levinson agreed to record his conclusions on tape and I quote him verbatim:

I must say this is a strange recording. The impression I have is that this is an hysterical fantasy. The hypnosis seems to have spun her into a kind of disassociated state in which she could allow her fantasy complete rein, even to the extent of the rather sad thought that her husband wouldn't miss her but the children might miss her. You'll recall that when I kept the Galvanic skin response on her fingers, it was impossible to have a base-

reading. there was a lot of anxiety and tension and there is no doubt that this is a highly strung woman.

But the impression I have and certainly, watching her under hypnosis, and listening to her, and the material that she then produced, was very fanciful. My feeling here is that we are barking up the wrong tree. I felt that this was just an hysteric with a very vivid fantasy. Deeply influenced by the film she saw. It's hard to know about the child Andre, whether he enters into this with her as a kind of "folie a Deux," whether they are playing a fantasy game and they see what they want to see and hear what they want to hear. This is certainly possible. But I must confess that I'm not very impressed by this particular recall of hers.

Of course, I'm not denigrating Dr. Levinson's conclusions; nevertheless, as a UFO researcher of many years standing, I also cannot accept them. Let's look at some of the facts. If indeed, Andre was involved with Meagan in a dual fantasy, then surely he would have seen exactly the same things as she did. But when the man bent down at the other side of the craft, although Meagan was aware of this, she did not see them lift the sand from the ground in their hands and let it filter through their fingers. She was also aware that when the man bowed to her, he said something, but she did not know what it was, although it was a "strange language, high-pitched and sing-song." Andre, on the other hand, heard the man very clearly and was able to tell me that the word he said, unrecognizable to him, was a three-syllable word. Meagan was aware of a "bright pink glow" about the craft, but did not know exactly where the light was emanating from. Andre told me immediately it had a bright pink light at the top and one on either side of the door.

Meagan and I first arrived at the doctor's offices, she was very nervous and frightened of the hypnosis. No wonder her response on the Galvanic machine did not allow a base reading. I also feel a great deal of information was lost by the correct questions not being asked.

Although I appreciate that leading questions would have given less credence to Meagan's story, I still feel that when she says "it has a funny light on top....odd light," Dr. Levinson could have established in which way this was "funny" or "odd." She says again "He's

got dark skin, but he's funnily dressed." Here again, he could have delved a little deeper into her rather nebulous descriptions. When she says, "It looks a bit like an egg," he should have enlarged on this. There were many other features to the craft not even mentioned under regression. I would have asked why it was necessary to "look into his eyes." Surely this was a command that needed a great deal of explanation?

Meagan says, "He's talking in English" and then "Why can't he talk in English?" One assumes that he is addressing the rest of the men in their own language but this should have been established. Meagan's description of the interior of the craft was very meager. She saw chairs — what sort of chairs? Were they sitting-room chairs, lecture-room chairs, or what? The table in the centre of the room — what was this like? There were panels around the sides, there were "funny lights" — what were they really like?

In analysis, the most significant portion of the tape was when the "Commander" asks Meagan to look into his eyes and when he told her something they wanted her to forget. This was glossed over too quickly. Perhaps Meagan was not hypnotized deeply enough — perhaps this could have been induced?

In his summing up, it was obvious that Dr. Levinson had read very little about regressive hypnosis in relation to UFO experiences. He found the recording strange and yet related it in normal, everyday terms. There is nothing normal about UFO close encounter experiences. He also mentions the film Meagan saw — Close Encounters of the Third Kind. Did the psychiatrist see the film? If so, where were the egg-shaped craft, the dark skinned humanoids? One could pick out a great number of incidents, none of which even remotely resembles Meagan's descriptions.

In conclusion, I cannot help but feel that Meagan's experience was real. She has a rather limited vocabulary and therefore her descriptions are hardly evocative. Nevertheless, with encouragement and patience and the co-operation of Dr. Levinson, I am quite sure we can get to the bottom of this fascinating experience.

THE RALLY INCIDENT: A TELEPORTATION?

By Guillermo C. Roncoroni

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(The following article was published by S.I.U. - U.F.O. Press, Volume III, Number 9, October 1978, Page 32. Translation by William G. Hinrichsen, Continental Coordinator for South America. A brief newspaper account of the incident was reported in Journal No. 130, Sept. 1978.--Editor)

The months of August, September, and October 1978, had been characterized by an unusual increase in UFO activity throughout the Argentine territory. During the month of August, this activity was especially preponderant in the western area (along the Andes), in the provinces of San Juan, Mendoza and Neuquen, with isolated manifestations in Chile, along the same geographic latitude. During the last week of August, and the first two weeks of September, the epicenter of the manifestations moved to the south of the province of Buenos Aires (Pedro Luro, Medanos, Bahia Blanca, Coronel Dorrego, and Necochea), which brought about the first CE-I cases for this period.

Finally, beginning September 20th, a series of important sightings occurred in the province of Tucuman, and in Rosario, Melincue, and Casilda, in the province of Santa Fe....

Of all the UFO sightings during the August/October period, the incident "Acevedo/Moya" is, without a doubt, the most important, not only because of its wide coverage by the news media, but for its many unusual characteristics.

The Incident

On August 17, 1978, Carlos Acevedo and Hugo Pramps, left the city of Buenos Aires in a Citroen GS 1220, #102, on the first leg of the South American Rally, organized by the Argentina Automobile Club and the Regional Interchange Bank. The

competition in which they were participating was going to be extremely exhausting. A real test of endurance of man as well as machines, extending well over a month's time, joining Buenos Aires with Caracas (Venezuela), and returning again through the Pacific Coast.

The crew of car #102 suffered many problems, especially in the final legs of the rally, which caused them to abandon the competition. Because of Acevedo's determination, and other contestants' assistance, they were able to continue, after making official their quitting the competition, with the objective of completing all the legs of the rally. On September 16, in the city of Bariloche, Hugo Pramps left because of personal problems, being replaced by Miguel Angel Moya. In the early hours of September 23, Acevedo and Moya were traveling the last 1,000 km. Approximately at 2:00 a.m., they stopped at a gas station in Viedma (province of Rio Negro) where they filled up the 50-liter tank, and a reserve one containing an additional 40 liters. After having some coffee and conversing with other contestants, they left at 2:30 a.m. heading for Bahia Blanca, after crossing the Rio Negro river, and passing through the city of Carmen de Patagones.

Around 3:00 a.m., after going through the intersection of Route 3 and the road to Cardenal Cagliero, they were close to Salitral del Algarrobo and Salina de Piedra, about 30 km north of the city of Carmen de Patagones (approximately 40° 29' South Latitude, 62° 49' West Longitude). Carlos Acevedo was driving the Citroen. Suddenly he observed through the rear-view mirror a very bright light. It seemed to be very dense, and its color was yellow. At first it was only a point in the distance, increasing in size as it got

closer.

Acevedo and Moya were traveling at that time at about 100 km per hour. In spite of this fact, the light seemed to be approaching at very high speed which made Acevedo think that they were the headlights of one of the high-performance cars participating in the rally (Citroen 2400 or Mercedes Benz). They decided to slow down and keep the car to the extreme right of the road, in order to facilitate the passing of what they supposed to be another contestant.

The light was now occupying the entire rear-view mirror and continued approaching at high speed. Suddenly the interior of the Citroen was filled with light.

"The light flooded the interior completely, and I couldn't see any farther than the hood of the car. It was very dense and bright, and its color was yellowish with a violet tint. At that moment the car seemed to be out of control. I looked through the window and saw that we were about two meters off the ground. I immediately thought that we had hit something, flying into the air, and started getting ready for the moment when the car would hit the road again," said Acevedo.

The car, instead of descending, seemed to continue its ascent out of control.

"After a few seconds, perhaps 5 or 10, I realized that all that was completely abnormal. I tried to look out the window again but the only thing that I could see was that dense light. I remember that I started to shout 'What's the matter?,' but Moya didn't respond. When I looked to my right he wasn't there, or at least I couldn't see him. I couldn't even see the dashboard. I could only see the light, dense, it seemed like liquid, I don't know, kind of
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NEWS NOTES

The First International UFO Congress in Argentina will be held Friday through Sunday, December 7-9, 1979, in Posadas, Pcia. of Misiones, sponsored by the Argentine Federation of Extraterrestrial Studies. Speakers from Brazil, Peru, Chile, and Argentina include Jane Thomas, Pedro Romaniuk, Guillermo Aldunati, and representatives of the International CIAP, and should be addressed to AOA International, P.O. Box 467, 2000 Rosario, Argentina. (Submitted by Guillermo Aldunati)

The highly publicized view of Philip S. Callahan that some "UFOs" are electrified bugs in the atmosphere has been strongly disputed by a Yale scientist in a letter to the editor of *Applied Optics* (Vol. 18, No. 16, 15 August 1979). He stated that the electric field calculations claiming to support this theory were incorrect, and that "...UFO reports probably do not

involve swarms of coronal insects." David Crockett, whose film of the New Zealand-wide interest, returned from his travels when his home abruptly burned down August 20. Mrs. Crockett and their five children were not at home at the time. The film, locked in a bank vault, also survived. The family is seeking a new home so they can stay together, meanwhile supported by sympathetic neighbors. (New Zealand newspapers submitted by Idabel Epperson)

The first quarterly report of the Fund for UFO Research, for July-September 1979, indicates that after deducting start-up costs the FUND has a balance on hand of about \$1,300 with no outstanding debts. Chairman Bruce Maccabee, a Navy scientist, expresses optimism about beginning to accept proposals early in 1980 if public contributions continue. The FUND is not a membership organization and has

no intention of competing with UFO groups; to the contrary, it expects to financially support research and educational projects by members of existing groups. By involving scientists and public figures in the review process, the FUND also hopes to raise the "acceptability level" of UFO research and to upgrade "ufology" to a more scientific level.

Ron Story's *Encyclopedia of UFOs* is now in galley proofs and scheduled for publication in June 1980 by Doubleday (N.Y.) and New English Library (London). The hardcover edition is priced at \$25, paperback \$12.95. The 500-plus pages contain over 300 entries with about 200 illustrations, an extensive bibliography, a chronology of important events in UFO history, and a directory of UFO periodicals. Biographical sketches of leading "experts" with position statements and photographs are included.

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Prochietto were participants on their way to the city of Cordoba from Arroyito. According to these witnesses, at a certain moment of the trip the car they were driving seemed to float in the air. Curiously, they couldn't remember having traveled a section of 80 km, and the trip was reduced by almost 40 minutes. The witness also observed an odd lighted phenomenon at about 50 meters from the route (S.I.U. - U.F.O. Press #8).

Seventy kilometers lost: Together with the loss of time, the Acevedo/Moya incident reveals another interesting fact: the car's odometer registered 71 km less than the distance between the two cities. The witnesses discovered this fact when checking the odometer at their arrival at Pedro Luro (corroborated by Mr. Forchesatto). It is also worth mentioning that this lack of registering was not caused by a malfunction of the car's instruments, since the same distance was measured by additional precision instruments carried by the crews participating in this type of competition.

Therefore, we can only assume that

Acevedo and Moya did not travel that distance by normal means. Together with the loss of time, the loss of 71 km is a disquieting fact and also unexplainable.

Effects on the vehicle and witnesses: It appears that the vehicle did not suffer any effects due to this event. The paint was intact, and the body and chassis does not seem to have been subjected to any electromagneticism (compass deviation was insignificant), and no radiation was detected. The electrical system was also in proper order. The witnesses cannot say for sure if the motor stopped running at the moment of the incident, although Acevedo thinks that, after stopping on the embankment, he had to re-start the engine.

They also experienced fright and disorientation during the sighting. Moya remembers having felt "a suffocating heat" when the light engulfed the interior of the car, a strong oppression on his thorax (he could hardly breathe), and an uncontrollable shaking of his hands (the oppression on his thorax and the shaking continued for more than 24 hours). Acevedo stated that, after the incident, his legs

felt like asleep, and a tingling effect in the dorsal region. Both witnesses related that, during the following nights, it was very difficult to fall asleep and that on several occasions they woke up frightened.

Conclusions

As mentioned previously, the conclusions of this investigation and its analysis must be based, undoubtedly, in the trust that the witnesses deserve, because of the lack of all material evidence. The witnesses deserve our trust since there are other testimonies that corroborate and support Acevedo's and Moya's reports. Therefore, in this sense, I consider that the analyzed case should also deserve a high rate of credibility. Nevertheless, it is my opinion, that the investigation of this case is not closed yet. I believe that it would be extremely important to interrogate the witnesses under hypnotic trance. The results in utilizing this technique in other cases which presented a problem regarding loss of time or unconsciousness have been surprising and I consider that, in this particular instance, whoever tries the application of hypnotic regression Moya and Acevedo would be disappointed.

LUMINOUS UFO HAS STRANGE EFFECTS

By Mildred Bieseke

(Investigated by Joe Santangelo)

MUFON State Director for Massachusetts, Joe Santangelo, reports a sighting he investigated which occurred along the road between Senackentacket Pond and Joseph A. Sylvia State Beach on the evening of March 27, 1979.

Wesley Gruman, 19, was driving north towards Oak Bluff, Mass., about eight o'clock when he noticed a green glow shining from behind the sand dunes between him and the shore. As he approached the glow, which he assumed at first was coming from "light sticks" on the beach, he noticed that his AM car radio picked up a low frequency hum. When he reached a point on the road where he had an unobstructed view of the shore, he saw that the glow emanated from a luminous yellow-green cylinder that was apparently floating in the water about 200 feet away. Stopping his car to examine it more closely, he observed that it was about 30 feet long, was rounded at both ends, and had no visible openings or protrusions.

When he stopped, the object began slowly and silently to rise out of the water. As it emerged he could see that the action of the water was as through a boat or any other large physical object were being lifted. From the driver's seat he watched it go up until the top of the window cut off his view, and then he opened the car door and stepped out on the road, leaving the lights on and the motor running.

The beach and the water were now illuminated by the object, which was beginning to gain speed in its ascent. Gruman decided to reach into the car for a 12 volt quartz lamp he had with him but he found that he could not move any part of his body except his head.

When the cylinder had risen out of the water, Gruman got back into his car (the motor was still running) and drove

JONATHAN BUGBEE'S UFO

(By Gary Levine, Ph.D.,
MUFON State Director for New York)

Some of the most interesting UFOs are those which act in a benevolent fashion. Although very rare, they nevertheless have been reported over the past three centuries.

One such case occurred in October 1828 when Jonathan Bugbee, age unknown, a farmer and jack-of-all-trades, obtained from Judge William Peacock the privilege of making pine shingles in the area known as the Landoffice Swamp. This swamp, some 12 miles northeast of Jamestown, New York, is a small portion of a larger swamp, 6 square miles in size, known as the Cassadaga swamp.

While working on the shingles, alone in the swamp, he lost track of time and found himself engulfed in the darkness of night. His situation was further complicated by a light rain and he was unable to locate the marks on certain trees which he used to guide himself out of the swamp. Jonathan Bugbee was lost in the dismal swamp. Groping around in knee-deep water, surrounded by venomous snakes,

he went directly to the Oak Bluff police station to report the event. An officer returned with him to the site and from there called a State Trooper who joined them. The state patrol log documented the call at 20:30 hours, the weather clear and dry with no wind. No attempt was made then or the next morning to search for traces or for artifacts.

One strange aftereffect, Santangelo reports, was noted by the witness the next day. His calendar wrist watch, a stainless steel water-resistant Timex, hand wound, had been running fast on the night of the sighting and was showing a date 3 days ahead; that is, it indicated the day of the month as "30" instead of "27." He had not bothered to correct it because to advance it through 29 daily increments would take some time. However, the day after the sighting the watch showed "28," which was, of course, correct. And when Santangelo filed his report, Gruman's watch was still keeping good time.

black bears, and ferocious bobcats, he did not know which way to turn.

Suddenly, at about 9 o'clock p.m., out of the pitch darkness, there appeared near him a bright light about "forty feet square" some 20 feet above his head. The light was so bright he was able to see the face of the axemaker on his axe. Looking around, Bugbee was able to locate the marks on the trees and proceeded out of the swamp. The light left him and Bugbee again became lost. And just as mysteriously as it went it again returned to light the way. Bugbee made haste toward his home the light again fading away.

There was much talk of Bugbee's sighting and his old neighbor of his, reflecting the superstition of the time regarding omens, predicted that the farmer would be dead within a year. The prediction came true and long after Bugbee's demise fathers told their children of the strange light which was termed a "phosphorescent display."

The case is of particular interest because it shows a benevolent UFO which saved a man's life. Although specific details about shape, speed, and color change are lacking, the UFO cannot be considered a natural occurrence such as a meteor. The light acted with intelligence and direction, making an appearance two times.

Christopher Centi, the MUFON investigator for Chautauqua County, has informed me that the area is still an active one for UFOs, 151 years after Bugbee's sighting. Centi can account for five well-documented sightings in the area since 1968. Is the Cassadaga swamp a UFO window? Is there a relationship between UFOs and isolated, almost impenetrable areas such as the Cassadaga swamp? What is the meaning of benevolent UFO behavior? Surely these are provocative questions which need more research to answer.

*Recorded by Judge L. Bugbee for the Jamestown Evening Journal circa Fall 1876; copy was provided by his descendent Mrs. Elaine Liepshutz, local chapter historian of the Daughters of the American Revolution, in Hudson, N.Y.

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the city of Viedma. All these facts contributed even more to the witnesses' confusion who, seized by increasing apprehension, decided to inform the Pedro Luro Police Department. There they met inspector Daniel Osimi, who was informed in detail of all the events, and was asked by the witnesses to provide them with an escort to the city of Bahia Blanca.

Inspector Osimi, realizing the desperation of the two men, commissioned Corporal J. Garcia to accompany the witnesses to Bahia Blanca, departing a few minutes later, and arriving at the destination around 8:30 a.m.

The Witnesses

Carlos Acevedo is 38 years old. His parents are from Chile, but he was born in Argentina. He has been living in Chile since 1960. In the capital, Santiago, he has two elegant shoe stores located in the most sophisticated part of town. He has two children from a previous marriage, and a 5-year-old child with his present wife Cecilia. Acevedo is in a very good financial situation (as evidenced by his participation in the rally for which he had to spend more than \$20,000). He is an extrovert and easy to get along with.

Miguel Angel Moya is 28 years old. He was born and raised in Santiago, Chile. He is a mechanic (one of the best, according to Acevedo). He is kind of shy and quiet. He seems to have been affected by the incident in which he participated. Both witnesses give a very good impression. Their respective accounts of the incident are very coherent. They did not contradict each other, and responded to all questions without hesitation. There are no reasons to doubt their testimony.

Other Testimony

Inspector Daniel Osimi: He stated that the witnesses, while in the Pedro Luro Police Dept., were in complete control of their mental faculties, although they still showed signs of nervousness caused by the incident. Osimi verified the absence of any breakage or leaks in the reserve gas tank; the disappearance of 40 liters of fuel has no explanation.

Corporal J. Garcia: He noticed that the witnesses were very nervous.

They practically exchanged no words during the trip to Pedro Luro, Bahia Blanca. In one instance, Acevedo was visibly startled when a car, traveling behind them, turned on his high beams.

Hector Forchesatto (service station attendant): He was the first one to have any contact with the witnesses right after the incident. He also noticed how nervous they were, especially Moya. He remembered having heard them discuss the problem about the mileage and the disappearance of gasoline. In his opinion, the witnesses seemed sincerely concerned and their state of restlessness and confoundment was impossible to fake. Besides, Forchesatto assured us that, between 4:30 a.m. and 4:45 a.m., neighbors in the city of Ascasubi observed the fast displacement of a powerful yellowish light heading west (we haven't been able to confirm this statement).

Comments

As in many other UFO cases, we must base our investigation on the witnesses' report. There are no physical traces or other evidence that could corroborate our conclusions, therefore, the general reliability of the incident will depend, exclusively, in the trust that the witnesses deserve. In the opinion of all those who interviewed Acevedo and Moya (reporters, police, and myself), the witnesses deserve that trust. They have been willing to subject themselves to an open and unconditional interrogatory without objections. Their statements have been coherent, ordinate, without contradictions, and I consider that the element of trust be placed at a high level.

The characteristics of the incident itself, its notorious oddity, deserve a detailed analysis.

The loss of time factor: Those who had investigated the incident up to now had overlooked an element that, in my opinion, requires closer attention: the time factor. Acevedo and Moya leave behind Carmen de Patagones at approximately 2:50 a.m. Fifteen minutes later, after covering between 25 to 30 km, they see the yellowish light for the first time. Thus, between 3:00 a.m. and 3:05 a.m., the mentioned events take place. Afterwards, they find themselves on the embankment on the

opposite side of the road, on Route 3, and after a couple of minutes they continue the trip to Bahia Blanca.

At 5:10 they arrive at Pedro Luro (this fact corroborated by the service station attendant, Mr. Forchesatto), which means that they covered the distance between Carmen de Patagones/Pedro Luro in approximately 2:20 hours. Supposing that they had covered that distance without inconvenience, and traveling at an average speed of 100 km/h., it would have taken 75 to 80 minutes at the most, leaving approximately 60 minutes unaccounted for. But let's review the witnesses' account once again. From Carmen de Patagones until the moment the light appears, 15 minutes go by. From the moment that the car descends the embankment and they take Route 3 once again, until their arrival at Pedro Luro, they consume another 15 minutes. Altogether it amounts to 30 minutes approximately, leaving a total of 110 minutes unaccounted for, a little less than two hours!

In the witnesses' opinion, the manifestation of the phenomenon had only taken one or two minutes, although they also mentioned that when the yellowish light engulfed the car they lost all notion of time and place; they are not even sure that they could categorically ascertain that they were inside the car. The yellowish/violet light was the only visible thing to the witnesses, they couldn't even see each other.

It should be mentioned that none of the other contestants in the rally saw car #102 stopped along the route (which would be difficult not to see especially when considering the spirit of collaboration that exists among the participants in this type of race), and nobody passed them between the cities of Carmen de Patagones and Pedro Luro, for which we could discard that those 110 minutes unaccounted for could have been caused by a normal problem or at least an identifiable one. Thus, it seems, the time factor had arisen from the incident caused by the phenomenon.

It is worth mentioning the similarity of this incident to the one of July 16, 1972, in which Mssrs. Brunelli and

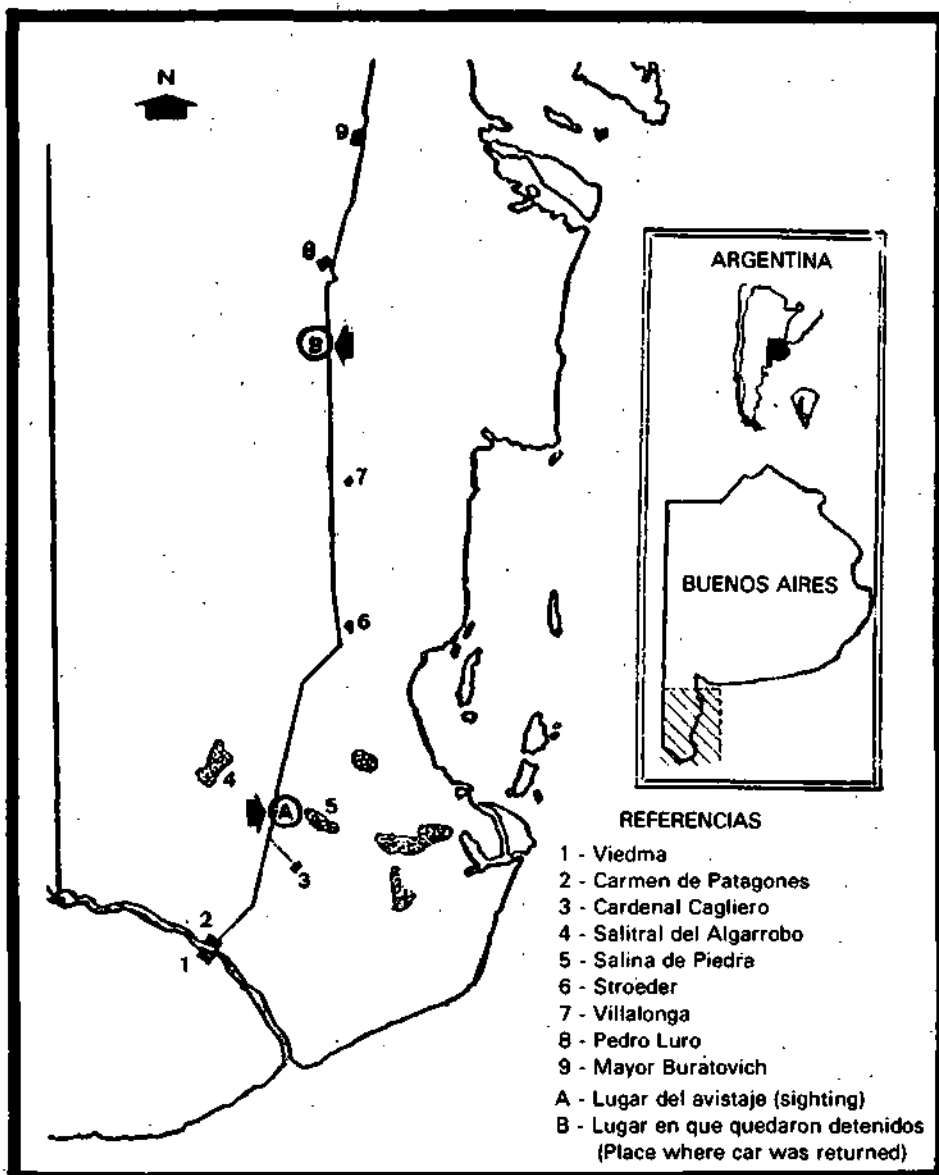
sticky," he recalled.

In the meantime, Miguel Angel Moya felt paralyzed because of the light, and he told us: "My first thought was also that we had hit something and was scared of the possibility of turning over, but when I noticed that the car seemed to float in the air and didn't come down I was more scared then. It was truly a situation which I couldn't comprehend. I looked at Carlos and I saw him rigid, his arms extended grasping the steering wheel, and his eye fixed straight ahead. He seemed to be shouting but I couldn't hear anything. I was seeing everything like through a yellow fog, as if I were at a distance, someplace else. I think that my first reaction was to get out of there and I tried to open the door but couldn't — it seemed like glued. I noticed that the temperature started to increase, but maybe it was caused by my being so frightened. Suddenly the light engulfed everything and I couldn't see anything, I think that not even my hands, nothing."

The witnesses then lost all conception of time. Then they felt a bump and noticed that the car was once again on the road.

"I think that a minute had passed, or two, I don't really know, when I felt a bump, soft, but I immediately had the impression that the car was once again on the road. At that instant the yellow light seemed to lose some of its intensity and I started to be able to see the dashboard, and the hood. I looked out the window and saw that we were on firm ground, on the opposite side of the road, on the embankment. The light left the interior of the car and I observed that to the west something like a cone of yellow light was disappearing, but it didn't end in a point, it was cut off. It was about 4 or 5 meters at the base, and 2 or 3 at the cusp, and 6 meters, maybe 7, in height. The base lighted the surrounding area, although I couldn't tell what it was illuminating, in other words, you couldn't see through it. A few seconds later, the light retracted itself, it just went up like a curtain, from bottom to top, and the only thing that was left in view was a white/yellowish light, oval in shape, that continued its west heading until it disappeared in the distance," said Acevedo.

It took a few seconds for Moya to



recuperate from the impression produced by the strange situation that he had just lived: "All of a sudden everything was over, and we were back on the road. Carlos and I looked at each other but we couldn't say anything. I was stunned, my hands were shaking, and I felt something pressing against my chest; it was difficult to breathe."

Acevedo and Moya remained in silence for a few seconds, without attempting any action. Finally, Acevedo stepped from the car "to see if everything was in its place," he recounted. A minute later he climbed back into the car and continued north on Route 3.

Having traveled for 15 minutes, car #1012 arrived at Pedro Luro, in the province of Buenos Aires, about 123 km north of Carmen de Patagones. They stopped at a service station to find

out the location of the nearest police department and, while checking the instruments in the car, they discovered two things: The odometer indicated that from Viedma to Pedro Luro, they had covered 52 km; besides, they had arrived at Pedro Luro at 5:10 a.m., having passed through Carmen de Patagones at 2:05 a.m., approximately. Having covered the distance at an average of 100 km.p.h. it should not have taken them more than 75 minutes to cover the distance between the two points; instead, they had consumed 2 hours and 20 minutes.

The witnesses would discover a third unexplainable fact: When they decided to fill up the main gas tank again, they observed that the reserve tank was completely empty, in spite of having been filled with 40 liters of gas in (continued on next page)

UFO SECRECY UPDATE

By Larry W. Bryant

(Editor's note: Beginning with this issue of the *MUFON UFO Journal*, Mr. Bryant's column will carry material originally intended for the newsletter *Just Cause*, which suspended publication with its eighth issue (Sept. 1979). This action coincides with the immediate deactivation of the public-interest group Citizens Against UFO Secrecy (CAUS). Negotiation is under way for the CAUS/*Just Cause* mailing list to be absorbed by MUFON, with prorating of outstanding subscriptions to be filled by the MUFON Journal. Mr. Bryant emphasizes that the decision to cease publishing *Just Cause* is due to lack of broad public support, limited operating funds, and the inability of such a specialized organization as CAUS to reach a wide enough audience for its message. The decision is due in no way to any effort — governmental or otherwise — to suppress the aims and activities of the organization. Readers desiring to communicate directly with Mr. Bryant may do so at the following address: 2904 South 13th Road - Apt. 2, Arlington, VA 22204 USA; he may be reached via telephone (evenings) at (703) 920-0593.

On September 19, 1979, in Room 12 of the courthouse building of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia, the two sides met before Judge John H. Pratt to act on the defendant's recent motion for a summary judgment. After a full year of litigation, it's not surprising to hear a note or two of frustration emanating from all parties concerned —

•On the part of the Central Intelligence Agency, represented by its own counsel and by a spokesman from the Justice Department, in its effort to play up the relatively unimportant assortment of UFO papers thus far released.

•On the part of the judge, now in the winter of his career and visibly impatient with the litigants' wrangling over the minutiae of document-search dates/places/findings, in his

Condoned attempt to give UFOlogy a measure of respectability while at the same time bending over backwards to afford the Government relief from the interminable burden of justifying its role in UFO research.

•On the part of the plaintiff, Ground Saucer Watch of Phoenix, Ariz., represented by New York attorney Peter A. Gersten, in its effort to show that the released CIA documents constitute not merely the tip of a paper iceberg but also confirmation that past UFO policy/practices of the Agency are alive and well at CIA headquarters in Langley, Va. — viz., deception, circumlocution of the issues, subterfuge, and stonewalling.

Where will it all end? And when? Well, after some questioning of both sides by the judge (in which he characterized Gersten as a "vigorous advocate" whose choice of language in referring to the "lies" of the defendant was too strong "down here" in Washington, D.C.), the judge agreed to allow the plaintiff 60 days in which to provide a written response to the CIA motion for summary judgment.

Maybe by Christmas, as the expression goes, we'll learn just how far the plaintiff has prevailed in this case — and just how long the Agency will be able to retain its web of secrecy around a body of UFO data that has yet to see the light of public exposure.

KENTUCKY UFO CHASE

By Mildred Bieseke
(Investigated by George Baker)

When George Baker, a MUFON Research Specialist who lives in Crawfordsville, Indiana, read in the Richmond, Kentucky, *Register* that a car had been chased down a local rural

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road by a flashing UFO, he and his wife drove the 300 miles to Richmond to investigate.

At the Richmond police station they were directed to the home of the widow Asie Legar, about 15 miles from town on Log Cabin Road, the scene of the chase. After some difficulty getting through the gate, up the driveway and past the dogs, they arrived to find Mrs. Legar to be a reluctant witness. However, she overcame her hesitation to confide in strangers and told the following story.

She said that her daughter Lise Legar, her son Phillip Wayne, and her brother Leo Vanlinkey came home about 9:30 on the night of November 29 "scared to death." When their car drove up to the house all three jumped out onto the porch, leaving the lights on and the engine running. They had been followed, they explained, for about a mile by something that was shining a blue-white light down on them. At one time it shot a "sort of flame" out of the front; they thought that was when the car stalled and the lights went off.

Asie said that standing on the porch they watched the thing circle the house and the surrounding fields several times, climbing and diving, swooping, she estimated, from about 100 to about 300 feet above the ground. It appeared to be cigar shaped and about the size of the Goodyear blimp, which she had once seen. It had a dull red glow except for the time on Log Cabin Road when it flew low over the car, then it brightened to white. Finally it began to fade as it sped away over the mountain to the north.

The family called the state police, but by the time a patrol car arrived there was nothing for the officers to see except four very frightened people.

At the state police post in Richmond, the Bakers were permitted to examine the log for November 29. In addition to the notation concerning the Legar incident, it recorded calls from other excited citizens who reported seeing lights in the sky. The log suggests that "a meteorite must have exploded over the entire area"; however, the log also adds that no evidence has been found to support that contention.

"California Report"

By Ann Druffel

UFO SIGHTINGS BY UFO RESEARCHERS: THE "INACCESSIBLE CASES" — Part II

For many years I have tried to find conventional explanations for the bright, yellowish daytime object which I saw traverse 15-20 degrees of sky in about an hour and a half in late June or July 1945. The idea that it might have been a Japanese balloon occurred to me a few years ago. It is now a known fact that the Japanese released a number of large balloons from the Pacific theater of war and some traveled in high windstreams toward the American continent, landing as far east as some midwest states.

Could the 1945 object seen from Long Beach, California, by my mother and myself have been a Japanese balloon? It seems highly unlikely, for the winds which carried these propaganda devices traveled from west to east. The 1945 object traveled generally from east to west.

If the object was in a true orbital position high above earth's atmosphere, its angular speed would match nicely with this, provided that it had a means of propulsion and could regulate its own flight. It was not in free orbital flight, for satellites (nonpolar) travel in westerly to easterly directions. However, the object seemed to behave as though it were stationary above the earth, with an *apparent* angular speed caused by the rotation of the earth. It traveled 15-20 degrees in somewhat more than an hour, and the stars, sun, etc. appear to move at about 15 degrees an hour, likewise from east to west.

Was the object, then, stationary above the earth? Carrier craft UFOs are almost always observed to be stationary when releasing, or receiving back, their satellite discs.

At 5:30 a.m. on a cloudy dawn, on July 16, 1945, the first experimental bomb was exploded on the desert near Alamogordo, New Mexico. Had my sighting occurred on or immediately

after this date? Had a huge, extraterrestrial craft been drawn to the scene to investigate this sign that the inhabitants of Earth had entered into the atomic age? Had it slowly moved from east to west, deciding to launch scout ships before sunset to explore below?

The general path of the object was from the direction of Alamogordo, New Mexico, toward Long Beach, California, but of course the altitude at which it hovered is unknown, so precise calculations cannot be made at this time. The accompanying map shows the relationship of the atomic testing ground to Long Beach. The direction of the object's movement and the relationship between the two earth locations tally fairly well.

In an attempt to recover the exact date of my 1945 sighting, W.C. McCall, M.D. used hypnotic regression techniques on June 15, 1977. Dr. McCall is a Southern California researcher with 20 years experience in clinical hypnosis. Also present at the session were other Southland researchers, Dr. Alvin Lawson and John de Herrera. The session in some ways was successful, but less satisfactory in other aspects. I relived the awe and fear of seeing the inexplicable light and its "pieces" which traveled out and away from it. The general time span was confirmed. It was summer of 1945, but the exact date was not retrievable; it seemed that it was near the end of the month of either June or July. However, in view of my conscious memory that the Hiroshima bomb fell shortly after the sighting, it seemed logical to assume that the sighting was made during the last half of July. The date of the Hiroshima bombing was August 6, 1945.

Sample descriptions from the session's transcript point up the awe

felt while viewing the object:

"I think it's too high for a balloon....I've never seen anything like it. It's not what a balloon would look like. Just, just weird. It just--moves so slowly. It doesn't do anything it should. It shouldn't be up there....It's not supposed to be up there....I'm watching a long time. It moves toward the northwest, real high...."

McCall then used an hypnotic technique which is employed occasionally in clinical situations where information is not easily obtainable by the subject because he is not in appropriate proximity to an event and therefore cannot make an adequate value-judgment about it.

MC: "...I want you to just kind of let your spirit leave your body....just project your spirit up very, very close to that thing....I want you to just see your mind or your spirit just leaving your body now and getting up closer and closer. Tell me what you see now."

AD: "....Can't get up there yet....yards, along the block....palm trees....and State Street....the whole city down to Pine, over to....the Lagoon. Going up high...."

It took a while to get that high!

AD: "....It's, big....oval. It's shiny....reflecting the sun. Am I imagining it? Or, what am I doing?....I think it's the bottom. Big, metal thing. It has a....a line in it. It's a line like....a bomb bay....in the bombers, only....not two doors, just one....It's not really that plain. It's....fuzzy, like, hot air distorts, you know, the image, the edges of some things...."

Figure 1. is the sketch of the "close-up view" obtained by this method. There is a strong probability, of course, that the close-up view was purely imaginary, although the images obtained during the "trip" upward were
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vivid and seemed real, in spite of my skepticism at the time.

However, considering the scientific validity of remote-viewing, as proven at Stanford Research Institute by the experiments of Puthoff and Targ,² we might be permitted to speculate here that the hypnotic technique described above was a remote-viewing experience of a sort and perhaps yielded reliable information. Puthoff and Targ demonstrated that ordinary persons with no particular psychic abilities can produce reliable precognitive information as well as clairvoyant information in the current time-frame. Why, then, could not "remote viewing" — which seems enchanted in the hypnotic state³ — produce reliable information when applied to incidents in the past?

Dr. McCall has obligingly tried the identical technique in other UFO cases in which hypnotic regression has been used. In the case of Emily Cronin,⁴ she and a friend, Jan Whitley, experienced paralysis and amnesia during an incident involving a bright light of unknown source which approached their car as they were sleeping in a rest-stop on a heavily-traveled mountain road in Northern California. They had pulled off to allow the thick nighttime truck traffic to clear before proceeding on their own journey home. Neither woman could remember any specific details of what might have produced their paralysis and time-lapse. In regressing Emily Cronin, Dr. McCall used the same hypnotic suggestions as described above.

MC: "....Now what I'd like to have you do is detach your mind from your body so you can kind of float around over the top of the car. Let your mind float around, just kind of watch what happens. I want you to tell me every detail, everything that happens while you're sleeping in the car...."

EC: "....I'm so high....I can't see....oh! that's beautiful (referring to truck lights winding around the mountain)...."

MC: "Let's go down a little closer now to the car where your body's parked...."

EC: "....the top of the car....and there's light around it and we're

asleep....behind it....the light came in the back window....people, a couple of people....dark....Tall! There were two of them here (near the light source).... and there was another one back there (looking in the back window of her car)....He doesn't know who I am. He's fascinated. He doesn't know what that little person is (referring to Emily's 6-year-old son asleep on the back seat)....He doesn't know why that's such a little person....the other two are coming toward him. He's looking in the side window....They, want to leave. They want him to go. He doesn't want to go, but they say they have to go. It's like, it's like a mistake! That's what they said....dark clothes on, and he's dark....their faces are elongated, or very long. They're kind of flat, but they're elongated."

Here again we have the question — is the information which surfaced real or imaginary? There is a strong probability Emily Cronin's mind was manufacturing detail in response to the hypnotist's request. But there is also a possibility that she was remote-viewing accurate facts!

One factor in this case which leads me to wonder whether Emily was, in fact, retrieving realistic details lies in the following: Three years earlier, in 1953, Jan Whitley and another young woman, Sara Shaw, had an apparent abduction experience in Tujunga, California, but the event was almost totally blocked out by amnesia. In hypnotic regression sessions in 1975, Sara described the UFO entities almost precisely as Emily described the creatures near her car. Yet Sara's information was carefully guarded from Jan, who was never successfully regressed, either for the 1953 or the later 1956 experience with Emily. Emily likewise did not know how Sara described her abductors. Other subtle, but logical, correlations were found between the two encounters. It is for this reason that I feel that Emily's information obtained during her "mind travel" or remote-viewing was valid.

Likewise, the "close-up view" I obtained of the object hovering over Long Beach in 1945 might possibly be valid. Note the description of the "door" in the bottom of the object, which is verbalized as a "bomb bay." It

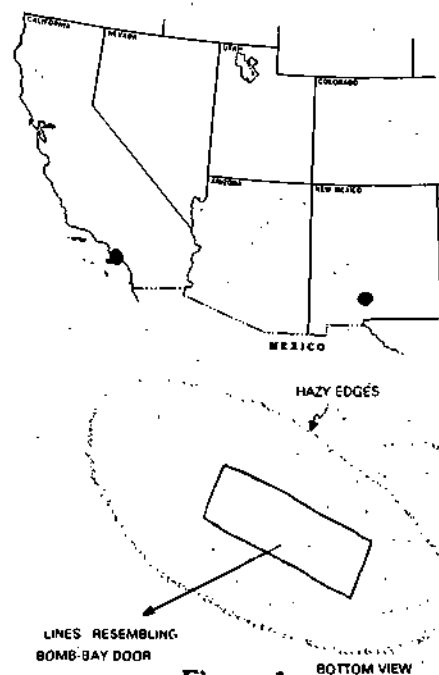


Figure 1

was described in terms familiar to a witness during World War II. Also, the fuzziness on the edges of the object was not only a visual impression. It gave me a sensory impression during hypnosis as well, which is not described in the transcript. It was as if I could not approach closer, due to some sort of force — the same force which seemed to produce the "fuzzy" edges.

I present the facts and speculation above for one reason only — it may be worthwhile for other UFO researchers to come forward and present their own UFO experiences. We must not be fearful of ridicule. With a phenomenon as weird and elusive as UFOs, our minds must be inventive and open to any technique which holds any promise at all of yielding usable information.

NOTES

1. Heavily edited due to space limitations. Complete transcripts in MUFON files.
2. See "A Perceptual Channel for Information Transfer over Kilometer Distances: Historical Perspective and Recent Research", by Harold E. Puthoff and Russell Targ, from *PROCEEDINGS OF THE IEEE*, Vol. 64, No. 3, March 1976.
3. Based on experiments of John de Herrera of APRO and author.
4. All names are pseudonyms at witnesses' request. A complete account of the Cronin, Whitley, and Shaw cases discussed here will be published in March 1980 by Prentice-Hall in *CONTACT! AN AMAZING UFO CONTAGION CASE* (tentative title), by Ann Druffel and D. Scott Rogo.
5. Heavily edited due to space limitations. Complete transcripts in MUFON files.

UFO TECH NOTE

A LIE DETECTOR FOR THE FUTURE?

By John F. Schuessler

UFO investigators and researchers are continually searching for new tools that may be applied to the never-ending quest for truth. The police polygraph machine has been used in a number of incidents and with some small measure of success. Perhaps, one of the best known and most controversial polygraph cases is the Travis Walton incident. The use of that particular tool demonstrated a very real need for additional tools.

Supplementing the polygraph in a number of abduction cases is the use of regressive hypnosis. Drs. Sprinkle and Harder have done much to demonstrate the usefulness of hypnosis. Even so, the question still remains — "Is the witness telling the truth?"

A more accurate, but costly, technique is the Psychological Stress Evaluator (PSE). The NATIONAL ENQUIRER makes extensive use of this tool, and with excellent results. Because of the cost, however, few investigators can afford to apply the PSE in their work. What is needed is a low-cost....portable unit suitable for screening UFO incidents. Then, only those cases showing high credibility would need to be subjected to the more costly techniques.

Several commercial firms — Hogarth Corp., Dektor, Law Enforcement Associates, and Communication Control Systems — have been very active in refining the old police polygraph machine to make it available to a wider market. Hogarth

has a mock-up of a stress monitor, or lie detector, small enough to fit in a fountain pen. Communication Control Systems is working on a unit to fit in a wrist watch.

Psycho-Science, Inc., of Mobile, Alabama, has marketed a lie detector as small as a transistor radio, selling for around \$250. Their unit, the SA-X, measures stress through voice analysis. It electronically picks up voice micro-tremors which are otherwise inaudible and determines if stress is present. It has no printouts, but depends upon flashing green, yellow, and red lights.

The \$29.95 units are still sometime in the future, not now. In the meantime we must make the most of the existing tools.

HILL RADAR-UFO CONNECTION WEAK

By Richard Hall

In the July MUFON UFO Journal (No. 137) some comments about a radar sighting apparently coinciding with the famous 1961 Hill abduction case in New Hampshire were excerpted from a longer article by Patricia McMahon. Ms. McMahon reported that the Project Blue Book files contained a reference to the radar sighting, but not the full report.

David Webb has since informed the Journal that in 1970 Betty Hill obtained copies of the Air Force intelligence reports on the radar incident and made copies available to the Massachusetts investigators. Dave forwarded copies of these, plus internal investigation reports by Walter Webb (May 29, 1972) and John Oswald (January 1976) indicating that the radar track and Hill incident, despite the coincidence in time, probably were unrelated. The Journal was unaware of

these reports and regrets perpetuating the story that the UFO in the Hill case may have been tracked on radar. No evidence for this has been found.

The Air Force report, dated 20 September 1961, reads as follows:

0614 (Z?) OBSERVED UNIDENTIFIED A/C COME ON PAR (PRECISION APPROACH RADAR AT PEASE AFB-ED.) 4 MILES OUT. A/C MADE APPROACH AND PULLED UP AT 1/2 MILE. SHORTLY AFTER OBSERVED WEAK TARGET ON DOWNWIND, THEN RADAR CTC (CONTACT-ED.) LOST. TWR (TOWER-ED.) WAS ADVISED OF THE A/C WHEN IT WAS ON FINAL, THEN WHEN IT MADE LOW APPROACH. TWR UNABLE TO SEE ANY A/C AT ANY TIME.

Oswald's report illustrates the runways and approach patterns at the Air Force base. The report indicates that some unidentified "aircraft" (possibly a UFO, but doing nothing extraordinary) was detected by radar in the Pease AFB landing pattern.

However, this was at low level some 80 miles away from the "abduction" site and is not even a strong radar case, so that any link with the Hill incident is purely conjectural.

Assertions by Betty Hill that several radar sets tracked a UFO and that Air Force pilots chased it are based purely on her memory of verbal statements by acquaintances, and no documentation exists in support of them. The radar sighting at Pease AFB is not even clearly a UFO nor is it clearly connected with the Hill incident, and no other documentation is known at the present time.

(Note: Readers having important information bearing on cases discussed in the Journal are urged to submit it, either for publication or for background information. Please do not assume that we are omniscient.)

FIRST LONDON INTERNATIONAL UFO CONGRESS

By J. Bernard Delair
(MUFON Representative for England)

On Sunday, August 26, and Monday, August 27, 1979, the first international UFO congress ever to be held in Britain was staged at Grand Metropolitan's sumptuous Mount Royal Hotel in London. The organizers were the British Unidentified Flying Objects Research Association (BUFORA), their principal collaborators being Contact International (UK). The congress was a resounding success, with ufologists arriving from many parts of the world, and filling the large auditorium to capacity (standing room only for most of the time). This report records the aims of the congress, its activities, and what it appears to have achieved.

Essentially, the aims of this event were twofold. Firstly, it endeavored to provide an opportunity for the many active ufologists scattered throughout Europe to meet not only each other but respected colleagues from further afield. In this it was enormously successful. Secondly, the congress acted as a forum for the interchange of opinions relating to the formulation of an internationally agreed code of field investigation, case classification, and data storage/retrieval system. In this, the congress was partially successful.

Among the most prominent delegates and speakers were Dr. J. Allen Hynek, Dr. Leo Sprinkle (both of the U.S.A.); Mr. David Haisell (Canada); Prof. Antonio Ribeira and Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos (both of Spain); Dr. Erol Faruk (UK); Dr. Roberto Pinotti, Edoardo Russo, and Francesco Izzo (all of Italy); Per Anderson (Denmark); Knut Aasheim (Norway); Bertil Kuhlemann (Sweden); Rudy de Groote, (Belgium); Douwe Bosga (Netherlands); Alain Esterle (France); Anthony Pace, Peter Hill, Lionel Beer, Timothy O'Brien, Lawrence Dale, and Robert Digby (all of BUFORA); that doyen of British

ufology Graham Knewstubb; and myself (Contact International (UK) and MUFON's representative in the UK).

Other noteworthy individuals included Dr. Andreas Achillides (Cyprus), B. Biffier (Switzerland), Dr. Mahmoud Prasad (India), Ananda Sirisena (Sri Lanka), Philippe Scheyder (France), Paolo di Girolamo (Italy), Edna Smith (Republic of South Africa), Derek Mansell (Contact UK), Edgar Hatvany and Charles Lockwood (BUFORA), Jenny Randles (NUFON), and John Rimmer (MUFOB). Many other delegates attended too numerous to name here. It was a truly international gathering.

The congress opened on Sunday at 9:30 a.m., when a goodly number of delegates had already arrived and who inspected a large bookstall displaying a comprehensive range of UFO literature and an extensive exhibition which concentrated upon investigative methodology and the results of recent research. A series of new full-color world maps of UFO landings and occupant sightings were exhibited for the first time anywhere and excited considerable interest. These had been prepared by the Data Research unit of Contact International (UK) at Oxford. A copy of the MUFON investigators' handbook, which is also used by Contact International (UK) field investigators, was also in evidence. The formal opening of the congress took place at 11:25 a.m., and was undertaken most effectively by Timothy O'Brien, BUFORA's President. Thereafter the program ran as follows:

11:45 a.m. Lawrence Dale, FRAS -- "Current BUFORA Investigations."
12:30 p.m. Break for lunch (many valuable informal meetings and conversations occurred

during this period, and at subsequent breaks for refreshments).

14:10 p.m. Dr. Leo Sprinkle -- "Models of UFO Evidence."
15:10 p.m. Peter Hill, AMR, FMS, FSS. -- "From Data to Information."
15:50 p.m. Break for tea.
16:20 p.m. Edoardo Russo -- "The Italian UFO Wave of 1978."
17:20 p.m. Roberto Pinotti -- "More on the Italian UFO Wave of 1978."
17:40 p.m. Graham Knewstubb -- "UFOs".
18:15 p.m. Close of afternoon session.
19:00 p.m. Special Congress Dinner.
21:00 p.m. Documentary film "UFOs, Past, Present, and Future."

On Monday, the program followed the format described below.

09:30 a.m. Visit to the London Planetarium.
10:45 a.m. Break for coffee.
11:15 a.m. J. Bernard Delair, BSc -- "Processing UFO Data - The Problems Reappraised."
12:00 noon Per Anderson -- "Project UFO Data - A system of electronic data processing of UFO/IFO Reports."
12:45 p.m. Break for lunch.
14:10 p.m. Dr. J. Allen Hynek -- "Towards a Working Classification of the UFO Phenomena."
15:15 p.m. Dr. Erol Faruk -- "Soil Analysis - The Delphos Case."
16:00 p.m. Break for tea.
16:30 p.m. Vicente-Juan Ballester Olmos -- "The Landing Phenomena in Spain."
17:30 p.m. Report (by Peter Hill) on
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the conclusions of the "working party" convened to review investigation procedures, classification schemes, and data storage/retrieval systems.

18:15 p.m. Summing-up and closing speeches.

18:30 p.m. Congress closed.

From the foregoing it can be seen that a wide range of ufological matters came under the congress's scrutiny. The "working party," just alluded to, functioned for most of the entire congress in a separate room, participating delegates coming and going as papers and other matters of interest to them occurred in the auditorium. The "working-party" was chaired by Peter Hill. Few definite results could be reported as a mere 2 days, or parts thereof, proved to be quite insufficient to agree on acceptable solutions to the matters listed on its agenda. However, much preliminary progress was made, and all those present concurred that subsequent "working parties" (of which more will be arranged in the future) should be able to operate effectively and more speedily now that so many initial items had been discussed. MUFON will be represented (via this writer) at future "working-parties," the dates and venues of which will be announced in due course.

Almost without exception all delegates felt that the congress was very worthwhile, and expressed the hope that another would be staged without delay. It is to be hoped that, on the basis of the obvious success of the present congress, that even more ufological colleagues from abroad will attend future UFO gatherings of this sort in London. Failure to do so will result in missing a most significant event.

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hypothetical possibilities for the solution of the phenomenon.

"UFO '79" is scheduled for Saturday, November 17, 1979, beginning Friday evening November 16 with a "get-acquainted" party at the Royal Quality Inn, 4875 North Harbor Drive, San Diego, CA 92106. Speakers planning to speak on Saturday are R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph. D.; James A. Harder, Ph.D.; Stanton Friedman; Cleve Backster; L. J. Lorenzen; George Hunt Williamson; and Walter H. Andrus, Jr. Walt has titled his slide/lecture "A New Look at the Entity Evidence." Major Donald E. Keyhoe and Coral Lorenzen will be guests at the banquet. The featured speaker at the banquet is Marcel Vogel, Senior Research Chemist at I.B.M.'s Advanced System Development Laboratory, Los Gatos, Calif., who has selected "An Investigation Into Samples Delivered by Extraterrestrials" as his subject. Spacial Data Corp. of Golita, Calif., will



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State Director for Minnesota

demonstrate their latest computerized equipment for analyzing UFO photographs, presented by their President, David Rutland. Reservations to attend this exciting meeting should be placed directly with the hotel via toll-free telephone (800) 854-2933. The toll-free number for California residents in (800) 532-3733. Other surprise demonstrations are planned through Hal Starr, who is acting as Chairman of UFO '79.

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In Others' Words

The August 28 issue of **NATIONAL ENQUIRER** features a UFO photograph taken at Johannesburg, South Africa, on August 8, 1978. All current indications are that the photograph is valid. The September 4 issue reports a recent poll conducted by **INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT** magazine, indicating that 61% of the scientists questioned were of the opinion that UFOs "probably" exist. A highly suspect story of UFOs being involved in the Apollo 11 lunar landing is presented in the September 11 issue. While there may well have been astronaut/UFO encounters which have not been made public, this particular article smacks of the totally fictional "transcripts" of astronauts' conversations from the Moon which received so much undeserved publicity a few years ago. Another article in this issue suggests that the descriptions of Venus, based on information from U.S. and Soviet space probes, are virtually identical to the Biblical picture of Hell. Dr. Irwin Ginsburgh, author of **FIRST, MAN. THEN, ADAM!**, suggests that ancient space visitors gave a description of Venus to primitive Earthman, accounting for the "fire and brimstone" stories of Hell. The September 18 issue tells of an abduction case which allegedly occurred near Tyler, Texas, on January 24, 1979, and which is being investigated by the Houston-based "Project Visit" research group.

THE STAR for August 28 repeats some of the UFO reports and rumors from the Soviet Union, including one scientist's opinion that UFOs are really bands of "cold radiation" in the atmosphere. The September 18 issue reports on the recent Minnesota incident in which a deputy sheriff was injured and his patrol car damaged by a UFO.

James Oberg's "UFO Update" column in the September issue of **OMNI** is largely devoted to the Bill Pecha sighting near Colusa, California, in 1976. Oberg concludes that "there was a UFO over Colusa County that night," but "the dispute still rages over what, if anything, it proved."

Shirley Hoffman's article in the October issue of **FATE** tells of a 1978 case from near Union, Missouri, in which a car was allegedly lifted partially off the road by a low-flying UFO. Physical evidence, in the form of indentations, was found on the car's trunk.

The November issue of **UFO REPORT** contains articles by Stanton T. Friedman, John Charles Seely, Jim Miles, William L. Moore, James Oberg, and others. The contributions by Seely and Moore are of particular interest, as is Friedman's exposition of his views on the UFO phenomenon.

The #5 issue of **UFO UPDATE**, while containing a few items of interest, is largely rehash of familiar material.

More warmed-over material is served up in the #15 issue of **TRUE UFOs & OUTER SPACE**, including reprints from older issues of **TRUE**.

The #8 issue of **IDEAL'S UFO MAGAZINE**, with its usual mixture of fiction and rehash, is now on the stands. Enough said!

STAMP DONATIONS

Donations of cancelled foreign stamps, whose sale supports international exchange of UFO information, are acknowledged from Ted Bloecher, New York, N.Y.; Idabel & Marilyn Epperson, Los Angeles, Calif.; Lou Farish, Plumerville, Ark.; Cynthia Hind, Salisbury, Rhodesia; Fred Merritt, Lombard, Ill.; and William L. Moore, Herman, Minn.

Mark R. Herbstritt **Astronomy Notes**

THE SKY FOR OCTOBER 1979

Mercury — By the end of the month it is at greatest elongation east (24 degrees), but the elongation is very unfavorable, the planet standing only 7 degrees above the western horizon at sunset.

Venus — Venus, which was unfavorably placed in the morning sky until August, is now unfavorably placed in the evening sky. Although technically an evening "star", 10 to 18 degrees east of the sun, it is too close to the horizon to be seen.

Mars — Moving from Cancer into Leo, it rises at midnight and is almost due south at sunrise.

Jupiter — In Leo, it rises about 5 hours before the sun, and is high in the southeast at sunrise.

Saturn — Moving from Leo into Virgo, it rises about 3 hours before the sun, and is low in the southeast at sunrise. By the end of October, the rings of Saturn will be seen edge-on, and will effectively disappear from view.



DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

by
Walt Andrus

For MUFON to be an effective and viable organization, we need competent and enthusiastic leadership at the State and State Section levels. Since all of us are volunteers, we invite present members who are now serving as Field Investigators, Research Specialists, or Field Investigator Trainees to upgrade their status based upon their education, training, and experience by writing to your International Director signifying your desires. This is especially applicable in states such as Nevada, Utah, Washington, Idaho, Wyoming, North and South Dakota, Vermont, Rhode Island, Puerto Rico, Alaska, and Hawaii where our coverage is not adequate. We also invite Journal subscribers to take a more active role, if they are so inclined, and become a part of the solution to the UFO phenomenon by expanding their knowledge as Field Investigators or Field Investigator Trainees.

Two definite steps have been taken at the recommendations of the former State Directors to bolster the leadership by the following appointments. Robert E. Engberg, formerly a State Section Director, has been elevated to the position of State Director for Minnesota. A Professional Engineer, Bob may be contacted at P.O. Box 80143, St. Paul, MN 55108 or by telephone at (612) 646-7331. Gerald K. Ginnings, Ph.D., formerly State Director for Tennessee, has suggested that someone from the Oak Ridge (ORION) group become the State Director since ORION personnel have become the hub of activity in their state. David K. Hackett, M.S. has volunteered to serve as State Director for Tennessee. David is currently the Director of ORION and is employed at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory. Dave and his wife Nancy reside at 6500 Trousdale Road, Knoxville, TN 37921 and may be contacted by telephone at

(615) 584-6547. Dave and Nancy attended the 1978 MUFON UFO Symposium in Dayton, Ohio, where we had the privilege of meeting them personally. Dr. Ginning's relationship with MUFON goes back to 1973 when he attended our symposium in Kansas City, Mo. Nancy is a Research Specialist in Psychology to MUFON.

An example of an individual who accepted our invitation to take a leadership role in MUFON is Don Mason, who is the new State Section Director in Idaho for Ada, Gem, Payette, Canyon, Boise, and Elmore counties. Don resides at 113 East 45th Space 8 in Boise, ID 83704 and telephone (208) 376-4374.

The Second Edition of the MUFON "Field Investigator's Manual," edited by Raymond E. Fowler, Director of Investigations, was published in June 1975. Planning is now underway to publish the third edition by June of 1980, since we only have 300 copies of the second edition available for distribution. Considering the rapid strides being made in the scientific investigation of the UFO phenomenon, a revised and updated edition is urgently needed so the very latest techniques may be utilized. As Director of Investigations, Ray will edit the third edition with MUFON Consultants, Researchers, and Investigators adding their particular fields of expertise to individual specialized chapters as in the past.

The following gentlemen have been invited to prepare either entirely new chapters or update their current subject based upon the state-of-the-art: Dr. Bruce Maccabee -- Photographic Evidence; Dr. Richard F. Haines -- Visual Identification and Recognition; Ted Phillips -- Investigations of Alleged UFO Landing Sites; Wayne Laporte -- Chart on object sizes; Ted Bloecher and David Webb -- Investigation of Entity Cases; Ron Westrum and Bob

Stinson -- Reliability Assessment of Eyewitness Testimony; and J. Allen Hynek, Ph. D. -- Interface with the Center for UFO Studies.

An entirely new chapter will be prepared by Walt Andrus concerning the duties and responsibilities of each of the membership categories in the Mutual UFO Network. In addition to Ray Fowler's instructions in the preparation of the nine MUFON UFO Sighting Report Forms, we have asked Richard H. Hall, Editor of the MUFON UFO Journal, to write a section dwelling upon the narrative style of reporting suitable for publication in the Journal. Since we still have a good supply of the nine specialized UFO sighting report forms, they will continue to be used for at least another 5 years. Ray Fowler and his colleagues in Massachusetts did such an exceptionally fine job on the report forms, there is no need to revise them.

At this time Ray Fowler and Walt Andrus invite contributions not only from our Consultants, but also from all MUFON members for specialized material that should be considered a part of the Field Investigator's Manual. A color chart that is commercially available in an 8½ x 11 inch format is a necessity. Other suggested areas dealing directly with the specialized reporting forms are Electrical/Magnetic, Animal Effects, Radar, Psychological/Physiological, and Landing/Traces/Artifacts are vitally needed from people qualified in these fields. It is conceivable that Leonard H. Stringfield may be able to add considerable information to the entity chapter in co-operation with Ted Bloecher.

No deadlines for material to be submitted have been established, since this is the first membership notification for papers. We need basic scientific guidelines for UFO investigations for the manual, not theoretical or
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