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UFO FESTIVAL

JULY 1-2, 1995 • ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO • EVENT LISTING AND DESCRIPTION

SPECIAL-EFFECTS SHOW — "The UFO Incident Revisited"

An evening featuring music, laser-light show, fireworks, and skydivers. This event will use illusions to take the spectator back to the original 1947 event. Location: Wool Bowl or the Bottomless Lakes State Park.

UFO FUN RUN - The Roswell Runners' Club

An early Saturday morning run for professional and amateur runners. Costumed runners encouraged and welcomed. Each participant will receive a UFO EVENT T-shirt. Awards given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in each specific age division.

UFO FESTIVAL/TRADE SHOW — Located at Debremond Stadium

General festival with exhibits, food concessions, and traders of science-fiction paraphernalia and collectors' items. This 2-day event will be centrally located within the city, yet also draw spectators to key visitor-oriented facilities.

UNIDENTIFIED FLYING OBJECT RACE — street adjacent to Debremond

This event will feature a race of UFOs created and built by individuals, organizations, and corporations. The race will be similar to "out-house" races, the Dairy Days Boat Race, or a soap-box derby. The event will utilize the hill on Richardson or Pennsylvania streets. Cash prizes for respective finishers, as well as "most fanciful design." Related event is a childrens' parade before the race--this will attract additional spectators.

ROSWELL MUSEUM/PLANETARIUM — Special features

The director of the Planetarium has offered the facilities for special feature shows related to the possibility of life beyond the earth's surface, scientific determinations of requirements of alien lives, etc. The planetarium being the natural place for these features, will also draw spectators into the Robert H. Goddard Museum.

UFO-SIGHTING TESTIMONIAL/SPEAKERS

Famous UFO speakers, researchers, and advocates will be invited to be featured throughout the two-day festival. Several different locations throughout the city will be reserved, thus "showing-off" different facilities.

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TOURS TO 1947 UFO CRASH SITE — Hub Corn Ranch

In coordination with Mr. Hub Corn, these tours will actually take spectators to the original location of the 1947 UFO crash. Whether groups will be taken by bus, or by caravan is yet to be determined. The crash site is located approximately 30 miles north of Roswell.

For more information, call The Roswell Chamber of Commerce at 505-623-5695.

CALENDAR

Regular NM MUFON meetings are held at the Sandia Center (formerly the Discovery Bookstore) 1540 Juan Tabo NE in Albuquerque, at 7:30 PM, on the **FOURTH** Thursday of each month. Admission is \$2.

June 22: **NO REGULAR MEETING!!!**

June 23: NM MUFON SPECIAL EVENT!

Travis Walton and Mike Rogers will speak on *Fire In The Sky—The Real Story, And Then Some!*"

Savage Auditorium, Presbyterian Hospital Professional Bldg., 201 Cedar SE, 7 PM.
Admission — \$5. **Be there!**



June 23-25: **Whole Life Expo** at Santa Fe Indian School, 1501 Cerillos Rd. Santa Fe. 150 speakers on UFOs, metaphysics, health, personal growth, and spirituality. Admission: \$10-\$12 per day at door and \$25 per workshop. Call 800-332-0099.

June 24: "Ascension." **UFO theme event** with music, food, etc. 600 Wyoming NE. Admission \$12 at door. Infoline: 505-982-8683.

June 25: SPECIAL EVENT!

Stanton T. Friedman will speak on *Flying Saucers Are Real!* at Savage Auditorium, Presbyterian Hospital Professional Bldg., 201 Cedar SE, at 7 PM.
Admission is \$5. **Be there!**



July 7-9: **MUFON International Symposium** in Seattle at the SeaTac Airport Red Lion Inn. Speakers include Stanton Friedman, Linda Howe, Michael Lindemann and Karl T. Pflock. Registration \$65. Information: Marilyn Childs, PO Box 1012, Bothell, WA 98041-1012 or call 206-488-3805.

July 27: Regular NM MUFON meeting at 7:30 at Sandia Center. Caryl Dennis, Florida author of *The UFO Reference Book*, will speak on UFOs and crop circles.

August 8: NM MUFON SPECIAL EVENT!

Christopher O'Brien of Crestone, Colorado will speak on mutilations and other strange phenomena in the San Luis Valley of southern Colorado and northern New Mexico. At 7 PM at Savage Auditorium, Presbyterian Hospital Professional Bldg. \$5 per person. Don't miss this one!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you would like to receive a **postcard reminder** of upcoming local MUFON events, send your name and address to Debby Stark at 611 Lead SW, #918, Albuquerque, NM 87102.

JIM'S JOCUND JIBES

by Jim Ashe

GUYS COME AROUND

There's been a lot of flack lately over Dave Barry's *Complete Guide To Guys*. The award-winning *Miami Herald* humor columnist signed copies on May 27th at Page One in Albuquerque.

Albuquerque Journal Assistant Sports Editor Rick Wright is "eager" to have his wife read Barry's book. Ha! Women may buy these books for Father's Day. They don't read them. Get Dave to change the title: *Guys and Gals Bonding*.

All guys are men, but not all men are guys, says Dave. Do guys report UFOs? Better yet, do they see them? How about crop circles? Hey, Dave, do guys get abducted? I'll bet they wouldn't tell. Maybe brag a little if... but not give out her name. Guys have standards.

Is Johnny Cochran a guy? Up until he got "hysterical" I thought he could be... Are any of those guys, guys? Maybe Bailey—but where did he go? Is Harmon? Darden? Do guys eat quiche?

Back to the subject. Do guys sky watch? At the beach, maybe, lying on the sand, a strong wind blowing. Is that a definite yes? I didn't write the book. Barry did.

P.S. I thought that was the end of it. It wasn't! I read Friday's paper thinking it was Saturday's, so

naturally I drove one day late all the way over to the other side of town to pick up autographed copies of Barry's book for my brother and a friend. My Mother had always called my brother a great guy, and my friend, Tut, who lives in St Paul, is a guy, although strange. Ask his wife, Vi.

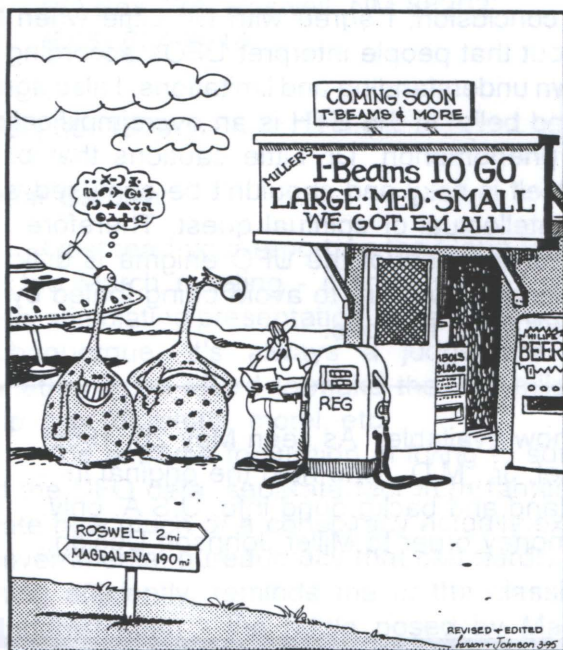
Vi went through High School with Tut. Yet, she's still married to him. Now there's a gal! Barry writes a book about guys, and he wants women--wives--to read it, presumably so they'll understand guys. Women aren't interested in understanding guys. But gals, while they don't waste their time in fits of understanding, do put up with guys, and that's something women--ladies--will never do, unless they are also gals.

A lady is a woman, maybe a wife and maybe a gal. A woman is not necessarily any of the above. But a gal is a woman--and a lady--and if she's a wife, there should be a guy, or else there's a waste. So that's why Tut is a guy. But he sure pushes it. Maybe Dave will write another book on this.

Well, it's obvious I never got those autographed copies on Saturday, since Dave sold all of them on Friday.

Guys don't mind mentioning something like this, it's the only way to complain about it. Another thing: it was too late to pick up that weed cutter. My wife has one with an electric cord. Guys can't use those. When guys retire, they do something else. But they're still guys. They need real reved up noise and they don't flay el toro with a cord. Might as well use a vacuum cleaner on the yard.

What does all this have to do with crop circles? They say things come around. Well, so do guys.



YEAH, YEAH, WE DISTRIBUTE I-BEAMS..
NOT EYE BEAMS.

BOOK REVIEW

Grand Illusions: The Spectral Reality Underlying Sexual UFO Abductions, Crashed Saucers, Afterlife Experiences, Sacred Ancient Sites, and Other Enigmas by Dr. Gregory L. Little.

White Buffalo Books, Memphis, Tennessee
1994, Softcover, \$19.95

Review by Carolyn Duce-Ashe:

from "The View from Hermit's Peak" newsletter
(available for \$18 per year from Richmar Earthgate Group, PO Box 14956, Albuquerque, NM 87191)

Dr. Little's book *Grand Illusions* is a must-read for everyone interested in the UFO phenomenon. Why? First, because Dr. Little is a psychologist and he has taken a skeptical, yet scholarly, look at the phenomenon, and he "explains some basic and fundamental points relative to human psychology, how our memories are shaped and reshaped and how myths are formed and created."

Second, though skeptical, the book covers both scientific and spiritual issues. It is a thoughtful, intelligent overview of existing UFO fact and "mythology." Reading this book is like taking a course in reality therapy. *Grand Illusions* invites the reader to question the fifty-year-old myths about "crashed saucers and pickled aliens" and challenges us to apply discernment and intellectual and spiritual honesty.

Third, the book explores a plethora of theories from many important writers. Carl Jung (archetypes, psychoid energy, visionary rumors, synchronicity), John Keel (the electromagnetic theory, the microbe under the microscope metaphor, Mothman), Michael Persinger and Gerald Hawkins (geomagnetic anomalies and earth lights), Jacques Vallee (history of fairy lore, incubus/succubus), Dr. Melvin Morse (NDEs, the spiritual world, Osiris mysteries), and Dr. Moody's psychomanteum experiments are all included. Dr. Little has done an excellent job of explaining these and other theories and shows how they relate to his electromagnetic spectrum theory.

The electromagnetic spectrum theory is not original to Dr. Little. He credits Jung and John Keel with it. But Dr. Little has elaborated it and makes a very good case for the spectral reality of UFOs as well as most other mysterious, miraculous, and paranormal events.

Dr. Little maintains that the mostly unseen electromagnetic spectrum can be tuned into by humans through rituals which alter brain chemistry and make it resonate with those frequencies. He

also affirms that there are real spectral entities which interact with us, expressing their reality through communication with us. He shows how electromagnetic energy can influence our brains and bodies magnetically and how all the experiences of abductees (including the sexual aspects) can be explained by these very real, but not extraterrestrial, entities which have loved to "play" with humans throughout history. In these ways, human consciousness is interconnected to the electromagnetic spectrum.

He further states that this phenomenon changes and adapts itself to our cultural beliefs and unconscious expectations and that it evolves with humanity. In fact, he says that this phenomenon has altered and shaped human history more than most of us would care to admit.

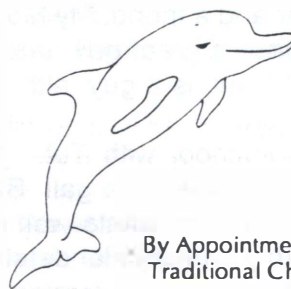
According to Dr. Little, the UFO phenomenon is very real, but is much more complex than is generally understood. It is a grand illusion because: (1) We haven't looked at the overall picture, (2) We refuse to focus on the real issues because we want the extraterrestrial hypothesis to be true, (3) Mainstream ufologists make money writing and lecturing on the mystery, not the reality of the phenomenon, and (4) There is a real conspiracy of deliberate disinformation and fraud.

Though I recommend this book very highly, I feel I should caution the reader on a few points. First, Dr. Little says more than once that he is a "Christian with firm beliefs." This may account for his warnings about occult practices and "malevolent" beings - it reflects his own fear-based bias about evil and Satan.

Second, I think he is mistaken about a few things. One example is his acceptance of John Keel's explanation for the Roswell case as a "fugo balloon." Clearly, there is more to this story - Project Mogul? - than a Japanese balloon bomb and the jury is still out on Roswell until the GAO investigation is complete.

Third, Dr. Little affirms that "there isn't much doubt that the cattle mutilations have been solved." I don't agree with this and feel there is a paranormal component in the mute phenomenon which

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merits further study. To his credit, Dr. Little has done a lot of research on mutes over many years and I learned of an unknown, to me, surveillance case of a dead cow over a 30-hour period, using a military night scope which showed predator action similar to classic mutes. He also tells of a case documenting Satanist activity in which cultists revealed to investigators how they drain blood, leave no tracks, use scalpels for surgery, and wear dark clothes in order to not be seen.

You may not accept Dr. Little's dismissal of the mute phenomenon as bizarre conspiracy beliefs, paranoia, or a case of "self-fulfilling rumor," but we, as muteologists, should not overlook the useful information found in his book on this topic.

One of the things he fails to address in the mute phenomenon is Dr. Altshuler's "cooked hemoglobin" findings. It would be interesting to know if any other pathologist have found similar evidence of high heat and how this could be explained by cult or predator activity.

In conclusion, I agree with Dr. Little when he points out that people interpret UFOs according to their own understanding and limitations. I also agree that blind belief in the ETH is an oversimplification of the phenomenon. Dr. Little cautions that blind belief itself is risky and shouldn't be confused with a true intellectual or spiritual quest. Therefore, an unbiased appraisal of the UFO enigma is difficult, but essential, if we are to avoid being fooled by all sorts of "Grand Illusions."

ROSWELL INCIDENT COLLECTOR'S I-BEAM: 3-D replica now available. As seen May 26, 1995 on Fox network's *Sightings* with and endorsed by Jesse Marcel, Jr., M.D., who held the original in his hands in July 1947. Complete with acrylic display tube, stand and background info. U.S.A. only. \$19.95 + \$3.00 s/h. NM residents add \$1.16 tax. Check or money order to Miller Johnson Design, 1620 Soplo Rd., SE, Albuquerque, NM 87123-4455.

OUT OF THE BLUE!

May 17, 1995

Dear Carolyn,

In October of '94, a researcher visiting Midway asked me to check my still pictures for paranormal images. The images on my pictures consist of orbs, smoke-like wisps, light beams, translucent organisms and a partially materialized figure, to name a few. All this time I thought they were mistakes on my part or poor developing. I am still sorting through negatives of pictures I've thrown away!

February 9, 1995, Berthold E. Schwarz, M.D. in the field of psychic phenomena, began researching my pictures. Dr. Schwarz found my photos "interesting and worthy of intensive study" and both Jose and I am "in the middle of enigmatic material."

Whenever we travel, we try to bring video and still cameras. Jose and I now have footage of UFOs in Roswell, Bottomless Lakes, and Santa Fe. If we don't catch UFOs on video, I get strange things on photographs. An NBC producer nicknamed us "the paranormal family." Incidentally while videotaping with me (across the street from the farm at Midway), he picked up a rod-shaped UFO on his tape.

I've started sending my pictures to more researchers and analysts, I hope to get responses within a couple of weeks. I will keep you updated and send copies of reports.

This past year has been a learning experience, I welcome any suggestions or theories.

Thank you for believing in us.

Karen Escamilla

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April 30, 1995

Dear Carolyn:

I just read your report on the Gabe Valdez talk at the March meeting - it sounds like I missed a very stimulating presentation. Alas, living so far from Albuquerque, it's always a judgement call on whether I can afford to make the 300 mile round-trip, pay for meals, motel, etc.

The extreme frustration in trying to sort out all of the UFO data, separate fact from fantasy, evaluate how much of a conspiracy actually exists in a governmental bureaucracy that can hardly do anything efficiently, reminds me of the classical Zen Buddhist koan - the riddle posed by Masters to disciples which by definition has no logical answer.

("What is the sound of one hand clapping?" is one well-known koan.) When you finally "get" the koan, you're supposedly enlightened, though what you've "gotten" cannot be communicated to others.

The UFO mystery presents all of the attributes of a koan posed by the cosmos to a benighted humanity on the verge of a major paradigm shift. Since the Zen koan is an alogical personal question, maybe each one of us is supposed to "get" the UFO koan in our own way. I don't know, but I do know that I can make myself nearly crazy trying to figure out all of the data via ordinary "logic." I have no problem at all imagining governmental duplicity - the history of the last fifty years has proven that fact to anyone with an IQ over 70: my problem is how a mindless bureaucracy (the very synonym for inefficiency, stupidity and corruption) could keep the lid on anything for longer than a year or two. (Witness Watergate, Iran-Contra, etc., etc.) The "logical" explanation is that super-human forces must be running the show - yet the information being leaked suggests that "they" want us to reach our own conclusions. Is that too logical? don't know. My personal hypothesis, inspired by the work of Keel, Vallee, McKenna, et al, is that we are three-dimensional chauvinists living in a multi-dimensional reality. Beyond that, I guess we'll just have to see how things reveal themselves. Keep up the good work!

Cordially,

Jim DeKorne, El Rito, NM

Dear Carolyn

Thank you for inviting me to speak at Albuquerque MUFON. The crowd was small, but they asked the *right* questions, and I enjoyed the talk...

Keep your eye on the sky.

Jim Mosely, Editor, *Saucer Smear*

(Jim's talk will be reviewed in the next issue-ed.)

March 24, 1995

Carolyn,

We did a lot of work to investigate the "UFO" which resulted in a paper published in the *MUFON Journal* #199 (Ewing and Warren).

We had monthly meetings. Nothing spectacular. Howard Burgess spoke on Cattle mutilations. We know as much now as then.

We subscribed to a N.M. clipping service. Again, just clippings on UFO's and mutilations. The graph [see Figure 1] summarized the work.

I was in the "ice house" about 10 years ago before I retired. It contained junk that could not be

thrown out in the county dump (low level radio-activity, etc.). Just junk after decades of business. No UFOs nor dried aliens or cattle. Nothing of any interest to the UFO business. Regardless of what

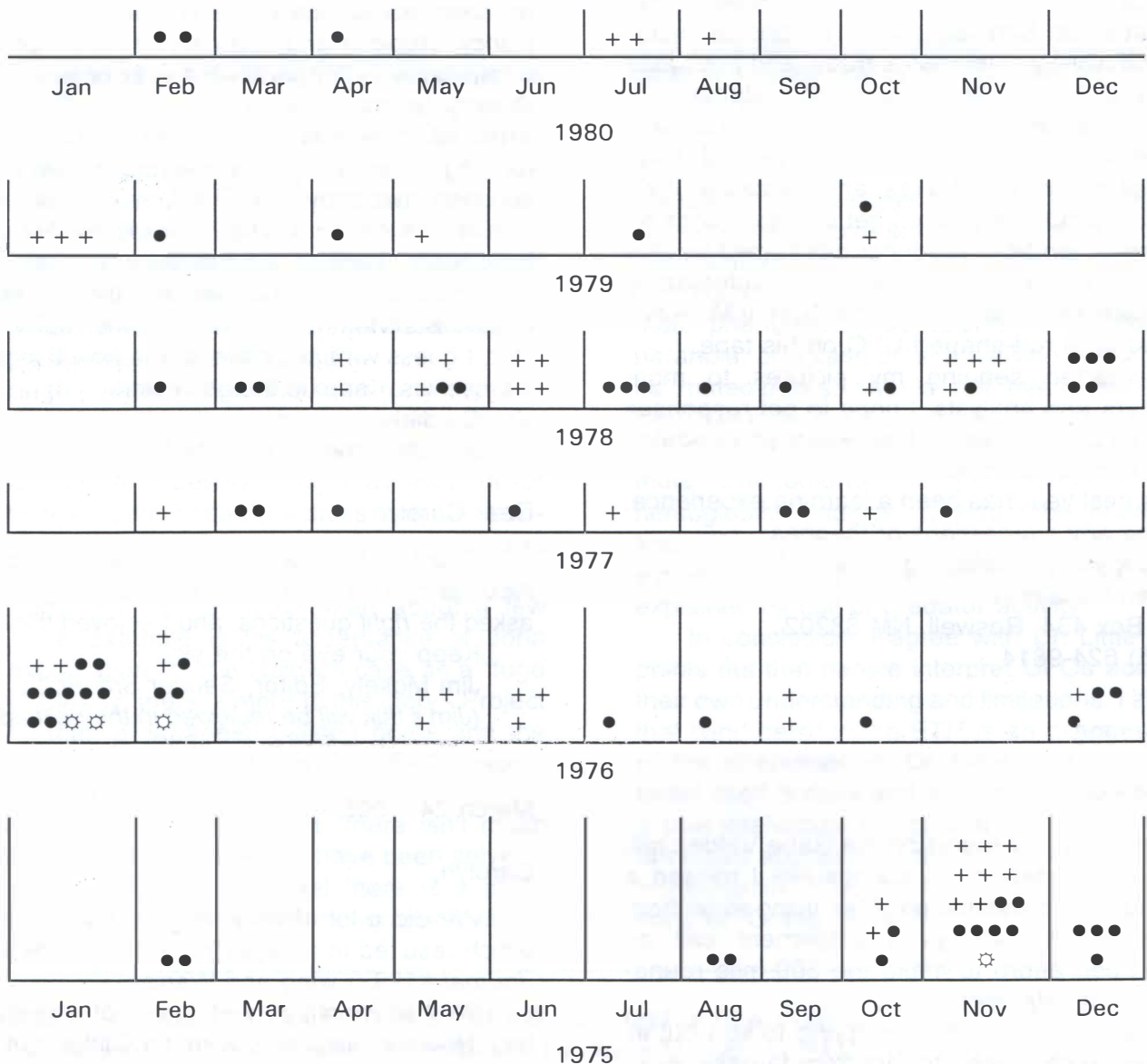
some might like to think, LANL [Los Alamos National Laboratories] does not handle cattle or space aliens.

--Ken Ewing, Los Alamos

Figure 1

Twenty years ago there was a UFO study group at Los Alamos. We subscribed to a state newspaper clipping service until the group fell apart. I am the last survivor. It is clear that UFO/cattle mutilations are probably part of the same phenomenon.

Legend: ☼ strange animals (Bigfoot, etc.) + cattle mutilations • UFO



The Mysterious Texas Highway

By Ivy Dunn

Some of us install a compass in our vehicles to tell us what general direction we are going. At night this can become very important when traveling in unfamiliar surroundings. It has happened to me often. As we make our turns and curves, our windshield-mounted indicator faithfully tells us, "You just went off in a new direction, I hope you are still on the road." However, suppose your course is straight down the highway and your compass needle begins to swing wildly and erratically from side to side for the next several miles. Then, as suddenly, the gyrations stop. What happened?

Our story begins 10 years ago when I was traveling on Highway 287 just north of Decatur, Texas, and had just driven onto a new stretch of concrete highway. Suddenly, the compass on my truck's windshield began to gyrate back and forth as much as 15 degrees, sometimes 20 degrees. A quick call on my CB radio to the 18-wheeler truckers in the area indicated that one trucker did have a compass and was getting the very same indications that I was. Another trucker was very clear in calling me a "ding-bat". There just "ain't" no diplomacy or scruples to some truck drivers anymore. For the next nine miles the phenomena continued until I got into the city limits of town and only then did my "ding-bat" compass return to a steady heading. Since that time I have often traveled over the same portion of Highway 287 and have always encountered a, well--you know, "ding-bat" compass. The years have not changed anything. The dancing needle continues.

In May of this year I made a specific 4 day trip to Texas simply to investigate this weirdness. This time I had a flux-gate compass in my car as well as a video camera to photograph deviations in compass readings for this highway. I made several passes on both sides of the wide four lanes and had my video camera recording it all. The north bound lane had much more radical swings than the south bound lane. That was interesting.

I visited the local Texas Highway Department and talked to Mr. Mark Schluter, the project engineer for the area. In his best professional manner he could offer no explanation for the dilemma. He seemed as surprised as I was that such a thing could exist. Mr. Schluter theorized that possibly the aggregate used in the concrete of the highway might be responsible and that it might contain magnetite. This is an ore that has high magnetic properties. The formulation for the concrete discounted this. A second speculation was

that the rebar iron material used in the laying of the road might have some magnetic properties. But, rebar alone could not have that strong magnetism as to affect my car's flux-gate compass to the extent that I was encountering. Earlier, I had talked to a Texas State Trooper, a very likable person, who said he had traveled these roads for years and had never heard of anything as what I described. He had a profound interest in the subject and wondered how to detect such things. I went into some detail with him regarding my flux-gate compass setup. Next, a visit to the local airport didn't reveal any surprises. Planes that land at the airport oftentimes come over and cross this seemingly magnetized highway. Mr. Wayne Watts, the airport manager, said none of the local pilots had ever mentioned erratic compass readings in the area. However, in my flying days, I remember that while landing, the compass of my plane was the last thing my eyes were upon. Airspeed and maneuvering toward that runway on the ground below meant my survival. There was a time that an older lady was my passenger and as we did a steep drop to a landing I saw her make a cross on her chest. She said nothing. I raised the nose of the plane and made a smooth landing. The woman again crossed her chest, thanked me, and hopped out when we had stopped. A compass nor direction mattered to this poor soul as long as she was back on Terra Firma again. Getting into the air was fun for her, her first flight, but this old bit of landing was just something else. Scary!

A local graphite company in Decatur had a physicist on their staff, a Dr. Larry Fiel, who was intrigued with my story. As we had lunch at the local Grandy's restaurant, he asked if I had a magnetometer to use in measuring these magnetic perturbations. That kind of instrument costs money. No, I only had 2 compasses with me, a hand-held standard magnetic needle compass and a flux-gate compass in my car. The latter is a magnetometer in its principle. I told Dr. Fiel that I'd stay in touch if any of my findings proved to show anything decisive. I visited the local newspaper and met a very nice young reporter, Mr. Ken Artz. He took my story and made notes regarding the mystery of this local highway. But, such a scientific endeavor to discover any explanation for this magnetic activity did not register with the reporter so much as did an attractive secretary passing by at that moment. Oh, I may have noticed her also. I guess the story is on hold.

Quite by accident, I found another new stretch of pavement that was very similar to the one near Decatur. This was directly east of the town of Bridgeport on Highway 380 and 10 miles west of Decatur. The new find was 1.1 miles long. I used

my video camera again to record the results and they were similar to previous ones. However, I did get out of the car and, using my hand-held compass, I measured compass variations up to 15 and 20 degrees within a few feet, even as little as 4 feet, along the edge of the road. Perplexing! Going off to the side and into the dirt revealed that these magnetic fields did not diminish until I was 20 to 25 feet from the road's edge. At that distance my compass would settle down to a steady heading as I walked parallel to the road. Some bridges will cause a momentary deflection in a compass as you pass over them and mountain ranges can often cause a variation in headings. But this thing in Texas was driving me batty! I wonder about the people who live there.

Obtaining some sense of results, and data, has consisted of viewing my video and audio tapes and giving values to the degree variations observed on the compasses. Computer graphing of some of the preliminary information indicates there may be a series of waves of these disturbances and maybe periodic, also. It will take many weeks to work on the data and filter out some elements of it.

I have traveled from Florida to Canada and have never encountered such a thing anywhere else. Even passing under 720KV power lines does not cause this effect. Hardly would 60 cycle AC power lines be installed in a road for 9-10 miles. It is surmised that since these magnetic fields have a constancy and a definite polarity to them that maybe a DC power source and inductances are a possibility, but unlikely. Even if rebar had a magnetism it would hardly be effective up to 20 feet off-road. UFO's are known to

produce extremely powerful electromagnetic fields that can disable cars and any other electrically dependent device. Stories abound of vehicles stopping and radios going dead when people have reported these incidents to authorities. It seems likely then that the presence of UFO's could be detected with magnetometer-type instrumentation.

So what is the source of the mysterious magnetic fields in these two highways in Texas? Right now I do not know. I do know that this phenomena exists only over the roadway proper and diminishes off the road. One might say, "It ain't hurtin anyone so what does it matter?" Is there something sinister in the nature of things going on here? Do we have a marker beacon beam built directly into this highway as some guidance method? If so, for whom or what? Time and additional investigation with more sophisticated instrumentation might determine from whence these fields originate. In the meantime, if the Texas Highway Department knows anything about this it is certain that they are not going to tell me.

I showed Mr. Anthony Lucero, a traffic engineer with the New Mexico State Highway Department, the set of plans that Mr. Schluter gave me. Supposedly, they were similar to the road as that of Highway 287 in Texas. Mr. Lucero had no answers either as we both poured over the plans. He was very patient. But, no clues were to be found. His last words suggested that this might be some kind of "Bermuda Triangle". I nodded, thanked him, and grinned as I was leaving. Well, -- WHO KNOWS!

Anyone caring to theorize on this phenomena, or to view a copy of my video tape, can call me here in Albuquerque, anytime after 6PM, 505-298-6278.

Albuquerque Journal

LOCAL UPDATE

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

MONDAY, JUNE 12, 1995

Engineer reproduces symbols from UFO crash

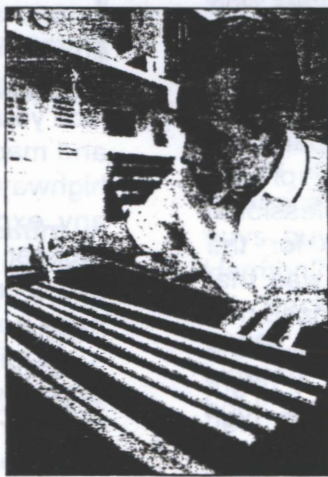
Hieroglyphics from outer space

UFO enthusiasts hope these plastic replicas of a 15-inch I-beam allegedly found in alien spacecraft debris in 1947 near Roswell will rekindle interest in the widely-publicized incident. The I-beam was lined with hieroglyphic-like symbols.



ROSE PALMISANO/JOURNAL

Miller Johnson applies a strip of symbols to one of his plastic reproductions of a small I-beam allegedly recovered from an alien spacecraft that reportedly crashed near Roswell in 1947.



ROSE PALMISANO/JOURNAL

A retired industrial designer in Albuquerque is working with a plastic fabrication plant to make reproductions of symbols supposedly found at a UFO crash site near Roswell.

The Roswell UFO crash, which allegedly occurred in July 1947, is one of the most widely publicized alien sightings. One of the first military officers at the site was the late Maj. Jesse Marcel, who showed some of the crash debris to his 11-year-old son, Jesse Jr.

That boy, now Dr. Jesse A. Marcel, remembers holding a slender, 15-inch I-beam covered with hieroglyphic-like symbols.

At first, U.S. military authorities announced that the incident had been the crash of an extra-terrestrial spacecraft. Later, there were reports that several bodies of aliens had been recovered. Subsequently, however, that account was denied, and the crash was identified as merely that of a weather balloon.

Miller Johnson, a retired Albuquerque industrial designer who

attended a ceremony at the Roswell UFO Museum last October, proposed creating a replica of the I-beam found by Marcel. Museum officials encouraged him.

Marcel provided Johnson with sketches of 10 symbols he remembers seeing on the supposed I-beam, and Johnson created others in the same vein, to fill out the I-beam's surface.

Johnson's reproduction found its way onto the Fox television program "Sightings" with Marcel a few weeks ago, and the demand for copies of the I-beam grew.

Johnson has decided to have a limited production of 1,000 plastic I-beams manufactured, each covered with a strip of the symbols.

A Fort Worth, Texas, firm, AndBarr Inc., is fabricating the plastic I-beam replicas, and an Albuquerque company, Jule-Art Inc., is supplying packaging and display stands.

The replicas sell for \$19.95. For more information, call Miller Johnson Design at 299-5283.

- Robin Frames