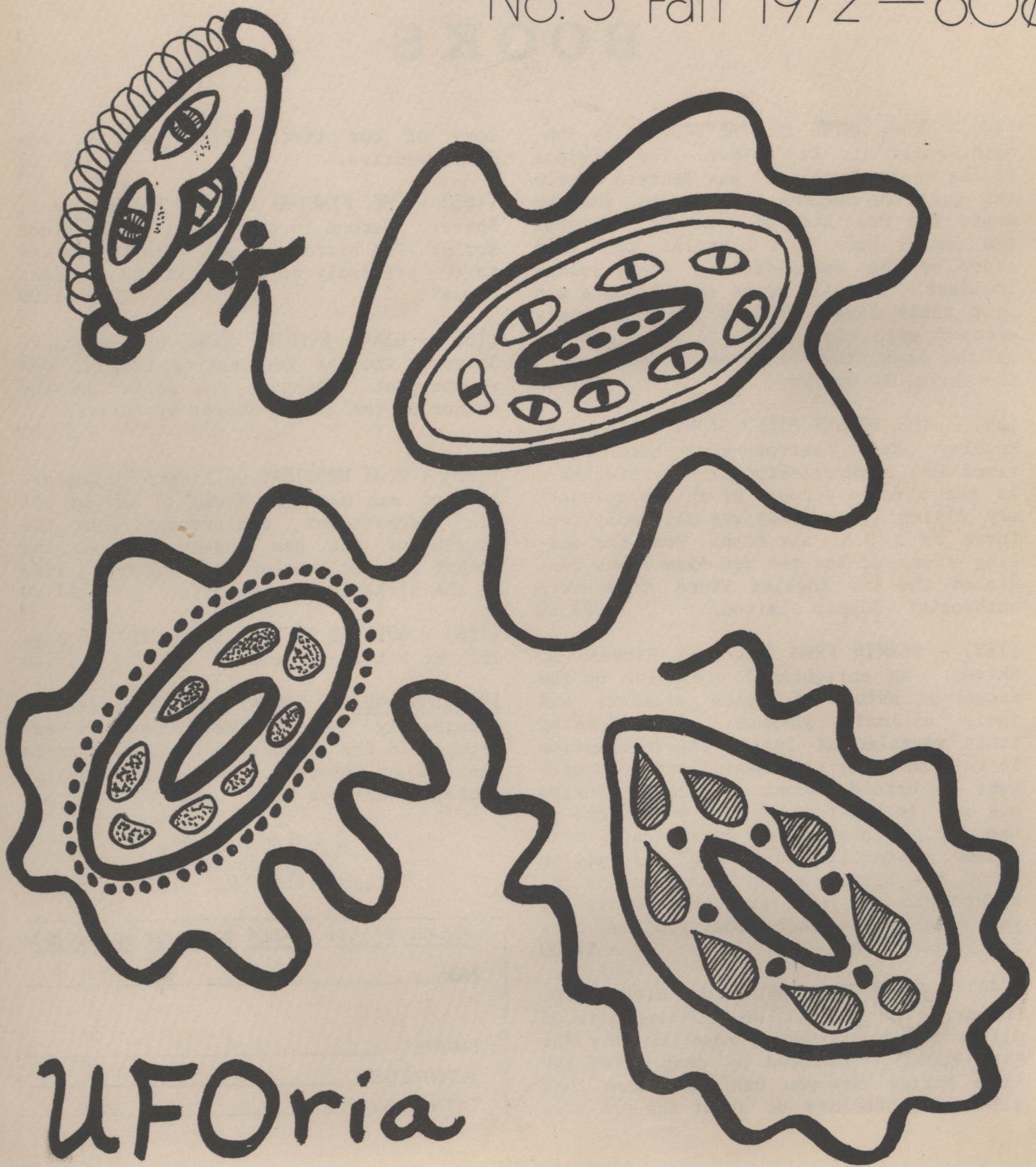
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EDITORIAL



By Eugene Steinberg

By this time, most of you have read about the *National Enquirer's* offer of $50,000 for UFO evidence. In case you haven't heard about it, the weekly paper has established a five-man panel of noted scientists, including former Air Force UFO consultant Dr. J. Allen Hynek. The panel has the job of sifting through the most valid claims, evaluating the evidence, and awarding the money if there is enough proof to influence a unanimous decision.

We'll assume the offer is genuine. The *National Enquirer* is the largest, oldest and most respected of the dozens of weekly papers you can buy on the newsstands. They have long ago lived down their image of sex and sadism of the early 1960's. Their reporters are, in fact, among the most highly paid and best qualified in the industry.

So, unless someone can demonstrate otherwise, we'll take it for granted that the reward has been made in good faith.

But we doubt very much if anyone will ever collect the money!

The Editors of the *Enquirer* have hedged their bets. The offer is very carefully and deliberately phrased to eliminate *most* of the unusual aspects of the UFO enigma.

In their May 28th issue, they write, "...If there is unanimous agreement on the panel that the UFO *is not a natural phenomenon and that it comes from outer space*, this newspaper will give a check for $50,000 to the person who supplied the evidence." (Italics ours.)

By far the majority of UFO buffs accept the theory that the discs are spaceships from another planet.

But the Editors of CAVEAT EMPTOR have insisted from the first that this theory is far from proven; that indeed the "answer" to the mystery may be far more involved than many people suspect.

The *National Enquirer* is paying only for evidence of spaceships. If flying saucers turn out to be from another dimension, a previously unknown *natural phenomenon*, ghosts, collective unconscious, spotted eyeballs, or a host of other equally fascinating things, they're not obligated to pay a dime to the worthy detective who provides a proveable solution!

We may be going out on the limb on this, but we'll venture to say that *nobody* is going to be able to supply the proof that paper is asking for!

We have 25 years of history to support that statement.

As I write this, we have honored the anniversary of Kenneth Arnold's sighting of nine ellipsoid-shaped objects back on June 24, 1947 - the beginning of the modern saucer era. Since then, there have been literally hundreds of organizations, groups, clubs, investigative societies, research projects and so forth. Not one of them has been able to come up with the kind of evidence that's necessary to collect that reward!

We freely admit that we don't have it! If we did, we'd jump at the opportunity to present it to a blue-ribbon scientific panel!

As we said in our first issue, "little that the so-called experts have done has contributed one iota to the solution to the UFO enigma. And as the mystery deepens, we find that some of them have abandoned UFO investigation, because of disillusionment and frustration. Many who embarked upon research in the early 1960's have given up; their early hopes for a

quick solution dashed by the increasing complexity of the problem they confronted."

This statement was amply demonstrated in that issue, where we had a eulogy for *Saucer News*, which had been published since 1954.

Now we have the sad task of writing a eulogy for a magazine published by another old friend of ours: Gene Duplantier's *Saucers, Space & Science*.

There were 64 issues of "Canada's best flying saucer magazine" between 1957 and 1972. Gene printed a wealth of solid saucer information, a valuable library for all serious investigators. A recent survey even showed *S, S & S* to be one of the most popular UFO magazines in the entire world!

Duplantier sums up his disillusionment and frustration this way: "...We never thought we would solve the UFO mystery... as others thought they would...and we haven't. It's been like a long walk down an endless tube...."

Exactly! And it may be that when you get to the end of it, you will find yourself at the entrance to the very same tube!

We seriously doubt whether the efforts of UFO investigators will bear fruit in the foreseeable future, as much as we'd like to see some good, solid progress.

Perhaps UFOs may eventually be relegated to the category of other "unproven" mysteries, such as spirits and assorted psychic phenomena. As Duplantier said, "people started to go into the realms of the occult and astrology to the detriment of Ufology."

It is becoming increasingly clear that saucers and other strange mysteries might even be related in some manner; perhaps generated by the same source, whatever that may be. Saucer fans may become interested in the occult as their consciousness or awareness of the reality behind such phenomena expands.

Despite the efforts of the so-called "scientific" researchers to divorce themselves from the psychic, it really hasn't worked out that way. Occult magazines have rarely had any qualms about publishing saucer information. They consider it a valid part of their study.

Yet the occult is *anathema* to many saucer investigators, although less and less so. We get letters from readers asking us not to publish endless reports about lights in the sky, but we have yet to hear from anyone who didn't like to read about Witchcraft, metaphysics and so on. (Although this Editorial may well spark such letters!)

We'd very much like to see saucers amenable to strict, scientific analysis, but there is a nagging subjective factor that cannot be ignored!

UFO phenomena is quite often interpreted by the witness *in accordance with his own preconditioning or beliefs*.

An example is the extraordinary Fatima episode early this century. Thousands of witnesses were present. Some saw the "Virgin Mary" manifest herself before the young children who first had the experience. Others described various types of eerie moving lights.

Human error? Perhaps. But there is a glaring difference between the "Virgin Mary" and a light in the sky! People don't make that kind of mistake very often!

There are photographs, physical effects and artifacts aplenty. But the eyewitness testimony pictures an endless procession of shapes, sizes and colors, with every manner of entity ever thought of by the most imaginative science-fiction writer.

In his excellent work, *Uninvited Visitors* (Cowles Education Corp., New York, 1967), Ivan T. Sanderson attributes much of this to the amazing variety of living creatures one can find even in our own world; that such a wide diversity is perfectly logical. This seems true as far as it goes - yet it never ceases to amaze us that, however reliable the witness, he quite often sees *the kind of phenomena he would expect to see!*

So, we wish the *National Enquirer* luck. If there is a successful claimant to that reward, we'll be the first to congratulate that person.

If not...well, we told you so!

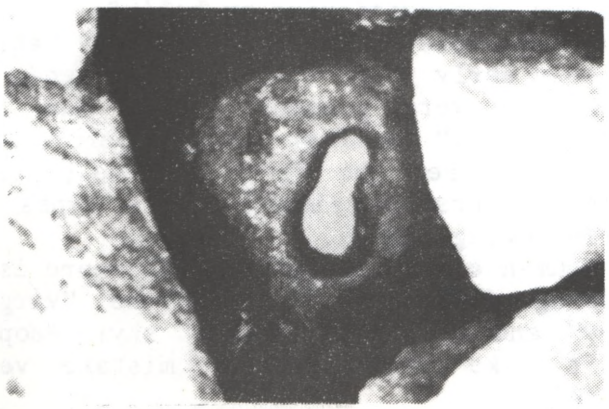
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We hope you like the format changes and the new type faces in this issue. Please write and give us *your* reaction.

The Ringing Rocks



By Curtis K. Sutherly



An interesting depression found in one of the Black Eddy rocks, probably water-worn but looking remarkably like a human footprint.

Along the banks of the Delaware River, situated approximately forty miles north of Trenton, New Jersey, lies the tiny burg of Upper Black Eddy. This Pennsylvania border town is in itself relatively insignificant, but what rests nearby has managed to acquire an importance of sorts.

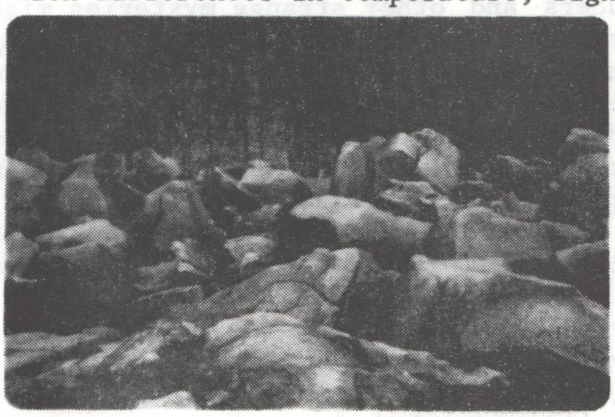
If a traveler were to leave the village and wander south along River Road for about half a mile, he would come upon a worn and battered sign long disregarded by local residents. This sign indicates a left turn up a steep incline and the wording...well, if studied carefully one can make out the almost illegible metaphor, "Ringing Rocks."

The scene at Upper Black Eddy is indeed bizarre. Covering several acres of land, a nearly lifeless field of pinkish rocks and boulders broods silently while the surrounding woodland speaks with the voice of life itself. Seldom does an animal trace a path across the barren rocks and even less likely is the possibility of sighting a bird winging its way overhead. Save for occasional patches of moss, ordinary plants seem to shun the rock field as much as the animals. But these oddities are only intensified when one considers the fact that many of these rocks actually reverberate with a musical chime.

A mistaken assumption held by many persons is that the rocks of Upper Black Eddy, and other known sites, ring continuously. Actually, these geological wonders must be tapped, either by another rock or by something solid or metallic, in order to produce the ringing quality that has given them their far-reaching fame.

One word of caution, if I may, lest some over-zealous reader winds up handing out money for a fine. It is illegal at many of the sites to remove the rocks or to attempt to fragment the larger ones. The Black Eddy site is now a local park, of sorts, and unless you are fortunate enough to acquire the consent of area authorities, we recommend careful consideration before attempting to take any.

The tone of the rocks varies apparently with differences in temperature, light-



The Pottstown site, taken with infrared film. (Photos by author.)

ing and, at least in some instances, variations in moisture content. I say this as a result of my own experience with the rocks before and during a heavy rainstorm. While scrambling about on the boulders of "Devil's Run" (a site near Pottstown, Pa.), I was unfortunate enough to be caught in a downpour. When the rocks were dry, they gave off an admirable ringing. But after a few minutes in the wet deluge, some of the same rocks previously struck failed to produce any sound louder than a dull thud. Of course stone, as anything in nature, has a certain porousness. It may be that the rocks absorbed a quantity of water, which deadened their harmonic qualities.

Members of the Society for the Investigation of the Unexplained (SITU),* have been conducting experiments into the nature of these rocks for some time and have as yet come to no real conclusion. To quote from the April, 1971 issue of *Pursuit*, SITU's official journal:

"We have had some of these rocks completely submersed in our ponds, lying about under trees, suspended on wires or set in concrete in a damp cellar, on the shelves in our laboratory, and even in our house which is exceptionally dry; and they all continue to ring. It's manifest that we have a very long way to go yet before we explain these singular phenomena."

I'm curious about the rocks submerged in the pond. If they really did continue to ring after removal from the water (and SITU's staff is a most competent one, thus it's not likely they'd be mistaken about this), then we seem to have an added twist to the mystery of the rocks; why they deadened in tone during the rain at Pottstown and not from the pond water!

Recently, another aspect of these rock sites has come to light. In the January, 1972 issue of *Pursuit*, society member #944 (one Morton Winner of New York) writes of a series of happenings that allegedly occurred on three separate trips to Upper Black Eddy. According to Winner, each time he left the area he underwent a period of "directional disorientation." In other words, he couldn't tell north from south! Relatives visiting the site with him on one such occasion stated that they felt something "wrong" with the place; that it was "full of the portent of something terrifying and possibly injurious."

Sounds like the setting for an H.P. Lovecraft story.

While reading of this directional disorientation, I let my mind slip back several months to a discussion I had with John A. Keel, noted writer/researcher of UFO lore. During that meeting, Keel mentioned one or two instances in which supposed UFO contactees had experienced similar loss of direction when trying to revisit the scene of a sighting.

As a result of all this, I decided to pay a visit to the Ringing Rocks.

Further information from SITU revealed that photographers entering the site at Black Eddy have had frequent troubles with the light meters on their cameras. The meters seem to have gone wild. Pictures, when processed, often appeared muddy or just plain *didn't* appear!

I talked with a close friend, one Steve Jaymes (who is something of a photographer as well as an apprentice electrician, fellow aircraft mechanic, and a few score other things) about the problems of taking pictures of the Ringing Rocks. He became greatly interested, even to the point where he agreed to accompany me on an overnight excursion.

A last minute letter dispatched to Jackson Underkoffler, of Lancaster, Pa. (a science instructor during the days of my callow youth) resulted in the suggestion that I try to use infrared film and see what results may be obtained. The day before my departure, I bought rolls of both infrared and daylight film along with R-2 medium red filters for use with the infrared.

On the eve of April 14, 1972, at about 7:00 p.m., I loaded Steve's brand-spanking new, sky-blue van with tons of camera equipment, luggage, electrical apparatus, and assorted other nonsense; then aimed the headlamps north, away from Washington, D.C. and into the direction of Upper Black Eddy.

Our departure was fanfared by a timely (or should we say untimely?) letter from, of all people, Morton Winner. He wrote, "I hope you enjoy your overnight stay at

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the Rocks. It takes a lot of guts to stay there from my point of view. If I were the one sleeping there, I'd have my carbine with me, at the very least."

You can judge for yourself what my reactions were to that bit of news. Nevertheless, being the unsung hero that I am..

We arrived at Black Eddy shortly before the rain. As it turned out, we were cursed with rainfall nearly the entire weekend. Under threatening skies, we photographed the site, kept watch for some sign of animal activity amidst the rocks, ringed and pinged various boulders, checked for possible electrical continuity within the rocks by means of a multimeter, and attempted to see if we received differing readings on two compasses carried onto the site.

A lone hawk made a graceful cut across a corner of the rock field, but other than that no animals ventured within the boundaries of the site itself.

The multimeter indicated total resistance (no electrical continuity) and the compasses both gave identical readings. No problems with the light meters of either of the cameras resulted (one a Pentax, the other a Yashica, both 35 mm.), and when the film was processed no deviations from normal were found. The entire trip at that point seemed to be extremely anticlimactic, but we'd been warned that the phenomenon doesn't always manifest itself. We'd about decided that our arrival had fallen on an "off-day" when the sky opened and doused our feelings of anticlimax with water aplenty.

Retreating to the van, Steve and I pondered our next move, not really anxious to remain the entire night in the sodden conditions we'd have had to endure. A trip into the village followed, where we telephoned SITU director Ivan T. Sanderson. Asking how the weather was at Black Eddy, he suggested we run north to Columbia, N.J. and spend the night at Society headquarters.

Some hours later, a big blue van rolled into the front yard of SITU.

Incidentally, we felt no disorientation upon leaving the site; only a mild headache which may or may not have been purely psychological.

During our stay, we had time to look through the three rather hefty volumes of information the Society had accumulated on the Ringing Rocks. Interestingly enough, these files indicate that the disorientation felt by some people is much more frequent than we at first believed. It seems that, until just recently, many of these reports have been passed over in favor of the more "normal" or "natural" aspects of the Ringing Rock phenomenon. We even noticed a clipping which stated that Black Eddy had once been the center of attention for a coven of witches...

Sunday the 16th found us rolling west toward Pottstown. The rain persisted in tagging along even at this stage and it defeated the greater part of our attempts to photograph Devil's Run (the site mentioned earlier). We did find that all the "symptoms" displayed at Upper Black Eddy were in effect at Pottstown. The same odd lack of plant life, animals, etc.

Something is afoot at Upper Black Eddy. Also at Devil's Run, Devil's Den at Gettysburg, Pa. and a host of other sites scattered around Pennsylvania and New Jersey. As many as fifteen of these locations are known with more certain to be discovered. The Indians have legends associated with these areas; legends that speak of spirit walking-grounds. Just the fact that the majority of these sites share a common title - Devil - is enough to make most anyone stop and wonder for a minute.

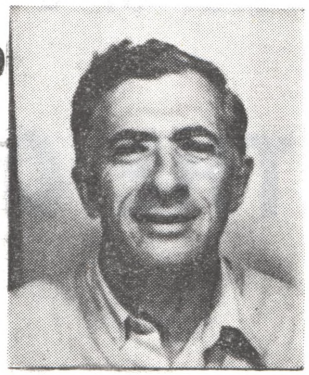
I am not a physicist, but I still wonder how the normal workings of man's built-in sense of direction could be thrown off track.

John Keel speaks of "window areas" in his already classic *UFOs: Operation Trojan Horse*. Ufologists have long written about magnetic fields that accompany UFOs and disrupt electrical equipment, sometimes even causing nausea and *directional disorientation* in observers. Abominable Snowmen and some of the so-called "mystery cats" that prowl our nation's hills and dales at times seem to radiate the capacity to induce such effects. If the reader sees any logic in this speculative chain of reasoning, he can praise himself. I'm not certain that I do! And yet, a tie-in involving all of the above curiosities may not be so far-out after all.

If one were to step into an overlap-

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Was Jesus Christ a Spaceman?



By Alex Saunders

A *popular* belief of most people is that space is an empty vacuum possessing endless solid bodies of stars, planets and satellites. Bryant and Helen Reeve believed otherwise.

The co-authors of the book *Flying Saucer Pilgrimage* urged all deep thinkers to seriously consider that the universe, far from being "empty," is just the opposite. That it literally teems with multi-kinds of physical life. That some inhabitants resemble us, while others differ radically in form and consciousness. But the all-important point to be repeatedly stressed is that *all is not physical!*

Many intelligent beings live in bands, or octaves, of vibratory frequencies that correspond to different planes of consciousness. They are forms of energy representing different types of matter that go to make up other phases of reality and existence.

Flying Saucer Pilgrimage tells of the many thoughtful UFO researchers who connect Jesus Christ with the mysterious aerial objects that have been visiting us for many centuries. He is regarded by them as an advanced spaceman - not divine at all, but a being who came to Earth from a higher frequency of life. His title could be that of "Planetary Guardian," and his reference to "many mansions" could be to the countless inhabited planets and to life in outer space.

Undoubtedly he was a master of energy, (referred to as matter, space and time), and controlled such forces to produce certain effects, or "miracles."

Water turned into wine due to his mastery over the universal energy out of which all things are made. He healed the sick by changing their discordant, or misdirected qualifications. His walk upon the water was accomplished by employing a form of levitation.

When Jesus created food for the hungry multitude (Matt. 14:15-21) did he employ the principle of precipitation? Perhaps he perceived something beyond man's ability, a range of commodities sustained in vibratory solution. Perhaps he applied the laws of what might be called "vibrational reversal."

To illustrate: A piece of burnt wood brings about the vanishment of heat, smoke and residue. If each portion of the consumed wood is entrapped and weighed, the total weight equals that of the original piece of wood. Nothing is lost. Only the major portion of the wood has receded byyond the limits of human eyesight.

Now, what if this process were reversed so that smoke, heat and ashes were caused to return? Return in the way a motion picture can be reeled backward to reunite each portion with the others? The result would be the restoration of the original piece of wood.

Jesus may have called invisible elements of food to reassemble into visible viands that brought bountiful food into instant existence, thereby creating another of his "miracles."

Occasionally, he employed the cosmic principle of teleportation, or instantaneous travel. He passed through closed doors simply by "transcending" temporarily and then "emerging." Or, to put it in different words, he materialized and dematerialized. This is the same cosmic principle used by space ships.

How was his ascension achieved? Merely by raising the vibratory frequency of

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THE COSMIC MIND

By Dennis Stamey

It is likely that life on Earth originated from electrical energy fields.

In 1953, at the University of Chicago, Dr. Harold C. Urey and Dr. Stanley L. Miller placed in a jar what was considered to be a duplication of primordial Earth's atmosphere (comprising the four elements of life - carbon, oxygen, hydrogen and nitrogen). These substances were penetrated repeatedly by electrical charges (simulating lightning) and from this were formed amino acids (the basis of all organic life on Earth). Thus inorganic elements became organic matter - the first probable step of life. It is also known that in amino acid molecules these four elements are so well-matched in their electrical charges that they are most stable and could have definitely survived chaotic elemental times.

Electricity runs through the inorganic world as well as the organic and has been described as electromagnetic or electrodynamic force fields. Electrical properties in organic matter led Harold S. Burr (E.K. Hunt Professor of Anatomy, Yale University) and Dr. F.S.C. Northrop (Sterling Professor of Philosophy and Law, Yale) to evolve the "electrodynamic theory of life." Further research showed that force fields in organisms change in strength and polarity in response to internal (biologic) and external (cosmologic) events.

Separate investigations by Dr. Leonard J. Ravitz at Yale and Dr. Frank A. Brown, Jr., of Northwestern University proved that organisms (plant and animal) are indeed affected by lunar phases. In fact Yale charts revealed that the voltage changes in trees parallel those of human subjects, sometimes so matched as to be mirror images. Ravitz also found, by augmented voltmeter readings, that psychiatric patients are more disturbed during the full moon phase (strong emotions also cause increased voltmeter readings). Periods of high voltage are related to a higher emotional state than of low, and therefore emotional and behavior cycles seem to be connected with their force field cycles. Forecasting of emotional cycles can be made from this, especially in psychotics who have higher readings and are much more emotional.

In 1958, at the first annual meeting of the American Society of Clinical Hypnosis, Dr. Ravitz said that hypnosis involves electrical alterations in the old centers of the brain which "go to sleep." In natural sleep, both the old and new centers are at rest.[1]

Vincent H. Gaddis, author of *Mysterious Fires and Lights*,[2] said that the "electrodynamic theory of life" suggests a "universal electric field" which affects all living matter. "Each individual" is related to all life, the Earth's magnetic field, and through it to the changes in the electrical fields of the Moon and Sun. We are part of the "universal whole."

This theory of life could account for various phenomena in both homo sapiens and lower species - that is, luminousity in various plant and animal life; the controversial auras and strange micro-emanations from organisms reported photographed by Russian scientists;[3] phosphorescence in humans; the phenomena of the Roman Catholic Saints[4] who were said to exhibit luminous characteristics and often radiate heat; the Tibetan lamas said to produce sufficient heat to melt the snow around them; accounts of yogis or lamas superphysically producing fire; human magnets and

fire breathers; spontaneous combustion in living humans; human lightning rods, etc.

In *Fate*, July 1959, Dr. Mayne R. Coe, Jr., told of how he became interested in "kundalini," the occult energy of the yogis, which he thought to be bioelectricity. When this force was aroused the yogis could perform feats of psychokinesis (PK) in which an object was moved through mental concentration. Coe studied the method of building up this energy and within time could feel a powerful current running through his body. He wrote: "It was unmistakably an electric current, bioelectricity generated in my muscles."

Through exhausting efforts he was able to move a relatively heavy box by concentrating (which he thought was an "externalization" of this energy).

The *Electrical Experimenter*, June 1920, reported that when 34 convicts were stricken by botulinus poisoning many of the victims showed signs of electromagnetic phenomena, such as that affecting a compass needle. Coe believed that the poison affected the muscle cells and caused a flow of 500,000 volts of very low amperage. Here we must note that adenosine triphosphate (ATP), the key source of energy in biological systems, converts chemical energy into mechanical energy (responsible for muscular contractions) and in cases of luminousity converts chemical energy into light.

Dr. Nandor Fodor in the *Psychiatric Quarterly*, April 1948, told of chorea victims producing rapping noises. Strange knockings were heard in a room where two soldiers were suffering from the disease in the Station Hospital, Guernsey. One of the soldiers had "muscular rheumatism" when the sounds were first heard.

In poltergeist disturbances household objects are moved around, mysterious knockings are heard and unexplained fires set. Added to this, electrical appliances will often be affected.[5] Parapsychologists believed that in many cases the activity will be an outward projection of the tormented subconscious mind, a split which is common in schizophrenia. Many of these "agents" will be girls of puberty age, and from here we could indulge in a discussion of sex and its odd relationship to the supernatural.

In the Winter of 1904-05, Great Britain became plagued by reports of ghosts, poltergeists and weird fires. Religious fanaticism swept across Wales where singing, shouting crowds would assemble with luminous lights suddenly appearing overhead. One such light even chased the carriage of a prominent religious leader just after a meeting had broken up.

"Wales in the grip of supernatural forces," headlined the *Liverpool Echo*, January 18, 1905. The mania soon rolled into Scotland and England where bands roamed the streets trying to break into police stations and convert officers. "Holy dancers" appeared in London and riots broke out in Liverpool against revivalists and Catholics. But amid all this came reports of spontaneous human combustion.[6]

Of religious fervor we must take note of the phenomenon called EMP (electromagnetic pulse) that accompanies nuclear bomb explosions. It can cause blackouts in a vast area, while in humans it results in a hypnotic state, a deep depression and religious fanaticism. And, too, what of the Roman Catholic saints? Gordon W. Allport in his *The Individual and His Religion* said that schizophrenic and depressed patients will become deeply religious. Certain religious reformers and mystics suffered marked instability; St. Ignatius, Luther, St. Theresea, Fox, Wesley, etc.

Ufological phenomena now become of interest to us. Poltergeist activity will occur near landing sites or areas of concentrated sightings; ghost-like occupants have glided from their craft; angelic, radiant beings have emerged from luminous saucers (reminding us of the light associated with spirit and worship); instances of hypnosis, telepathic conversations and ESP messages have been reported; witnesses will experience increased I.Q., expanded powers of ESP and insanity in the aftermath; and UFOs have displayed almost every conceivable form of E-M activity.

Science-writer and UFO skeptic Lloyd Mallan in *Science and Mechanics*, July 1968, reported his interview with a housewife from Ithaca, New York. She told of being forced off the road one night by a glowing object. A multitude of voices like a choir rang out, saying that an acquaintance would be killed accidentally at a prophesied time and place. Her five-

year-old son, in the back seat, had been put into a trance throughout the encounter. The prediction was accurately fulfilled.

Dr. D.J. Lewis of the Allen Memorial Institute in Montreal, Canada, has reported that many psychiatric patients have seen figures of "little men." In one particular case, it seems as if an actual contact case has emerged.

Encompassing Forteana and psychicism there is "ball lightning," the "spook lights," electrical phenomena reported at seances,[7] curious lightning strikes and appearances of such things as ghosts or sea-monsters during electrical storms.[8]

The late J.W. Dunne, a scientist who designed the first British military airplane, evolved a theory that there are different levels of awareness at which events appear with greater or less dependence on the ordinary time sequence.[9] Our "observer 1," the everyday waking consciousness, perceives only a chronological flow in which memories are in the past and the future is blocked from view. But "observer 2," who is able to function in dreams when the more limited consciousness is asleep, commands a view of a wider "field of representation," a four-dimensional one in which future as well as past events can be perceived. Theoretically an "observer 3" would see a still wider field, and so on in a series ad infinitum, until final reality is known.

Dunne would base his theories on moments of illumination or clairovoyance and by experiments in which he and others recorded their dreams and watched for elements within to "happen" afterwards.

Final reality to Dunne would be absolute consciousness. Of his theory he wrote: "It discloses the existence of a superlative general observer, the fount of all that self-consciousness, intention, intervention which underlies mere mechanical thinking."

And there is William James' "universal mind." James (1842-1910), a noted American psychologist (the brother of novelist Henry James) and a leader in studies of the human mind, invoked the hypothesis of a subliminal connection between the individual's mind and a universal mind (from which we derive the entire composition of our thoughts). The theory that the individual mind is merely a fragment of a universal mind is common in such diverse religions as Hinduism and Christian Science, though to some extent it is present in nearly every form of worship.

In his classic work *Varieties of Religious Experiences,* James mentioned Canadian psychiatrist Dr. R.M. Bucke, who also theorized a "cosmic" or mystical consciousness that presides over the life and order of the universe. Bucke notes "intellectual enlightenment" which places an individual on a new plane of existence - a state of elevation, elation and joyousness. In the book, *Cosmic Consciousness: A Study in the Evolution of the Human Mind* (1902, page 2), Bucke describes his own illumination of "immense joyousness" followed by "intellectual illumination" after spending an evening with friends discussing poetry and philosophy.

Such moments, known as the "mystic experience," have long been known to Hindus, Buddhists, Mohammedans and Christians. Yoga (which means experimental union of the individual with the divine) achieves a higher state (or "samadhi") through diet, posture, breathing, intellectual concentration and moral discipline. The Vedantists believe that one may stumble into the "superconscious" state without previous discipline and from it cam become "enlightened, a sage, a prophet, a saint, his whole character changed, his life changed, illumined."

Buddhists have their "dhyana" which comes through concentration of the mind upon one point (which involves four stages). Beyond "dhyana" is the blissful nonexistence of "nirvana."

The Mohammedans have their Sufi sect, the end result of Sufism being a total absorption in God (which may have been inoculated into Islam by Hindu influence).

In Christian mysticism there is "orison," or meditation, the methodological elevation of the soul towards God. During this process sensorial images or hallucinations are seen which in time may fade away with the advent of a conscious state beyond verbal description.

The *Upanishads,* metaphysical dialogues of the Hindus, speaks (in a summarization of its main tenets) of a "Brahman," the immaterial, impersonal force permeating the universe, and "Atman," the Universal

Soul to which all individual souls belong. We as individual souls are therefore one with "Brahman" (or to use another term, with God) and the unity of life is the only reality.

As individual souls living in a world of the senses, we think that we exist apart from the one Soul, but this is "maya" or an illusion of separateness that must be abandoned before we can perceive the truth. This awareness can be learned only through long experience in the world of the senses, requiring the incarnation of the soul into many physical bodies (reincarnation). Actions of all aspects of life are governed by an immutable, eternal moral law called "karma" that determines the environment into which a person is born and the circumstances with which he must contend during his life. The purpose of human existence is spiritual and life operates according to law and never by chance.

In time Hinduism acquired a trinity consisting of "Brahma" the creator (or Absolute Reality), "Vishnu" the preserver, and "Shiva" the destroyer (or Life Force).

Taoism, a philosophical system of China, has much in common with Indian philosophy in the idea that the secrets of the universe are to be gained by intuitive contemplation of the silent, ceaseless flow of nature in all life. It also emphasized the unity of all things and taught the return of the Absolute as the supreme goal. The Taoist books often speak of the fact that the highest skill operates on an almost unconscious level, a natural spontaneous relationship with the inner self. They also expounded freedom from order, restraint, doctrine, dogma, education or any form of institutionalizing.

The Pawnee, once among the strongest tribes of the Plains Indians, had their "Tirawa" or the Power which showed itself in everything.

A feeling of "oneness" has been reported by users of LSD.

Aldous Huxley (1894-1963), noted author of *Brave New World,* who later became a mystic philosopher, experimented with psychedelics. He elaborates upon their mind-expanding powers in "A Philosopher's Visionary Prediction," printed in *Playboy* in 1963. Huxley said that man passes his life in a world of name and form (or what Indian philosophy calls "nama-rupa") and that language is a device for taking the mystery out of Reality and making it amenable to human comprehension and manipulation. Man breaks up Reality and attaches labels to a few of the fragments and projects the labels into the outside world to create an all-too-human universe of separate objects. The barrier of waking consciousness must be broken in order to perceive the true unity of everything. When this is done one can have a new insight into meaning and can perceive a meaning in everything.

Huxley stimulated the interests of other researchers, notably Timothy Leary, who brought the usage of LSD into the open and gave roots to the "hippie" movement, beginning in 1965.

Recent laboratory research has shown that the chemical disorders in the brain leading to insanity compare with components of many hallucinogenic drugs.[10] The symptoms of the disease are rather interesting. The "simple" schizophrenic is withdrawn, anti-social, and may present an offbeat appearance (particularly in mode of dress) - an individual feeling little social pressure to conform or gain acceptance.

The "hebephrenic" schizophrenic will hear voices, see hallucinations and will be disoriented in time and space. Distortions in time can be induced by both LSD and marijuana.

The "paranoid" schizophrenic will interpret even the most trivial occurrence as having prophetic meaning and will also suffer from hallucinatory experiences.

The expression "we are one" has been used by occultists, hippies and UFO occupants. And the "space people" often hint that they have no individual identity but are part of a greater whole.

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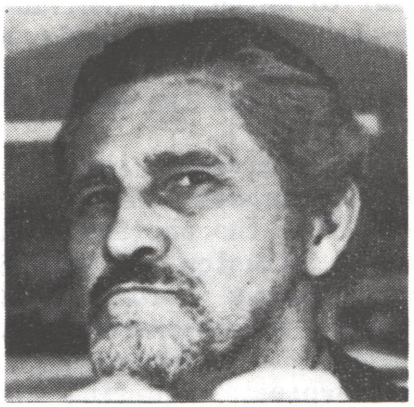
FOOTNOTES:

1) A more detailed account of this lecture can be found in the American Medical Association's Archives of Neurology and Psychiatry, *Vol. 65, April 1951.*

2) David MacKay Company, Inc., 1967.

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Wet Radio



By Richard S. Shaver

(Editor's Note: *In his writings through the years, Shaver has described the marvelous machines created by the ancients. The one most often mentioned is the telaug. In this article, you'll get a better picture of what this device is all about - and perhaps some of the electronic buffs in our audience might do a little experimentation based on his ideas, just to see what develops.*)

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Wet Radio is actually a technical term of vast significance, once you know the details. Anyone who ever got a shock on a wet floor knows that water is a conductor.

The telaug waves propagate through the moist earth and travel in a way that is different from our TV and radio waves of longer length. So, it is called *Wet Radio* by those who know it was originally developed by water-dwelling Mermen in the early stages of life on Earth.

If you want to build a working telaug you have to depend on this wet condition to contact weak telaug currents in the mind. To augment and hear the contents of a mind, you have to use the wet condition in which the mind's tiny radios operate for the brain itself, in its moist interior flesh.

It is quite possible to make tiny telaugs to wear while swimming, perhaps to commune with your loved one in the water. Any good radio engineer could build and market such a set just by thinking about it a little.

The telaug is not so different from radio basically. It takes a wave from the mind and "valves" it louder just as the radio does.

The only reason telaugs aren't on the market for lovers - or anyone else - is that the underworld saboteurs of all our life short them out when the engineers do build one, and they can't figure out why it doesn't work.

It *does* work, but they don't *know* they are sabotaged.

If you ever watched a technician make an encephalogram, you will note that the device has to be attached to the head with the wire ends in direct skin contact. *Wet Radio* needs water contact, or direct skin contact through the wet medium.

Any radio engineer can take the encephalograph wave lengths and build radio-type devices to augment them. The results will be good if the devices aren't shorted out by the saboteurs who watch every move we make to cut us down.

How do you get around such sabotage? Keep trying. Remember how many light bulbs Edison put together before he found the right filament in a carbonized bamboo sliver.

If it doesn't work the first time, meter it for shorting, and you will see what I mean by sabotage affecting your device.

The telaugmentive network that overlays the entire Earth is often called the *Wet Radio*. With it, once upon a time, a man could use the entire added mental abilities of the whole planet, in the same way we use computers today. You just ask, and the computer comes up with the answers.

One of the vile things done to mankind by the interlopers in our ancient underworld halls was to cut him off from his own system of communications - *Wet Radio*.

Wet Radio is also lately used as a

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CONVENTION ROUNDUP

THE MIDWEST UFO CONFERENCE

The third annual Midwest UFO Conference was held in Quincy, Illinois on Saturday, June 17, 1972

Featured speakers included Dr. David Saunders, author of *UFOs: Yes*, who was formerly connected with the Condon committee; Ted Phillips, an expert on UFO "ground effects"; famed UFO and occult writer Brad Steiger, and other notables.

The Conference was quite well-attended and estimates ran in excess of 200 people. A proceedings of the Conference was on sale and may be obtained at modest cost from: Midwest UFO Network, Inc., 40 Christopher Court, Quincy, Illinois 62301. The publication also includes papers from Ufologists George Fawcett and Rev. Barry Downing.

Dr. Saunders lecture was enormously impressive. It dealt in an authoritative way with the statistical aspects of the UFO problem. The implications of this talk portend great things for Ufology.

While the orientation of the Conference may have been somewhat "drier" than desirable for a publicly-oriented program, when considered as a meeting of serious students of the UFO phenomena, it should be termed successful. In my estimation, thought-provoking, meaningful data was presented.

I would say both from the success of the Conference and from talks with participant John Schuessler, that there are positive indications of strong UFO interest still existing in the Midwest. How this relates to the rest of the country I cannot say. However, personal comments by nuclear physicist and UFO lecturer Stanton Friedman and the continuing UFO coverage in the popular nationwide newspaper the *National Enquirer* serve as good signs showing that public interest in Ufology still remains.

- Allen H. Greenfield

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CONGRESS OF SCIENTIFIC UFOLOGISTS

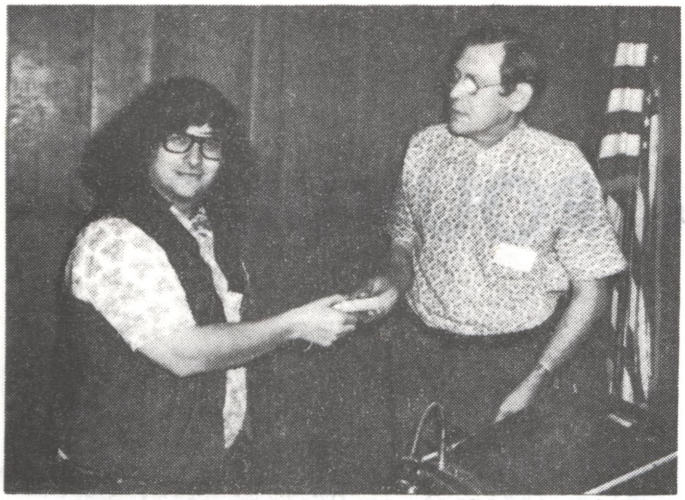


Congress delegates promote the open session on WISH-TV, Indianapolis. Pictured (from left to right), program co-hosts Mr. & Mrs. Wally Bruner, convention sponsor Gary Elvers, Co-Editors Gene & Geneva Steinberg and Air Force Sgt. Curtis Sutherly.

What has long been expected by many researchers has finally come to pass: The Congress of Scientific Ufologists is no more. At least in a certain sense...

The title, established for nine years, has ceased to be. From here on, the annual event will be known as the National UFO Conference.

So voted the nearly 20 delegates who attended the closed sessions held on June



Allen Greenfield (pictured at left) looks somewhat surprised as he accepts the Captain Robert Loftin award from Gray Barker.

23rd and 24th at the Captain Logan Hotel in Logansport, Indiana.

This year's surprise recipient of the annual Captain Robert Loftin award for excellence in UFO research was Allen Greenfield, co-founder of the Congress.

One of the key moves made during the convention was establishing an investigative network. Newly-elected chairman James W. Moseley, long-time researcher, instigated the steps toward such a network during the first official closed session. Moseley said he felt the organization could do little to further UFO research except by gathering information on important UFO cases and turning it over to qualified scientists. Among the scientists mentioned: Dr. David Saunders, former Air Force saucer consultant Dr. J. Allen Hynek and Stanton Friedman.

Nine of the delegates agreed to act as network investigators: Gray Barker of Clarksburg, West Virginia; Allen and Barbara Greenfield of Atlanta, Georgia; Barbara Hudson of New York City; Rick C. Marter of Logansport, Indiana; James W. Moseley of Fort Lee, New Jersey; Gene and Geneva Steinberg of Coatesville, Pennsylvania, and Curtis Sutherly of Fredericksburg, Pennsylvania.

During the last closed session on Saturday, June 24th (the 25th anniversary of Kenneth Arnold's UFO sighting), a representative of the Midwest UFO Conference attended, in the person of Paul Doss, of Covington, Indiana.

Doss arrived with a bulky folder that carried a number of UFO photographs and some official-looking documents. The pictures depicted an alleged UFO taken with a Polaroid "Swinger." The documents were copies of letters on the incident sent to Air Force representatives, along with their response and comments from a customer representative at the Polaroid Company.

Doss said the sighting occurred near the Union Vermillion Observatory in Illinois just before Thanksgiving in 1971. He claimed that he'd been followed by mysterious lights ever since, while engaging in his work as a truck driver.

Although the Air Force insists publicly that it's no longer involved in UFO investigation, they accepted Doss' pictures for just that purpose. Doss remarked he hadn't heard from them since submitting the evidence some months ago, and that he intended to call in the Congressman in his district if he didn't get an answer soon.

A number of reporters from television and the newspapers were on hand to interview the delegates. When the press people sat in on the closed sessions, one or two of the newer conference members complained that reporters shouldn't be there. This talk was quickly countered by chairman Moseley, who pointed out that it's been organization policy to admit all fourth estate members to such gatherings. The newcomers were silenced, to the obvious relief of the press officials.

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Barbara Hudson is caught up by the light-hearted and friendly atmosphere of the convention.

satire

Part I



Naked came the Fortean

By Richard E. Wiplash

A SLIGHT DISSERTATION CONCERNING THE SINGULAR EVENTS CULMINATING IN THE PROCUREMENT OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MANUSCRIPT PRESENTED HERE FOR YOUR PERUSAL.

It was in the year 196- that Mr. G--- S-------- was found dead under suspicious circumstances in the locked hallway closet of his stately mansion at 2-- E--- 9- Street in the city of N-- Y--- in the state of N-- Y---. Mr. S--------, at the age of ninety-seven, was the last member of an ancient and distinguished family of Jehovah's Witnesses which had dominated the social and economic circles of their city of residence since Mr. S--------'s ancestors had migrated to America two hundred years before from the city of R-- d-J------- in the country of B-----.

Mr. S--------, never having taken the holy vows of wedlock, had spent his declining years as a hermit, being widely regarded by the local populace as a charming eccentric, a harmless recluse, a relic from the "golden days" of glittering society, and a nutty old man.

Upon investigation, it was discovered that Mr. S-------- had not been seen by any observers in the neighborhood for one year or so prior to the gruesome discovery which was made by a group of neighborhood children who had entered the mansion through a broken window with the self-avowed intention that "we was just gonna have a little fun wit de old guy."

Before the building's condemnation and demolition three days after discovery of the body, the mansion occupied a central place in what was formerly the city's "society hill" district. However, with the arrival of the once wealthy S-------- family, and the concurrent discovery of Southampton by Vasco de Vanderbilt in 1794, the aristocracy began their great migration to the Eastern part of the state and during the last thirty-some years, the mouldering S-------- mansion overlooked a maze of parking lots, tenements, grocery stores and a YMCA.

Mr. S--------, however, staunchly refused to vacate the abode that housed the ghostly memories of his family's sparkling past, and had spent the last decade of his life tending to his fading garden, changing the locks on his gates and standing on his roof looking through a pair of binoculars. None of his neighbors were able to give any satisfactory accounts as to how he occupied his time while inside the mansion, but there were rumours.

I was one of a select group of city employees entrusted with the responsibility of purgitating the mansion's interior of all completely worthless items and transferring these items in our vehicle down to a surburban disposal area.

During the course of my duties, I found myself in the mansion's library that hot summer's day in July of 196-. While perusing a number of well-worn periodicals displaying many photographs of bound and tied members of both genders, I happened to unearth, quite by chance, a thick, rolled-up manuscript which had been secreted under a high pile of old newspapers. The manuscript, containing a great number of dusty, yellowing 8 x 12 1/2 legal note pad pages, was neatly rolled up into a thick ball and tied with pink ribbon. Thinking it might have been of important content, being perhaps a will, or deed, or more pictures, I untied the manuscript and laid before my incredulous eyes the dusty,

mouldering pages.

While my companions busily went about their assigned tasks of removing empty crates, old newspapers, and a five-foot-high ball of string, I studied the manuscript intently and my eyes widened in ever-increasing circles of disbelief. It appeared to have been printed in Wisconsin in 1969 and the startling events it records have since been definitely pinpointed by historians as having occurred some time between 817 A.D. and 1972.

I later discussed the matter with my compatriots who, it must be admitted, evidenced more profound interest in some of the other printed material which I have described earlier. I vetoed the suggestion, made by my peers, that I should consign my remarkable find to the large plot of land near my place of employment which is reserved for the random distribution of such "useless" items.

I hastened to consult a number of notable scholastic authorities in an attempt to discover more pertinent information concerning the events described in the strange narrative. Although those I approached on the matter could be of little help to me, they were quite pleasant and, as they ushered me out of their offices, wished me "all the luck in the world" in my investigations.

I here present the manuscript in its complete form. I have not been able to elicit any information of a concrete nature as to its origin, date or authenticity, and so I cannot, in good faith, vouch for any of these, especially the last mentioned. I hope, however, that there will be one among my readers who will recognize and understand the great truths that I believe to be hidden in the words of this most remarkable and astounding narrative.

Ed Burroughs
Dept. of Sanitation
New York, N.Y.

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PALMEDOFF PRESS PRESENTS:
NAKED CAME THE FORTEAN!!!!!!!
Or The Strange Disappearance of Oswald Lurch

AN INTRODUCTORY NOTE FROM YOUR EDITOR:

The mysterious circumstances surrounding the disappearance of noted UFO researcher Oswald Lurch have never been satisfactorily explained, and Lurch's absence has left a gap in the field of Ufology bigger than the one in my education. It has also given we third-rate writers something to write wide-eyed articles about for the next ten years.

In an effort to contribute a lasting memorial to this beloved investigator (and also to make a little bread since the chili sauce ain't moving too well these days) I have decided to put together a "Memorial Book" which will relate the known facts and attempt to get at the truth concerning his strange Fate.

The mystery can be answered, But I won't be the one to do it. I don't want to die. You don't want me to die either, do ya, huh?

I say this because I "know," but I can't tell. I "know" because I have been close to the UFO mystery for 229 years. And if I were to say that Mr. Lurch was running around underneath the North Pole wearing a hooded cloak and freezing his ass off, everyone would "know" that it couldn't *possibly* be true!

Even though years ago I "knew" how dangerous it was to probe too deeply into the International Atheist Conspiracy; I "knew" from a series of obvious attempts upon my life that resulted in a scraped bumper on my '56 Chevy; but, then, who would believe a "dreamer" from Knockwurst, Wisconsin who "knew"?

Would you? I "know" I wouldn't.

So, I have asked a number of prominent Ufologists who "knew" Oswald best to write a little something about him to lead off this book. Read the book, and then try to find the answer yourself, but be careful!! I can't tell any more than I have. When the full facts bec-

I-I can't write any more.

I think my typewriter is trying to kill me.

Raymond Palmedoff
Knockwurst Press
Knockwurst, Wisc.

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THE SLAVEMASTER'S IDENTITY CARD



By Allen H. Greenfield

In the Summer, 1972 issue of CAVEAT EMPTOR, Co-Editor Geneva Steinberg (a personal acquaintance of mine for some years) sets forth an argument in favor of "Women's Liberation." The article seems to have been to some extent the outgrowth of a discussion between Mrs. Steinberg and myself which took place New Year's Eve, 1971-72.

I will not argue here that women should - or do - play a subordinate role to men in Western Society, but I will assert that (A) the role of women *is and should be* considerably different from that of men, and (B) that this alternative role could be *considered inferior*, but only under a false set of assumptions; assumptions about the nature of humanity and the nature of the human state.

That human beings *are* animals appears to be, even all of these long years since Darwin, an emotionally rending, traumatic concept for romantics. By exposing man's animal nature, one opens a veritable Pandora's Box of (by certain criteria) unpleasant but scientifically based truths. One raises questions about humanity's spirituality, about his ability to triumph over adversity, about his very purpose in existing. One also exposes any concepts of human equality to careful and skeptical scrutiny.

Now the term "equality" is tricky. It can mean "sameness." It can mean "giving an even break." It can also have less formally egaliterian definitions, such as "holding all humans in high regard as sentient, living beings."

I do not consider myself to be "equalitarian," but rather a militant foe of such philosophies. This concept seems to me to be contraindividuality, and I am an advocate of individual identity.

The second definition is more difficult to deal with. "Giving an even break" can itself mean more than one thing. It can mean opposing the use of force - state or private - limiting the opportunity of the individual. An advocate of individual liberty cannot but wholeheartedly support this concept.

But this concept can also be thought of as dealing with people on an entirely impersonal basis; characteristics and facts about the individual are irrelevant. One "must" give "A" the same opportunity as person "B," regardless of their differing characteristics. This, it seems to me, is not only nonsense, but is inherently unfair to the individual with characteristics better suited to the given opportunity. It can even be argued that it is unfair to the less qualified individual.

We are speaking of individuals, but also groups, sexual and otherwise. We will consider the application of this principle to groups later in this article.

A third definition seems perfectly laudible and defensible on rational grounds. A respect for, even a reverence for life and for mind seems to be an essential part of humankind's role in history, which can be ascertained from a realization of the thrust of biological evolution itself.

Animals must be adapted to their environment. If they are not, they must either evolve or become extinct. Man and his biological ancestors adapted in their own way to their environment. It would seem that the sexual dichotomy of the human race, being as dramatic a form of biological specialization as it is, must

serve some major ecological need. Could this be solely reproduction?

Apparently not, since certain life forms reproduce parthenogenetically, and even humans could theoretically reproduce in this manner. The meaning of this specialization would appear to be related to efficiency in providing the essentials of life while at the same time carrying on with the creation of new life.

It would seem that a unisexual being capable of parthenogenetic reproduction would be, biologically speaking, less able to survive than are the higher animals, including man, which are sexually dualistic. Sexual dualism insures mobility of the food gathering and anti-predatory activities (in the person of the male) while not neglecting reproduction and supervision of the young (in the person of the female.

The process which brought this about took some millions of years to develop. That instinct exists in man would seem a likelihood. The few thousand years of relative civilization (or domestication) of mankind would hardly seem long enough to even begin to eradicate this specialization. This would be true, perhaps, even if society had been oriented towards changing past patterns.

The fact, however, is that for better or worse the course of human civilization has (predictably) followed and reinforced the pattern of the past to a significant extent. Once sexual division took place - and it took place long before man evolved into existence - any trend towards a unisexual life pattern would tend to be rendered more difficult *by the very sexual division itself!*

All of this would seem to suggest that men and women differ not only in their reproductive roles, *but in their function in life.* Man's primal instincts as to what to do with his life would therefore be expected to differ considerably from female instincts. While primal instincts certainly do not and should not constitute *the entirety of what humankind should actually do,* neither can they be, nor should they be ignored. Nor are they. *THE PRIMAL INSTINCTS OUTLINED ABOVE HAVE BEEN MANIFESTED IN THE BASIC STRUCTURE OF EVERY MAJOR SOCIETY IN THE HISTORY OF CIVILIZED MAN.**

Once again, this specialization does not imply inequality in the terms of the third definition of "equality." It does vindicate, though, the concept of fundamentally differing roles in society for men and women. As human beings differ individually, any rigid demarcation of roles which ignores personal characteristics would be prejudiced and perhaps bigoted. But one should reasonably expect society *as society* to be structured to the human norm rather than the anomaly.

Hence it would be unfair to deny a woman the opportunity to seek employment of her choice, but it should not be expected that those professions which are direct lineal descendants of primal male functions be "neutrally" oriented. They rise from masculine-function roots. They are therefore basically - though not necessarily exclusively - masculine. The same, of course, would apply to males seeking employment in, or involvement in activities of primordial female descent.

All of this may be true, but is it just? A quick materialistic-scientific answer to this question is that "truth *is* justice." I am an advocate of humanitarianism as well as scientific reasoning, and I refuse to disregard human aspirations as "subjective" or unimportant. Primordial does not mean right; to an extent warfare and murder are primordial and instinctive, though perhaps considerably less so than sexual differentiation.

The urge to kill unnecessarily or non-

**The term "major" in this statement can be appropriately scrutinized. We think of the civilizations of Greece, Egypt, Rome, China and the Europe of post-Roman times. Margaret A. Murray describes the survival into relatively recent times of Neolithic and Bronze Age races in Europe* (The God of the Witches, *page 52). There are some indications that these relatively obscure people had a matriarchal structure in their society, as well as a communal one. But even here, Dr. Murray's description of this society (pages 56 and 69) might be interpreted to suggest that the matriarchal characteristics are relatively superficial, and an in-depth understanding of their social structure would reveal the primordial lines to be intact.*

defensively appears sporadically in nature. Ants engage in warfare, butterflies do not. Carnivores kill for food, herbivores do not. The pattern of violence in nature does not seem nearly so universal and consistent as sexual differentiation.*

Be that as it may, the fact that sexual differentiation is instinctive does not make it an admirable characteristic of the race, though it does seem to explain it in terms of biological predictability rather than personal vindictiveness, something that advocates of Women's Liberation should keep in mind.

However, the presence of this biologically-originated phenomenon suggests the possibility that *humanity as a whole tends to become psychologically maladjusted when artificial standards are imposed.* There are situations wherein human orientation should be diverted, even at psychological cost as in the case of international warfare. Here the psychological price is exceeded by the enormous human loss engendered by continuing the old cycle.

But is the status of women comparable? Certainly, in some societies, the position of women is intolerable. Women are indeed treated as inferiors, if not subhumans. In such societies, the kind of mild Women's Liberation movement that exists in America would seem an underreaction. But in the Western World, the position of women is, generally speaking, very good. Where we run into a problem, and perhaps where Women's Liberation finds its converts is that *most women in the West are unhappy with their lot in life.*

This would be a good argument for the Movement were it not for another, equally important fact: *Most men are unhappy as well!* And, I think, for the same reasons. It is my contention that *these reasons find their basis not in the unique problems of women, but rather in problems of the human condition in general.* These are problems of misused power, of sterile lifestyles, of the very tenuousness of life itself. In a very real sense, the slave is not woman, but humanity, and the slavemaster is revealed to be not man, but Death.

It is my further contention that the problems which afflict women in Western Society can, for the most part, best be eradicated by dealing with these general problems of humanity. What we need, what we all need desperately, is not Women's Liberation, but Human Liberation.

- Allen H. Greenfield

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THE EGO CORNER
By Geneva Steinberg

Originally I had planned to have my reply to the above in this space, but Allen Greenfield protested this bit of oneup(wo)manship; therefore you will find my answer in the NEXT issue. This will officially start a regular column which will be my Ego Corner, and our topic for this issue is

WAR BY ASSASSINATION

*The type *of sexual roles which are manifest in human behavior are not universal in the animal world. For example, the male seahorse carries the young and gives birth. But sexual differentiation begins at a very early stage of evolutionary development, and I assert that the* thrust *of this development is towards the type of specialization noted in human beings.*

"The justification of a past crime is the planting and cultivation of future crimes. Indeed, the repetition of a crime is sometimes part of a device of justification; we do it again and again to convince ourselves and others that it is a common thing and not an enormity."

- Eric Hoffer

Everyone agrees that the worst thing about war is that innocent people get hurt. People who had nothing to do with starting it and have little interest in continuing it. Whereas the people most responsible for the whole thing, the leaders, usually have a sort of diplomatic immunity. They hold polite negotiations while their pawns do the fighting.

War of any sort isn't the best way to settle conflicts, but if we must resort to violence, why not insist that it be confined to those who have an interest in the outcome? One possibility would be for the leaders to engage in a duel or hand-to-hand combat. If this way were adopted, peace would probably be made pretty quickly. In spite of all the talk about the glory of giving your life for your country, nobody has their *own* life in mind.

But this solution is probably *too* straightforward. Too close to admitting that the population as a whole is incidental to the outcome, and aren't all those politicians supposed to be representing the People? But there is one time-honored tradition which might be adapted to similar purposes. Assassination.

In this case, I am suggesting assassination as a *government* policy, not for free-lancers. How much simpler and cheaper than waging large scale warfare! Just assassinate those leaders responsible for maintaining whatever policy you don't like.

You will recognize that this is highly unsportsmanlike.

I remember reading how, during World War II, a British officer found himself staying in a hotel room with his window facing directly across from Adolf Hitler. He conferred with his comrades to decide whether he should shoot the Fuhrer; but they finally agreed that it would be unethical.

THAT is sportsmanship in warfare! Now, what would be the advantages of cloak-and-dagger tactics?

Take the Vietnam conflict, for an example. This is supposed to be a Civil War or a Spontaneous Uprising, but we all know better. *Somebody* on the other side is keeping it all together. And I can't believe nobody knows who that is. So why not go after the man at the top? True, after he is disposed of, another one would immediately spring up to take his place. But after a few funerals, people would begin to get the idea.

I hear protests that assassination is not as easy as it sounds, especially when your target is on guard. This is true. But turn on the 6:00 News and take a look at our favorite alternative.

It is also true that if the United States started using this method, the opposition would catch on fast and send some thugs after our own people. But that's a risk they're taking already. Would increasing the risk deter qualified people from entering politics?

I submit that if an issue is important enough to risk the lives of the population at large, it is important enough to risk the leaders' lives also (or instead). If not, then to hell with it. Right now thousands of young people are risking death for no reward whatsoever except a pat on the back and a feeling of having done their duty. So I can't believe, human nature being what it is, that everyone would shun the glory of public office just because it made them sitting ducks. The power of the human ego is more than that!

This form of warfare would be less strain on the national budget, and wouldn't unbalance the global ecology so much. True, there would be the slight population increase and massive unemployment to reckon with....

Another alternative would be to hold War Games in some out of the way place, with small teams of volunteer soldiers, supervised carefully by referees from neutral countries. Then television could *really* bring the event right into your living room! Maybe the games could be held every fall, to determine who would be running things for the year ahead. Or, maybe they could be included in the Olympics. Think of the possibilities for increased revenue from internationally-sponsored gambling on the outcome.

And to make up for the money they'd lose from manufacturing, the big companies could sponsor the telecasts. "This war brought to you by...." And turn some Madison Avenue and Hollywood publicity men loose on it, and think what this could do to keep the hoods off our streets!

But this article isn't intended to be satire. Not that I think any of these ideas have any likelihood of being put into practice, but distasteful as they may seem, they are *FAR* preferable to the way things are now. If our bloodthirsty streak can't be eradicated, better it should be brought out into the open and de-fused, before it destroys us all. And better we should try to confine the worst consequences of war to those who volunteer to take part. Look at it this way, too: After a few generations of warfare with only *volunteers* to suffer, the human race might breed out some of its combativeness.

One thing is certain: Our destructive impulses are much more dangerous when they aren't openly acknowledged. The bad qualities of our enemy are only incidental. Hitler showed that when we don't have a real enemy worth fighting, we invent one.

Wouldn't it be convenient if the UFO force could provide us with a target frightening enough for the planet to unite against, but one that would be safely out of reach...perhaps forever?

- Geneva Steinberg

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(THE RINGING ROCKS - continued from page 8)

ping region of time-space, an area where our universe and another partially join, would that other time-space continuum have different laws of direction? If so, the human system would have to adjust and then readjust its hidden compass. And the physical structuring of the terrain in that "window" need not be so different as to arouse suspicion by sight alone.

Window area! The term is innocent enough but perhaps far closer to the truth than even Keel may suspect.

I'd be interested to learn just how many such locations may be scattered across the country and abroad. Rocks that ring. Foreign rocks; alien rocks? Not truly of this world, but then again, not quite out of phase with our reality.

I still would like to remain overnight in a site of Ringing Rocks. Such an effort is warrented, I feel, if only to satisfy a driving curiousity. When that time comes, I hope to be around to discuss it afterward.... - Curtis K. Sutherly

(Editor's Note: *Readers who would like to join the Editors of* CAVEAT EMPTOR *and Curtis Sutherly on a trip to investigate the Ringing Rocks are asked to get in touch with us. We're also interested in hearing about your experiences with them.)*

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(WAS JESUS CHRIST A SPACEMAN? - continued from page 9)

his body until it entered a higher dimension of life above the range of awareness of human physical senses. Biblical "angels" and "heavenly hosts" correspond to the space beings.

Assuming Jesus Christ was a spaceman, why did he visit this particular fly-speck of a planet? What were his reasons? There are a lot of thought-provoking answers in *Flying Saucer Pilgrimage*.

During the course of billions of years of Earth-time, superior civilizations galore have come and gone, flourished and died. Meanwhile, the Planetary Guardians have not been idle. Great masters and teachers have been sent to Earth, as well as other planets, whenever necessary.

These are advanced beings whose origin is *NOT* planetary. They are truly "space beings" or "Etherics" who are qualified to act as teachers to the evolving civilizations that dwell on various planets. Beyond any doubt, there are billions of inhabited planets in different stages of evolution where the need for teachers is great.

As for whether or not mankind has lived the teachings of the Master Jesus,

and whether the true teachings have been taught, the answer has been a discouraged head-shake. These teachings were based on cosmic law. Had they been followed, the world would not now be the danger-spot it is.

But one might argue that there would be no present critical state if only the Planetary Guardians would end the evilness of our long-troubled globe. Then why don't they, these beings of such immense wisdom, compassion, and high moral fibre?

Most Earth people, because they are so constituted, learn only by experience. Throughout countless ages, great teachers like Jesus Christ have been sent here to help us and to show us the way. But have we followed these noble teachings? In no way can the answer be in the affirmative.

Of course the Planetary Guardians could solve all of mankind's pressing problems. However, this would deprive us of the lessons we need. It is not permitted for them to lead our lives for us. Cosmic law wisely puts limits on the help they can bestow. Even so, much unrecognizable help is given us, within these bonds.

Man receives "inspirations." And "helpful thoughts," "good hunches," "right ideas." When conditions reach a hopeless state in our affairs, they take an unseen hand, and bring about drastic changes.

So, there they are - the conclusions of many deep-thinking UFO researchers as expressed in Bryant and Helen Reeve's engrossing book, *Flying Saucer Pilgrimage*. That Jesus Christ was not at all divine, but an advanced space being, a flesh-and-blood humanoid mortal from another dimension.

- Alex Saunders

(Editor's Note: Flying Saucer Pilgrimage *was originally published in 1957 by the Amherst Press, Amherst, Wisconsin. The book was reprinted in paperback a few years ago, and sells for $2.62 per copy. We also have a few copies for sale.*)

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(THE COSMIC MIND - continued from page 13)

3) Soviet Union, *issue 145, 1962*

4) Father Herbert Thurston, Physical Phenomena of Mysticism.

5), 6) and 7) See Gaddis.

8) See Keel, Strange Creatures From Time and Space, *Fawcett, 1970.*

9) See his works An Experiment With Time, The Serial Universe *and* Nothing Dies.

10) See Life *magazine, "The Chemistry of Madness" by Robert Campbell, November 26, 1971.*

- Dennis Stamey

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term to point the finger at modern radio systems, used as they are to convey idiocy to everyone listening; the captive audience sitting with their ears beat down by commercials and folderol. The radio, like most other modern gadgets, suffers from the long term sabotage of the UFO-nicks, as they beat at the mind of man to put it out, as one beats at a fire one fears.

So, what you want in your future depends on what you do about *Wet Radio.*

This sabotage of Earthly life is even extending now into our foods, and "none of your pills" is a very genuine reaction to the evil side-effects of the commercial pilling of our people. The tragedy of thalydomide was no accident. The mutilated genes that brought forth monstrous births from the use of a sleeping pill may be seen in a vastly extended form from the use of birth control pills. Anyone who thinks they can stop the process of birth by taking a pill isn't thinking properly. The kind of doctors who say "the pill" is safe are the kind of doctors they meant in the Mother Goose rhyme, "Dr. Fell, I don't like thee."

Pills are being used to make our whole populace stupid and slavish. They undermine the real character of Earth people and replace it with a sort of character so weak it needs dope to go.

- Richard S. Shaver

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(CONVENTION ROUNDUP - continued from page 16)

On a unanimous vote, a bid from Greenfield to hold next year's convention in Atlanta was approved. Greenfield explained he had hopes for a symposium format featuring Barker and Moseley. Both of them quickly accepted the offer.

At one point, a poll was taken to see how many of the delegates harbored any concrete views on where UFOs come from. The answer most often voiced was, "I'll be damned if I know!"

Over 100 people attended the open session on Sunday, June 25th.

Keynote speaker was Gray Barker, who wound up his short speech with a film he produced that dramatizes the antics of the notorious "Men in Black." Moseley came up to the podium next to give a brief overall look at Ufology. He was followed by Curtis Sutherly and Barbara Hudson.

Sutherly, an Air Force sergeant, covered a great deal of territory and touched on many "fringe" areas of UFO and Fortean research. He tended to ramble on a bit and was forced to apologize to the audience for his lack of experience as a public speaker and the usual faulty public address system. But like all the other speakers, he was well received.

Ms. Hudson climaxed the afternoon's entertainment by telling of her experience with a downed saucer over Manhattan when she was a child.

Carmella Falzone, a co-worker of longtime researcher Laura Mundo of Detroit was asked to conclude the session with a short address. However, she told sponsor Gary Elvers of Logansport that the 15 minutes offered was just not enough to cover her viewpoints.

Professor Larry Lawrence, who is curator of an alleged flying saucer museum, was advertised as a featured speaker. However he didn't show up or explain to anyone why he couldn't show up. A few disgruntled members of the audience wondered about the good Professor's whereabouts and the piece of a supposed saucer he had promised to bring.

Thus, about 50 minutes early, Elvers ended the meeting by telling of his own feelings of futility in trying to do some constructive research. He declared, "This is to be my final day in Ufology."

Frankly, I don't believe he is giving up so easily. It has already been rumored that he will continue to write articles on flying suacers, perhaps under a pseudonym.

So ended the Congress of Scientific Ufologists! Gray Barker, Barbara Hudson and James Moseley left early on the pretext that the latter two had to catch a plane in Indianapolis to get back to New York.

The Editors of CAVEAT EMPTOR departed on a journey through flood-ravaged Pennsylvania, to their home in the suburban Philadelphia community of Coatesville. Curtis Sutherly was overheard boasting about making the 700-plus mile trip back to his Pennsylvania home in eleven hours flat!

What was he doing? Chasing a UFO?

- C.S. Kent

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CULTURE CORNER

BLACK MAGIC, SATANISM AND VOODOO

By Dr. Leo Louis Martello - HC Publishers, Inc., New York, N.Y. - 1972 - $1.00.

A five-year-old child is sacrificed to Kali, the Hindu Goddess of destruction. The youth's parents admit to cutting his throat and offering a bottle filled with his blood to the Goddess at a temple.

It is a vicious act by the devil-worshipping descendants of the dreaded Killers of Kali, a secret cult whose rein of terror claimed as many as a million lives during the early 19th century.

The Killers were armed with a "Rumal," a handkerchief used to strangle their unwary victims.

In *Black Magic, Satanism and Voodoo,* Dr. Leo Louis Martello reports on many instances of ritual deaths by so-called Satanist societies.

Intermingled with accounts of these and other odd religious practices are the tales of Dr. Martello's own tribulations in giving Witchcraft a measure of respectability.

Dr. Martello is a *Strego,* a witch of Sicilian tradition, who was born into a family of witches. He is also a very controversial character even among practitioners of the Craft. Such things as a "Witch-in" and other antics have not endeared him to the more conservative "broom closet" witches who still rankle with memories of the Salem witch trials and other acts of persecution against their kind through the centuries.

UFO and occult fans will share knowing glances as they read long and often humorous reports of Dr. Martello's verbal fisticuffs with his fellow witches.

It's interesting to observe the similarity between rival witches debating opposing viewpoints, and the ideological squabbles of flying saucer and occult buffs.

The book isn't that well organized, as the reader first confronts accounts of ritual murder, then an abrupt switch to Dr. Martello's intra-Craft arguments.

But this seems to be primarily the fault of Editor Hal Cohen. There is a wealth of fascinating background material on occult religions of all kinds.

Here is an easy reading stepping-stone to a study of religious practices that may have more in common with "conventional" religions than we might suspect. Such as the comparison between the *Yezidis* - thought of as devil worshippers - and early Christian beliefs.

The author also provides a liberal bibliography and recommended reading list to help the reader pursue these subjects further.

All in all, an excellent way to begin a study of the occult arts.

(Note: *For information on ordering the book, please turn to the advertisement on page 34.*)

- Eugene Steinberg

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THE AQUARIAN REVELATION

By Brad Steiger - Dell Publishing Co., Inc., New York, N.Y. - 1971 - 75¢.

My biggest criticism of this particular book is the commercial aspect that would be obvious to old-timers in UFO and Fortean research. The book was clearly

aimed at a naive general public who would be unaware that many of the UFO accounts therein are a retelling of well known and somewhat classical tales. The same fault could be said of some of the other Steiger material which, to the long time Ufologist, seems to be a "quickie" reshape for book counter and cash register.

On the other hand, the message Steiger seems to find behind some of the "contactee" revelations and messages from so-called "Space Brothers" seems more fascinating. In the tradition of Downing in *The Bible and Flying Saucers*, Trench's *The Sky People*, and John Keel's *Operation Trojan Horse* and *Our Haunted Planet*, Steiger also poses this question:

"Are the Space Brothers really God's angels coming to gather the 'elect' in the 'chariots of God'? Have they really been sent to assist in the period of cleansing which must come...are the 'angels' once again speaking to the prophets (contactees) in order that they may guide man through the difficult period of adjustment as the old, corrupt Earth is cleansed and purified for the new era?"

The idea is not entirely new. The 19th chapter of Genesis retells the story of the three angelic visitors who persuaded Lot to leave Sodom before the halocaust would overtake it.

"For we will destroy this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the Lord; and the Lord hath sent us to destroy it."

We also find the classical Genesis account of the Flood and Noah's Ark.

"This time the Space Brothers would provide the necessary 'arks,'" says Steiger of our present day. "They would remove all the modern 'Noah's' to safety."

"Judgment Day, it seems, is not to be one terrible day of salvation or damnation but rather the beginning of the Final Hours...." according to the angelic contact of the Light Affiliates mentioned in Steiger's book. "Mankind has strayed so far that many will not be aware of Christ's return. People of Earth! Listen to me! Your Judgment Day has arrived!"

It is with interest that we find that Pastor Charles Taze Russell preached the same message before his death in 1916. Founded on his studies of the great pyramid of Gizeh in Egypt and a clearer understanding of Scriptures, Pastor Russell also proclaimed that a Millenial Age had begun in 1799, and that Christ's secret presence began in full order in 1878.

Russellites have proclaimed that from that date on, the nominal church systems and worldly governments have been in growing and constantly increasing turmoil, heralding the fall of the "Babylonian system of things" mentioned in Daniel 2. The outbreak of World War I showed a definite turning point for mankind; that the Last Hours for "Babylon" are here.

Such similarities would certainly be interesting. But far more noticeable are the variances and conflicts of basic doctrine and details in the "accounts" Steiger has collected in his book. Space Brothers, Underground Civilizations, and reincarnated Venusians. Come on now, it can't all be correct? How about some sense to it? - Steve Erdmann

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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

Dear Gene:

I would like to take this opportunity to answer Kurt Glemser's criticisms of Raymond Dreher in the Summer, 1972 issue of CAVEAT EMPTOR.

How he can tie Ray Dreher in with advocacy of movie and T.V. violence and sadism is beyond me. Ray Dreher is equally against these other perversions. CDL specializes in fighting sexual aberration and perversion, however, and it may interest the readers to know that sadism and sex often come together in sick, violence-type masochistic portrayals.

Glemser takes things out of context. Dreher spoke of "defying reality" in regards to pornographers such as the one in California who would not show the stuff to his children. Also, it is debatable how many citizens practice oral sex. Even if the majority did, ultimate morality is not a matter of general consensus any more than allowing toxic drugs to be taken at

the whims of small toddlers. Dreher and I do not speak out against the private sex practices of legitimately married spouses (we've read the book of the Song of Solomon too). Even here, one can go too far.

Communities have the right to enact laws to protect the common and public welfare of the citizenry. They do this through their juries, aldermanic boards and various legislatures. This is the name of the game. If the majority of voting citizens feel obliged to vote in laws based on a Judeo-Christian morality advocating types of sexual restraint, it is the right of the citizenry to do this. The community has a right to protect itself against what they feel are dangers at large. Avant-garde liberals of this country espouse total and complete anarchy under the guise of the First Amendment of the United States. Other countries have similar problems.

Ray Dreher doesn't feel Hugh Hefner is a "savior." In my estimation Playboy Enterprises has turned out to be one of the biggest hoaxes of our time. It is a fallacious philosophy of *Playboy* that this country is overrun by Puritans, Christian Zealots, and fanatic churches. Having shared that view for some years, I soon came to realize that the opposite was true: Permissiveness always reigned with the upper hand - if given the opportunity. If one reads Hefner's *Philosophy, Forum,* and other propaganda with an analytical and inquiring mind, I feel he will find many large gaping holes in his thinking. *Playboy* has traditionally hopped on the bandwagon of popularity via the hippie culture, anti-FBIism, drug play, neosurrealism, ultra-Freudianism, and a host of other anomalies:

1) *People are for complete sex freedom.* Yet on the other hand he is telling his readers how many Puritans are taking the country by force. Which?

2) *Pornography is not harmful.* That, of course, would depend on one's "purpose." Hefner, however, quotes only favorable studies, ignoring those which say the opposite - such as the University of Utah study (Dr. Victor Cline and associates), the Davis-Braucht report and others. These reports say that pictoral and literary media are "powerful teachers" that can "set the stage for a society based on aggression and irresponsibility." The Davis-Braucht researchers say specifically that a youngster's sexuality can "be warped" by pornography.

3) *Sweden is proof positive of beneficial pornography.* Impartial data indicates that foreign porno countries are "reaping the whirlwind." Most sex crime laws are removed from the books; ergo, no crime. In actuality, rape, V.D., suicide, divorce, incest and a host of other related acts are rampant. The irony of the situation is forced on us when we read that one city's police department broke up a "porno operation" out of brute necessity. In a country that has no existing restraints on porno and related acts, why had the situation become so bad that officials felt compelled to do something when their laws say nothing had to be done?

4) *Playboy readers eventually come to see the "light" of Hefner's Truth.* Often the contrary. People eventually reject the *Playboy Philosophy* as unrealistic and harmful. One center-fold model, for example, had her picture scheduled for a forthcoming issue, but had been studying with ministers of Jehovah's Witnesses. Becoming convinced she made an error, she rescinded her permission for *Playboy* to use her photos. But that might not be publicized in *Playboy*.

Concerning nude bodies on T.V. and people from native cultures, I can do Glemser one better. What about certain southwest Pacific Melanesian islanders who practice strict virginity till marriage, punishment for fornication and adultery, and were so modest that men and women could not even walk down the same road - the one group would have to leave the road or hide till the other left? Stone-age people living in the unexplored forests of southern Mindanae island in the Philippines, as another example, practice no polyandry and a man and woman mate for life. Queen Victoria hadn't even been born when that tribe originated.

It is hoped that Glemser will try to look beyond the Alice in Wonderland world our avante-garde nihilists are advocating, and come to a little more objective (and that doesn't mean total scientism) view.

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Steve Erdmann
St. Louis, Mo.

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Dear Steve:

I received your letter of May 30th together with enclosure, and the observations made therein. Obviously I would not waste my time in direct correspondence with Mr. Glemser.

You will note that Mr. Glemser feels "pornography should be legal at least for those eighteen years of age or over." Obviously, Mr. Glemser recognizes that pornography has a detrimental effect on those younger than eighteen years. He is therefore inconsistent when he observes that sex (perversion) harms no one.

Relative to his observations on "oral sex," he obviously would be forced to support the concept that, because there are many murderers in the world, murder is an acceptable practice. The fact that, from every philosophical standpoint, oral sex is a perversion of the intended purpose of sex, completely escapes him.

His reference to the fact that any attempts to eliminate the crime of obscenity is in itself perversion is best answered by saying, at least, I am against obscenity whereas he apparently favors it. If this is perversion on my part, what would one label his approach?

His references to *Playboy* again leave me cold. The fact that it is one of the top ten best-selling magazines does nothing to elevate the magazine from its status of preaching against decency. *Playboy* magazine, in my estimation, has done more to destroy the beauty of legitimate private sexuality than any other publication ever produced in the United States.

Mr. Glemser's last observation on nudity is ample evidence that he has a total lack of understanding of the issues involved. The presentation of virtually any subject matter must be taken in the context in which it appears. I am confident he would be the first one to resort to the trite argument that under my theory all art museums should be closed.

Mr. Glemser's obvious surface reasoning does not dignify itself sufficiently for me to make a direct response. There are too few hours in a day to waste time on such observations as he has made....

Ray T. Dreher
Clayton, Mo.

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Dear Editors:

Received the issue of CAVEAT EMPTOR recently....It's a fine issue, as usual, except for that ridiculous interview with "?," obviously a pseudonym. If you are to maintain the high standards you have been observing up to this time, I strongly suggest that you stop publishing the ravings of any crank who walks through your door, and leave such tripe to people like Barker (who may have planted this interview just to get some free publicity). Let "?" and others like him illuminate themselves out of your pages or I shall be forced to cancel my subscription.

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Dear Geneva:

I often think the whole Women's Lib movement is caused by a degeneration of conceptual material in the mass mind.

That is: In literature woman dominates romantically, as in the poem "My Lady Laughs" in cavalier times. It is only in this modern time...that woman's position conceptually has decreased. And I don't think it is so much actual as a kind of present from the overlay. The overlay is an underworld term for wide-field telaug; a huge magnetic field like that from a radio broadcast, which conveys into the unconscious mind all sorts of variations on the frame of reference.

....But how do you explain all that to someone who never heard of an overlay and never will?

In my own experience women had, in the old days of my childhood, no consciousness of inferiority or any idea they were not as much the boss as any man. I remember the old stone house, an ancestral sort of ex-hotel, once a Post house on the old stage coach road through Pennsylvania.

The man who inherited it was named Roy. He was my cousin. He married a woman with a cast in her eye and a raucous sort of dominating voice, who I remember only as "Lou."

Lou dominated everything and everybody - humorously but really. No one thought anything much about it. That was woman's place, to run the steading, and to me this was always the way of it. Roy was there, quiet, pipe smoking, humorous, dogs at heel and gun in hand. But Lou ran the big place and it seemed so right. I can't believe that traditionally there was ever any real conflict in woman's place. It's a modern thing.

Women always ran the homes in the old country way that was rural America. If you don't believe this, you just don't know. Men planted and ran the barn, the horses, etc. But the *house*, where life was at, that was the woman's domain, and you wiped your feet.

So it was in feudal times too, in many books. My Lady was the boss. I think you find this in the English novel. The female part in feudalistic England was as often dominant as subservient, and sex had nothing to do with it. It was chance. It was hereditary. One either was of the dominant class or not, and nothing about sex in it.

However, I haven't thought about this historically. And I suspect that few Women's Lib shouters of today have the proper grounding in historical material. For instance, the Empress of Russia and the Empress of Austria, etc., ran countries as large as any, and it was just as feasible for a woman to run a country as for a man.

There were just as many male serfs in total subservience as female....

I have my suspicions about the whole thing. But then, in my own home life, it was Ma who had the education and Pa who asked her opinion. They never argued about who dominated what, nor can I remember any quarrels, really. When Dad got mad and shouted it was never at Ma, but at one of us kids. We enjoyed getting Dad upset because he was a humorist and would joke his way out when his ire cooled.

Anyway, I suspect the reason people don't take Women's Lib seriously is that conceptually in man's mind woman dominates. Even when she is just a waitress or poorly paid employee, she manages things anyway.

And how do you liberate someone who runs you by the nose anyway?

Richard S. Shaver
Summit, Ark.

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Dear Dear Editors:

It was with pleasure I received my first CAVEAT EMPTOR.

I would like to say that the experiences of "?" are similar to those of other psychics. It's just that nobody has ever wanted to listen to us before, although we had lots to tell them. Only this person seemed to experience his "awakening" rather violently.

It is true that it is extremely difficult to communicate these revelations. First, because the English language is terribly inadequate for it, and secondly because it is necessary to translate from telepathy into written form. For it is telepathy through which the psychic is obtaining information. And from one of the gurus or teachers that go about our world seeking those whom they can teach.

At one time when I had been reading a book by Swedenborg I suddenly had a vision wherein I saw the whole plan of the Universe, the very how and why of existence. It came to me while I was in this sort of half-trance that I would write it all down as soon as the vision was over lest I forget it. Well, I jumped up and got pencil and paper - and there were no words! I could neither write nor tell it. But it was very vast - limitless - and at the same time simple as nature itself.

Then at another time I became much concerned over Genesis. I found that every time I read the creation story it became clearer to me, until I realized in a flash - I am being taught! Every time one does become aware of a new truth one wants to go out and cry, "Listen World!" But I suggest that the chela wait until the revelations complete themselves and then he'll have something real to preach about.

A medium told me that my teacher is of

an oriental type who once lived in the place now called India. I have travelled far and learned much, says the teacher. I afterward went to other mediums, who did not know me or the mediums I had first consulted. Each one told me of the same personage, and I was given a spirit picture of him at Camp Chesterfield, which isn't a very plain photo but does show the man.

Yes, psychic power and awareness does fluctuate. A medium is not a medium all of the time, and a psychic is not psychic all of the time. The psychic mind sleeps too.

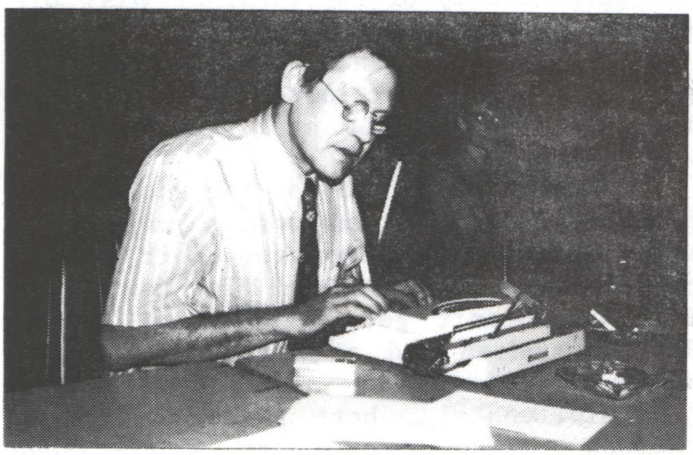
Mr. "?" must wait until the series of lessons are received before he can evaluate the message therein. It may take several years. But do not force them, and do not fight them when they come. He will know a wonderful thing.

Happy UFO hunting.

Dulcie Brown
Fresno, Calif.

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Dear Gene & Geneva,



I read Curtis Sutherly's article in your Summer issue in which he referred to a letter from me published in your Spring issue. I do not accuse Sutherly of parroting an Air Force line when he praises that service in relationship to UFO investigation, but I do believe he is naive.

While the Air Force is not publicly engaging in UFO research, this does not indicate that the level of their former activity has diminished, though it may now be "underground." Nor is the thought that the Army has taken over some of this work negated by his statements.

Mr. Sutherly apparently gets much of his "information" from hearsay sources within the military. It would be doubtful that he has access to what is really going on in UFO research unless, of course, he has a security clearance that would enable him to get this information. If this were true, then he isn't being fair with us.

He is not looking at the many other agencies engaging in official but sub rosa research. For instance, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, which is making a serious study of the psychological impact of UFO visitation. To head this project it has without fanfare obtained the services of a top civilian researcher.

Nor is he apparently aware of the surveillance being given the civilian research area by certain intelligence-gathering agencies in government. He has only to peruse the membership rolls of the past three Congress of Scientific Ufologist meetings to read names of "members" who have really been there in an official investigative capacity though disguised as civilian researchers.

Gray Barker,
Clarksburg, W. Va.

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CAVEAT EMPTOR NEWSWATCH:

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SAUCER SIGHTINGS ON THE RISE

Back in 1969, UFO writer/researcher John Keel said in his newsletter, *Anomaly*, that another publicity flap was due in 1972. While there hasn't yet been any meteoric rise in saucer interest, there is a definite increase in the number of sightings getting publicity in the local newspapers and in UFO publications.

On the evening of March 28th, two boys saw a ball of fire come down to tree level

near Middletown, Ohio. 18-year-old Bill Johnson and 14-year-old Tim Hinds told UFO researcher Bonita Roman they were headed for Tim's home in a car when the object was sighted. Hinds said they "kept driving and then later on after we went under the train trestle it was on the other side of the river. And it was two separate lights, and they looked like flames to me, and they had a little 'cloud' around them."

Investigator George D. Fawcett of Mount Airy, North Carolina reports that a "chalky-white pear-shaped UFO" was spotted early in the morning of April 3rd over his home town. One side of a cross perched atop the First Baptist Church on North Main Street was lit up by the saucer.

As usual, the most spectacular reports came from overseas. A flying saucer supposedly landed on a farm near Port Lincoln in South Australia around May 1st. Investigators described a circular area on the ground about the size of a large tractor tire. A two-man research team is conducting tests.

Late in March, UFOs were seen in three different areas of France over a 24-hour period. A farmer claimed a saucer knocked out the electric power of his car when it took off. In Normandy, a fireman told of a saucer landing. The rest of the accounts described the typical run of strange flying objects.

Other sighting reports from around the world mentioned glowing lights, sometimes shooting off sparks, some slow-moving, some fast-moving, all quite eerie - all evidence that the flying saucers are still here in earnest.

(*The Ohio UFO Reporter*, January-February-March, 1972; *Skylook* [Box 129, Stover, Mo.], June, 1972; *The Emergency Press*, 7/1/72.)

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UFOS GO TO COLLEGE

The department of physics at Temple University in Philadelphia has established a course in "unusual Physical Phenomena" for undergraduates.

Among the areas of study, the Bermuda Triangle, the reality of flying saucers, ball lightning, magnetism and others.

The instructor, Dr. Leroy Dubeck, says he remains "neutral" on the reality of UFOs. As textbooks, students receive *Aliens In Our Skies* by John Fuller and the *Condon Report*, to get both sides of the picture. Other books included in the course are those by Brad Steiger and Major Donald Keyhoe.

While there are no legitimate degrees being handed our yet in Ufology, this appears to be a big step forward.

Dr. Dubeck is on sabbatical leave for the fall semester, but he will be back to conduct the course again in the spring of 1973.

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HOT AIR DEPARTMENT...

One of the megalithic pillars of the "Hollow Earth" theory has been weakened.

For years a belief in a "lost world" beneath the surface of our planet depended on alleged voyages by the late Admiral Richard E. Byrd, into a mysterious land "beyond" the pole.

Whatever the reality behind these trips, strong doubt has now been cast on the authenticity of the first of his "official" polar flights.

72-year-old Bernt Balchen, a former pilot for Byrd, declared in Washington that the 1926 flight over the North Pole was "based on a fraud."

Balchen claimed he got the whole story from the late Floyd Bennett, saying, "they never got that far away from their base at Spitsbergen, and, if Byrd flew toward the Pole, he didn't get as close to it as Roald Amundsen did a year earlier - 130 miles from the pole."

Unfortunately, both principals in the episode - Byrd and Bennett - are long dead, and all that remains is the word of Balchen.

If the charge is true, it doesn't mean that Byrd's later flights didn't take place. But it does raise a lot of questions that demand some answers.

And until the historians decide what's true and what isn't we'll never know if he saw that "enchanted" land at all.

(*Philadelphia Inquirer*, 12/15/71.)

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ARE YOU THERE, JOHN CARTER?

In the last issue of CAVEAT EMPTOR, we reported on the latest batch of discouraging news about the possibility of life on Mars. We mused that Edgar Rice Burroughs' famed roamer of the Martian wastes, John Carter, must remain a fantasy.

Now it's beginning to look as if Burroughs had something on the ball after all.

The latest information from the troubled Mariner 9 probe shows river courses with evidence of a continuing flow of water. To make things look even more Earth-like, there are depressed glacial areas that scientists say resemble the one that produced the Hudson Bay in Canada. And yes, there are even Martian deserts, if the new data is to be believed.

One of the major differences between Mars and Earth is that the red planet has ice ages that drag on for millions of years.

So, Mars has become a world to tantalize the people of Terra even more. NASA has hopes of landing a space craft there on Independence Day, 1976 - the 200th anniversary of the United States; a fitting occasion to look for new evidence of life on another planet.

(*Philadelphia Inquirer*, 6/16/72.)

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THE ENIGMA OF PLANET EARTH

As the thoughts and senses of scientists turn spaceward, to the exciting prospect that life will be found on Mars, our own planet hasn't ceased to amaze the minds of men.

A series of pictures taken from the Moon by the Apollo 16 astronauts has shown a strange band of gas, one of three known to circle the Earth. But the one depicted in the photographs taken from the Moon is the most unusual of all.

It's a whitish band at about 40 degrees latitude. The coalesced gas is made up of atomic helium, ionized oxygen and hydrogen.

The picture was made with a gold-plated camera left by our space voyagers on the lunar surface. Space scientist George Carruthers, who announced the discovery, said the whitish area of gas doesn't jibe with any known area on the planet.

And, as usual with such things, no one is saying why it's there.

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YES HORROR MOVIE FANS, THERE IS A COUNT DRACULA

The novel *Dracula*, written by Bram Stoker in 1897, has always been thought of as pure fiction. And while we're not saying that such supernatural characters as vampires exist, new evidence shows that Count Dracula lived after all - and, like the book says, in Transylvania.

Two historians from Boston College, Dr. Radu Florescu and Dr. Raymond McNally, spent four years looking for proof that such a person actually existed. They have come up with a true life story that makes the famous fantasy fiction tale pale in comparison. While not sucking the blood from the necks of his unwary victims, the real Dracula, a Romanian prince who lived in the 15th century, racked up a grand toal of 100,000 victims.

He murdered many of them by impaling them on sharpened spikes.

Portraits of the Prince showed him to look pretty much like any nobleman of the time, except for a weird glare around the eyes.

It could be that Stoker based his book on tales of the terrible exploits of Dracula handed down from father to son among the peasant class in the Old World.

Under these circumstances, the life of a homicidal maniac who wrought such havoc in his time could undergo some vast changes through the centuries.

Yet the story isn't all that simple.

When the scientists tried to spend the night at the legendary Castle Dracula, a few things occurred that were not in the rule book.

One member of the party fell and broke his hip. There were also reports of unaccountable illnesses.

Finally, the actual grave of Dracula was located in an island monastery.

It was empty!

It's thought some monks may have removed the body because it was too close to the altar. But they're not entirely cer-

tain about that...

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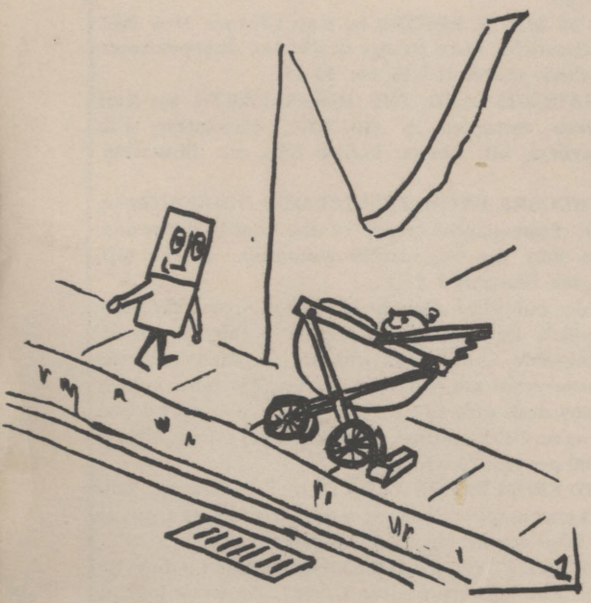
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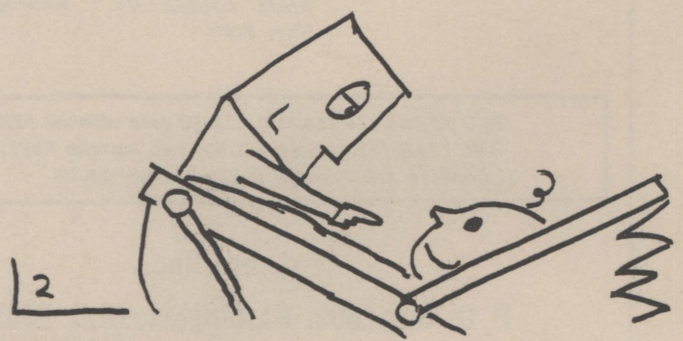
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