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### KARL T. PFLOCK SPEAKS TO NM MUFON

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#### by Carolyn Duce-Ashe

On Thursday, September 22, Karl Pflock told us about his monograph, *Roswell in Perspective* (*RiP*) and signed copies he had brought along.

After being introduced by NM MUFON State Director Dan DeMar, as, among other things, a former employee of a controversial government agency, Karl said, "I want to emphasize the 'former' when we talk about the CIA." There was some nervous laughter from parts of the audience.

Karl gave us a "quick and dirty sort of outline" of the Roswell incident and then proceeded to discuss what we really know about the case:

1. We know there was a debris field and that Brazel found it on the Foster ranch.

2. We know what it was — Project Mogul. There's a solid body of evidence to support this. Even Phil Klass accepts Mogul as the explanation. Karl said he also got a note from Kevin Randle saying, "It sounds like you've got the Mogul thing nailed."

3. We know Glenn Dennis is a credible witness and that he speaks of "bodies." Karl is now going to zero in on that issue, the bodies. (He is also making an effort to locate the nurse.)

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## FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK... High Strangeness In Northern (And Southern!) New Mexico

#### Mutilations continue...

The mute update in last month's issue illustrates the epidemic nature of the mutilation phenomenon in northern New Mexico. Since then, Gail Staehlin and Gene Nieri have investigated three of the more than twenty mutilations reported from Taos, Eagle's Nest and Clayton, New Mexico this month (October). Some of these were reported to have occurred on the same night or within the same week in October.

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The first case, near Clayton (see clippings on pages 5 and 6) and involving a sound "beam", brought a new high strangeness to an already strange phenomenon. It was covered by Linda Howe on *Dreamland*.

A second mutilation, also near Clayton, was investigated by Gene Nieri on Friday, October 7. This mutilation was a "classic," having the features we've come to expect, including rectum cored out, lower jaw flesh removed down to the bone, teats sliced off smooth with the belly, eye sucked out, and rear hip bone broken. In addition, there were other elements of "high strangeness": in the area around where the cow was found all the cow chips were overturned and the thick grass had been bent and blown away in spots three to twelve feet in diameter. There were also tiny depressions in the grayish, barren dirt which looked like someone had pressed a Dixie Cup into the ground. This was in normally grassy land near a water tank and windmill.

But the strangeness didn't stop with the mutilated cow. Gene told me he was very accurate about the time he spent investigating and while driving home: he drank coffee to stay alert, and

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Dennis may have been at the base when an accident happened. Maybe the bodies were not alien. "The Jury is still out on aliens," Karl said. The alien aspect might have been added by wellmeaning but over-zealous researchers. Still, Pflock speaks well of Dennis, saying "His honesty is above question and his recollection accurate."

4. There's nothing credible to support a "spaceship." Karl said he is looking into the possibility that "something else" may have also crashed at the same time the Mogul array went down. "There could have been some oddball or unusual or questionable experiments going on at the time," he said. He hinted that perhaps something embarrassing could have happened involving the death of some personnel, the participation of people in some secret project going on at the same time as Mogul. This is what his continuing research will focus on.

Karl then answered some questions. When asked about his mysterious informant "Reluctant," he declined to divulge his identity but said "Reluctant"s testimony is important because he believes "Reluctant" got out to the site before the military did.

Karl noted that there was *no* real justification for the Air Force not talking about Project Mogul as it relates to Roswell because Mogul was declassified in the 1970s.

And concerning the GAO investigation, Karl said it is his opinion that the Army is "where the gold really is." That's where we'll find out more about Roswell. The GAO investigation is ongoing and has quite a few more governmental areas to look into.

Karl also explained the problems with the "little green men" stories told by Frank Joyce. He said Frank said Mac Brazel had referred to them ("only they weren't green") on one occasion but then, later, he attributed the story to Whitmore. Who said it? It's not clear. But when Frank Joyce spoke to us last year (see issue #7), he told us that Brazel had said it. Joyce seemed completely sincere and credible to me.

Karl said research for *RiP* was, in general, difficult because of the "bandwagon effect." Everyone wants to tell his story. And, after all these years, there is the chance of "induced memory" in witnesses. Or some stories may have been influenced by researchers who may have asked leading questions. Also, there have been some witnesses who have been proven not to be credible (namely Kaufmann — Ed.)

But Karl said that Roswell is an important case for many reasons. "If the answer turns out not to

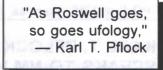
be alien," he said, "how UFO researchers deal with it will be important."

That's true. Maybe the CIA, with or without Karl, will be watching for our reactions, too... Who knows?

# **RiP REVIEWED:** Roswell in Perspective, by Karl T. Pflock

reviewed by Carolyn Duce-Ashe

Roswell in Perspective (RiP) is, in my opinion, the best researched, best documented and best written book on Roswell. I've



read them all and I think Pflock's book is the most objective and clearest written account of the Roswell events of 1947.

The 191-page report includes case-specific documentation, affidavits of 25 witnesses, and the complete text of the first in-depth interview with Jesse A. Marcell, Sr. It also includes facsimiles of contemporaneous UP wire stories and, of course, extracts from a report on Project Mogul.

The book sets out to distinguish between the myth and the truth about Roswell. This is done through meticulous research on facts and interviews of eye-witnesses.

The most obvious discrepancy that *RiP* reveals is found in the testimony of Frank Kaufman. It turns out that much of Kaufman's testimony cannot be verified and that many of the myths around Roswell, the impact site, and certain elements of the cover-up may have been generated by Kaufman's storytelling.

Pflock begins the book by quoting Euripides — "Man's most valuable trait is a judicious sense of what not to believe." This is the theme of the first part of the book, as Pflock tries to sort out fact from fiction and establish the chronology of events and verify them.

Pflock makes the point that this will be an ongoing research project and he characterizes the importance of the Roswell case by saying, "As Roswell goes, so goes ufology."

*RiP* goes into detail examining Randle and Schmitt's "revisionist" account, including questions about Jim Ragsdale's story and certain inconsistencies in it. Pflock concludes that the revisionist theory is fatally flawed. The exact date of the crash, how many flights of debris went where, and the role played by Dr. Lincoln La Paz of UNM are a few of the items discussed in the monograph.

Then Project Mogul is introduced. Project Mogul was a Top Secret project at Alamogordo Army Air Field (see NM MUFON News #16 for details). There were some eleven flights of the huge array, as well as a few unnumbered flights. One of these, probably Flight 9, came down on Mac Brazel's ranch.

A detailed description of the materials used and the instruments included in the Mogul packages matches the debris descriptions in many ways (but there are a few things, such a the "hieroglyphics," which are hard to account for).

Pflock shows how a cover story to protect the secret Mogul project was disseminated. He quotes from a special witness he calls "Reluctant," another Deep Throat type, who claims to have seen the debris and maintains that he still has a piece of it (*RiP*, page 87).

The matter of the bodies is the big question in the Roswell Story. *RiP* contains a lot of testimony, but the heart of the matter lies with Glenn Dennis, with whom Pflock has become friends and who Pflock respects as an honest and credible witness.

Pflock states, "I am personally convinced that there were bodies and that they were either alien entities or humans or other earthly creatures who had undergone something horrible." (page 95)

As an afterword, Pflock states that Dennis is now "absolutely certain it was the afternoon of Monday, July 7 when he received the calls about body preservation and caskets." This more or less pinpoints the date.

*RiP* leaves the door open for the reality of the bodies and Pflock says he is committed to continuing the search for the truth about Roswell. He says, "It could be a key into excesses that were committed in the name of national security at the dawn of the Cold War... Whatever the answer, I hope we are up to it." (p. 117). I agree.

For signed copy of Karl Pflock's *Roswell in Perspective* inscribed to the buyer (or whoever you wish), send \$25 (which includes shipping and handling and is \$3 less than the FUFOR price), to Karl T. Pflock, PO Box 93338, Albuquerque, NM 87199-3338. If you've waited to purchase this fine book, please consider doing so now as Karl is graciously donating 20% of each sale to NM MUFON! Continued from page 1...

paid attention to roadsigns, etc. Still, he says he has about forty-five minutes of missing time that occurred on the return trip! He also has a nasty cross-shaped scratch on the back of his right leg, just below the calf. He said he has no idea how he got it. He discovered it on Sunday, and it was still visible more than a week later. Gene thinks it may leave a scar. He notes that he was unusually sleepy the day following the incident and understandably wonders just what happened. He told me that he saw a strange red light in a field along the route toward home; it changed intensity and then disappeared. It occurred at about the same time he figures he lost that 45 minutes.

But here's the clincher — The rancher who owned that mutilated cow saw an unidentified helicopter parked on his ranch land about a week before the mutilation happened! If this isn't a strange case, I don't what is. Gene took samples of the cow and they have been sent to several labs for analysis. We'll let you know the results.

Another possible mutilation was discovered by one of our local members near Abo, south of Albuquerque while he was out looking at land. It seems the mutilations are occurring everywhere, and are more than our present volunteer force can investigate. Needless to say, some ranchers and cattle inspectors are spooked and don't want to talk about the mutilations, but investigators are still needed.

Bill English called me from Cloudcroft, New Mexico and reported that he had heard rumors of mutilations occurring on the Mescalero Apache reservation and local ranches in southern New Mexico. He claimed that there were more than three hundred last year (1993). We haven't been able to verify this yet, but is looks as though the mute phenomenon may be statewide.

As cold weather comes I wonder if the mutilations will cease or if they will continue though the winter, as they did in Alabama. We'll soon find out.

Gail and Gene have a call in to Senator Pete Dominici to have a meeting. Domenici has said he wants to do something about the mutilation situation, even suggesting bringing in the FBI.

Fox's *Sightings* is in New Mexico right now (October 20, 1994) filming for another segment on the mutilations. Yesterday, Gail was interviewed along with ranchers Eli Hronich and Tom Reed. Researcher Chris O'Brien, publisher of *The Mysterious Valley Report* newsletter\*, from Colorado was also interviewed. There have been many mutilations recently in southern Colorado. On Monday, October 24, Channel 41 (Spanish, not on cable) in Albuquerque will interview Gail about the mutilation phenomenon.

#### Taos Hum — It's All In Their Heads?

That's what researchers from UNM and others are saying about the five-year-old hum phenomenon and those who hear it. Not that it's imaginary, but that certain people hear it and others don't. "It's something in the environment or something special in the individual that perceives the hum," says Dr. Jim Kelly, director of research in the Dept. of Surgery at UNM's School of Medicine.

This spring, UNM conducted a survey to find out the extent of the phenomenon. Out of 1,440 respondents in Taos and nearby towns, 161 "hearers" were found. 73% were between the ages of 30 and 59, and they were evenly divided by sex. These results indicate that the hum is not a result of hearing loss, according to Kelly.

Two-thirds of the hearers reported hearing the Hum for more than a year, and 75% reported hearing it at least once a week. Five percent of hearers said they hear the hum constantly. 23% say they can hear the hum outside the Taos area. (There have been reports of a hum in at least nine states, including Texas and England.)

Joe Mullins, a mechanical engineer at UNM, is also part of the team working on identifying the hum. He and Dr. Kelly have developed microphones and a soundproof chamber to test the low-frequency hearing of those who hear the hum.

It may be that hearers have spectacular lowfrequency sensitivity that some how runs amok. One hearer feels she is picking up signals from a system that the U.S. Navy uses to communicate with submarines.

We await the results of the hearing tests...

#### Midway Sightings Update

I called Jose Escamilla on October 20 and was told that his phone number had been temporarily discontinued. I will try to contact Jose and report more in the next issue...

#### Has Ed Gone West?

On October 18 I tried to call Ed Dames of PsiTech for an update since many readers have asked what he is doing nowadays and what became of the alleged "Big Event". Directory assistance gave me a new number for him, I called it and an answering machine said I had reached the West Coast office of Psi Tech! I left a message, but I haven't received a return call yet. We'll let you know what we find out, if anything...

Well, as you can see there's been a lot going on in New Mexico this month, most of it pretty strange. Stay tuned.

\*Chris O'Brien is offering a special subscription rate for *The Mysterious Valley Report*. Write him for details at PO Box 223, Crestone, CO 81131.

#### CALENDAR

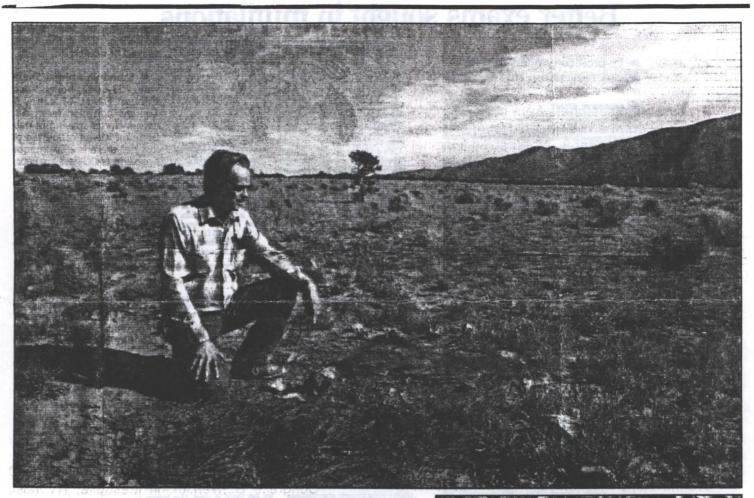
- October 27: NM MUFON meeting: 7:30 pm at the Discovery Bookstore, 1540 Juan Tabo NE, Albuquerque. Gene Nieri will show a video and talk about recent cattle mutilation investigations. Hoagland's tape on moon anomalies, part 2, will also be shown.
- Oct. 30: Trip to Roswell, meeting with rancher Mrs. Proctor to see the debris field. For info, call 298-3950.
- Nov. 12-13: CIRAEP UFO Conference: "What the UFO Experience is Really All About," Philadelphia, PA, (215) 878-3100.
- Nov. 27-Dec. 4: 4th Annual International UFO Congress Convention in Mesquite, NV (also Film Festival and EBE awards). Info: UFO Congress, 4266 Broadway, Oakland, CA, 94611, (510) 428-0340.
- Dec. 22: NM MUFON meeting: 7:30 pm at the Discovery Bookstore. Our speaker will be Jim DeKorne, of El Rito, NM. He is a researcher and author of several books, including *Psychedelic Shamanism*, and editor of *The Enthiogen Review*. He will speak about higher consciousness and how it relates to UFOs, shamanism, and altered states. (I met Jim on October 14 at his home and we had an enlightening discussion on many topics — ed.) Don't miss it!

### ANNOUNCEMENTS



Remember! No NM MUFON meeting in November because of Thanksgiving. Don't miss the December meeting with speaker Jim DeKorne. *Psychedelic Shamanism*, by Jim DeKorne, is at the Brotherhood of Light and the Living Batch bookstores for \$19.95, or you can order it

directly for \$19.95 plus \$4 S&H (order number 85182) from Loompanics Unlimited, PO Box 1197, Port Townsend, WA 98368.



(Above) Tom Reed, manager of Tres Ritos Ranch, kneels beside the remains of a mutilated cow from last May. The ranch is north of Questa. (Right) The bones of the mutilated cow are still visible.

# Videotape records exam of mutilated carcass

TAOS — A videotape shot last May at the site of a mutilated cow investigation at the Tres Ritos Ranch near Questa provides documentation of that event.

Last week, ranch manager Tom Reed showed a Journal reporter the tape taken at the time livestock inspector Jerry Valerio examined the carcass on May 31, the day after the discovery.

During last week's viewing, Reed pointed out what he thought was the abnormal pinkish color of the cow's flesh and an exposed hip socket bone which he thought was an abnormal green color.

On the tape a ranchhand can be heard describing a smell emanating from the animal's mouth as someone holds it open.

"Kind of like that old hydrochloric acid smell or battery acid smell," the ranchhand says.

On the tape a white substance can be seen on someone's fingertips after apparently touching the cow's flesh. The fingers are those of Valerio, who said at the time that he felt a burning sensation in them, according to Reed.

-Andrew Stiny



# Better exams sought in mutilations

► Ex-prosecutor offers help in solving mysterious cattle deaths.

Javonal North



TAOS — A new approach with more expertise is needed to properly investigate the recent spate of cattle mutilations in New Mexico, says a Taos attorney and former prosecutor.

Experienced, trained investigators in various fields should be summoned immediately to cattle mutilation sites and those sites should be preserved, attorney John Paternoster said.

"These carlle mutilations, animal mutilations should be investigated as a crime scene," Paternoster said. "No conclusions ought to be reached immediately or subsequent to the discovery of the scene, at all, unless and until there are a series of examinations that lead to hard, conclusive facts."

Paternoster, who was a prosecutor for nine years including 21/2 years as head of the

including 21/2 years as head of the state attorney general's investigation division, believes more evidence may be overlooked than found at mutilation scenes.

Paternoster would either like to assemble a team of forensic experts to visit mutilation scenes and use set procedures for fact finding or at the least he would like to review evidence people submit, to refine investigative procedures.

Discussions with client Tom Reed, manager of the 3.800-acre Tres Ritos Ranch north of Questa, sparked the interest of Pater-

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By either going to the scene, or at least examining other reports "we could then determine what they (other investigators) did that was flawed, avoid the same mistakes and try to more specifically develop a line of inquiry that would lead us to results." he said.

He also said, "We're not going in assuming it's predators or that it's Satan worshipers or anything. We want

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to let the evidence available at the crime scene lead us in whatever direction it leads us."

He said he would contact the New Mexico Livestock Board with his suggressions. Funding for the type of investigation he suggests would hopefully come from grants or donations, he said.

"It's a serious problem," he said. "Speaking with ranchers in northern New Mexico, in most instances herds are not insured."

Reed had been to a mutilation seminar before one of his cows was found mutilated on the ranch last May. He supports Paternoster's efforts.

"I think it's a good idea," Reed said. "Anybody that comes up with a different viewpoint might stand a chance of finding something some body else hasn't found."

In the May incident, an eyeball and the tongue were missing from the cow and a hole had been cut below the tail but the sex organs were there, Reed said. It appeared scavengers had been feeding on the animal he said.

"Predators don't do the stuff we've been calling mutilations," Reed said. "I would maybe lean a little bit toward the cult thing," he offered as a possible explanation.

The state livestock board recently announced that some of their inspectors say the mutilations are not the work of predators. That assessment contradicts a yearlong, 1980 mutilation study by ex-FBI agent Kenneth Rommel done for the 1st Iudicial District Attorney.

"After laboriously weighing and analyzing the evidence l have come

to the conclusion that the vast majority of mutilations are caused by predators and acavengers," Rommel states in his report.

Rommel when asked Monday in a phone interview about the contradiction of him saying it's predators and some inspectors recently saying it's not, said, "I think they're (the inspectors) crazy. I don't think they know what they are talking about."

Inform what they are talking about." "I felt I did a very thorough investigation. In my opinion nothing has changed," Rommel said. No causes of death were determined for the 15 mutilations he visited because there were few labs to do it then (1980) and dead cattle are hard to transport, Rommel said.

Rommel said his camera disproved stories of no blood, no chues or other physical evidence of scavengers being present at mutilations. When asked why a veterinarian didn't accompany him to the mutilation sites, he replied, "I did not need a vet."

Kevin McClellan, deputy director of the livestock board, couldn't reconcile the contradiction between the 1980 findings and the livestock board's recent predator announcement, saying he had not read the 1980 report.

"I don't know what all he (Rommel) looked at," McClellan said in a phone interview Monday, but he said he welcomed Paternoster's interest.

"Great, excellent," McClellan said when told of Paternoster's ideas, adding the board would accept help from anyone. "We'll take all the help we can get

"We'll take all the help we can get ... our end result is to solve it, how we get there is open. Our bottom line is to get it solved," he said.

# Clayton cow death called suspicious

JOURNAL CORRESPONDENT

TAOS — Circumstances surrounding the death of a cow found 20 miles west of Clayton last Tuesday are "suspicious." a state livestock inspector says.

But Dwayne Massey, a Claytonbased ins ctor for the New Mexico livestock Board, is not calling the death a mutilation at this point. "I don't know whether it was or

not (a mutilation). I can't say it is and I can't say it isn't," Massey said by phone Friday.

There have been at least 30 cattle mutilations in northern New Mexico in the past 18 months. according to media reports. prompting an investigation by the livestock board and an offer by Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., to make federal resources available.

Three weeks ago in Mora County a man reported a mutilated cow and another cow being dragged through brush by a sound "beam" which he said stopped after he fired several shots in the direction of the beam.

Massey said he was called last Tuesday aiternoon to a ranch he did not want to identify, where he found a cow with its rectal area removed. Unlike some incidents termed mutlations, this cow had its tongue intact, but there was no apparent blood around the animal, no signs of a struggie. no tracks and no suspicious activity reported, according to Massey. "I don't know what did it." Massey said. "It doesn't look like any of the rest of them I've seen ... some things about it. doesn't look natural." Massey said he took photographs and the Union County Sheriff's

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Office videota d the scene. No tissue samples were taken from the animal and he has had no requests from the Albuquerque headquartera of the New Mexico Livestock Board to obtain samples, Massey said. The incident is still under investigation, he said. Kevin McClellan, deputy director

of the state Livestock Board, said Monday the board is working toward requiring tissue samples

from all cattle that are believed mutilated.

Fifteen years ago during other mutilations, the National Guard and other agencies were involved in the investigation but nothing was resolved Massey said, adding that he hoped a resolution could be found this time. The Livestock Board has discounted predators as being the cause of the recent mutilations.

Massey put the market value of the Clayton cow at about \$800 to

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# FROM OUT OF THE BLUE!

Dear Editor:

In the 1980's I hunted for gemstones in a place near Las Cruces. New Mexico. It was semi-desert country and I took a lot of pictures out there. After the pictures were developed, I found many strange things in the pictures. I have one picture of a train out where there are no tracks. I have one real good picture of a UFO. I have a picture of one of the little aliens who live in caves underground. Before I left the area, they had begun to build these strange copper-colored tanks on the sides of the arroyos. There were many of them. I had one picture of an open trap-door in the ground and coming out of it was a man in a space suit. This one has disappeared. I had guite a lot of experiences with the three-toed, hairy people also. I called the small aliens the Serpent people for they make carved stone amulets and strew them all over the desert and each stone has a snake carved on it...

I also (for a while) had an implant in my lower lip but they have removed it. I am no longer able to tramp the hills, but I have plenty of reminders of what it was like.

Sincerely, Cosette Willoughby, Arizona

[from your producer: I lived in Las Cruces in the late 50s/early 60s the most thrilling thing we had was two grainy TV stations out of El Paso... Hiking in the desert looking for rocks was lots of fun though - DS]

Dear Carolyn,

When we had our last conversation, we spent some time discussing the Taos's HUM. Recently this document came into my hands and discusses, among other things, a very distinct sound emanating from the Power Line Towers.

We have a pretty good researcher working on this Problem/Opportunity during the last few years. Perhaps you have a potential collaborator in your area that might allow them to swap techniques and results.

If you're interested, please let me know.

Ted Lewandowski 125 Granville Ave Roselle, IL 60172

[Locally you can get in touch with Carolyn to see the document, or write Mr. Lewandowski for more information]

### YOUR CO-WORKER COULD BE A SPACE ALIEN!

The following important information was found on the Internet. It was apparently adapted from the Weekly World News, an obviously far-sighted publication. We reproduce it here to assist you in your investigations...

Many Americans work side by side with Space Aliens who look human — but you can spot these visitors from another planet by looking for certain tipoffs, say experts. They listed 12 signs to look out for:

1. Odd or Mismatched clothes, "Often Space Aliens don't fully understand style so they wear combinations that are in bad taste, such as a NeXT T-shirt with a Tux and sneakers", says noted UFO expert Brad Kitzel.

2. Strange Diet or Unusual Eating Habits. Space Aliens may eat large quantities of chips; they cannot distinguish between silicon or tortilla chips, some colored blue, with green pungent sauces. Many Aliens will not eat with Humans, so they can be seen eating in their cars, which may be disguised space ships with alien atmospheres. Aliens may eat unusual combinations such as peanut butter, which has an oil used in making personal computer boards, with pop-corn or tomatoes.

3. Bizarre sense of humor. Aliens who don't understand Earthly humor may laugh during serious company presentations or tell jokes that nobody understands. They may read the "Far Side" during work hours, or over analyze RAP music.

4. Take Frequent Sick Days. "Space Aliens may get sick in the Earth's atmosphere more often than natives. They may also need to rejuvenate their energy sources", says Dr. Richard W. Erlich, the noted author of 16 Ways to Do the Servo.

5. Keeps voluminous written notes or uses tape recorded or video diary. "Aliens are constantly gathering information", says exo-biologist Dr. Karen Davidson, noted author of "Alien noises recorded in secret," printed recently in MUFON *Journal*.

6. Misuses everyday items. Frequently Space Aliens are seen using paper clips to construct various unknown devices. Space aliens may eat paper to gain secret knowledge or scotch tape their eyes shut.

7. Constant questioning of co-workers. "Space aliens, who are trying to learn about earth culture may ask stupid questions," Erlich said.

8. Secretive about personal lifestyle or home life. "An Alien won't discuss domestic details or talk

about what it does on the weekends," says Shaw.

9. Frequently talks to himself or whistles unknown melodies off-key. Aliens carry around secret radio transmitters and can talk or whistle in special code languages. They may be relaying messages to Mother Ships orbiting the Earth.

10. Displays a change in mood or physical reaction to high tech hardware. "An Alien might experience a change in mood or be affected by a microwave communication or by a garage door opener," says Davidson.

11. Is particular about colors and can perceive color differences that are invisible to normal humans. "Aliens have a different set of visual pigments and chemo-receptors," says Davidson.

12. Space Aliens may need to go "Swimming" at noon every day to refresh themselves if they come from a water-based planet.

Experts say that a co-worker would have to display many if not most of these signs to be positively identified as Space People. Please report to the alt.aliens news group [on internet] immediately if you see one.

Later this note was added by some knowing observer...

13. Not yet very familiar with various Earthly species, Aliens often speak to dogs, uttering complex statements, as if the dogs could actually understand.

For the computer literate, Brent H. Howatt added:

14. Inability to set text editor to 80 character line length.

To which a Michael B. Thomas responded:

This, of course, is because Reptilians have 9 fingers (everyone *knows* that Reps dislike bilateral symmetry and New England clam chowder). They set their text editors to 81 columns, which is 100 noval (nonal? whatever).

And in response to the above article, on August 12, 1994, Maurizio Morabito wrote in:

EHI! ALL the americans I know in Tsukuba are PRECISELY described by those signs! Space People use American passport to invade Japan! HELP! HELP! mauriziops BTW I started wondering my origins. Maybe 2nd star to the right...

and Thomas Hardman replied:

Again, oh, damn. Next thing you know, he'll figure out that the US Department of State is controlled by Space Aliens. Hmmm, not too improbable, if you look at old films of Henry Kissinger's head, it actually seems to be an almost unavoidable conclusion.

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