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Underwater UFOs

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The recent TV documentary Deep Sea UFOs, shown on the History Channel, reminded me of articles on this aspect of the phenomenon that I had saved from magazines in the 1960s and 1970s. This short article describes a few encounters.

Brazilian scientist Dr. Rubens Villela, aboard an ice-breaker being used in Operation Deep Freeze, watched as an object came up out of the sea through at least thirty-seven feet of ice and rise into the sky. Due to extremely cold temperature at the time only two other witnesses saw the object. Huge blocks of ice that had been hurled high into the air came down near the resulting hole and the water appeared to be boiling. Steam issued from both the hole and falling ice. The obvious question was whether or not alien creatures might be living at the bottom of the ocean. The date of this incident was not given.

In 1963 the Navy did exercises to train personnel in the detection and tracking of underwater craft near Puerto Rico. The aircraft carrier Wasp was thought to be the command ship along with five small Navy ships and a number of submarines. There was also an airplane which flew at low altitude to drag a detection device slightly below the water's surface. One of the submarines then broke its formation with the others and headed off in pursuit of an underwater object thought to be moving at over 175 mph. Other ships and the sonar-trailing aircraft reported the same. Sonar technicians reportedly tracked it for four days as it sometimes went down to a depth of 20,000 feet. At that time the record dive for a submarine had been 6250 feet.

In July, 1967, the captain of an Argentine Shipping Lines craft, the Naviero, watched a shining cigar-shaped craft in the water about fifty feet away. Its length was estimated to be about 100 feet. It created no wake, made no noise, and had a bright blue and white glow. This object paced the ship for about fifteen minutes and then dived passing under it. The object glowed brightly and quickly disappeared into the depths.

Older accounts also exist.

On August 12, 1885 at 3:00AM a watchman on deck suddenly saw everything around him become illuminated by a round object leaving the water and up into the clouds. It then fell out of sight but gained altitude before falling again. It had the appearance of a red-hot object the size of the sun.

In 1887, in the log of the Dutch Barque, Captain Sweet recorded that during a bad storm two objects were seen above his ship. One was luminous, one was dark, and they fell into the ocean with a loud noise.



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Objects are not always seen when anomalous events occur. In March, 1966, scientists did a series of long-range underwater communication tests based on a new theory. A mile-long antenna had been set up along the continental shelf. An ONR research ship, at a great distance away, had its instruments close to the bottom of the ocean to try and pick up the signals. The researchers on the ship were surprised at the signal's reception, and then a repeat of the signal followed by a strange code. According to a report, the signals had been picked up and mimicked by something unknown. It then transmitted its own signals on the same wavelength used by the Naval researchers. Upon tracking it, it was found to originate from a spot in the Atlantic that had depths of 29,000 feet.

In his book, *Behold a Pale Horse*, Bill Cooper claimed that the biggest shock of his life occurred while he was in the Navy. He had witnessed a huge UFO emerging from the sea and taking off into space. Cooper claimed that he and all other ship members were sworn to secrecy for reasons of national security and felt that this event created a paradigm shift which changed his life.

While most of the events described above were penned by Ivan T. Sanderson in a 1970 magazine article he had also written a book, *Invisible Residents*, which detailed many other incidents having a connection with the oceans.

Interview: Former White House ASA Specialist Under Eisenhower 'Stephen Lovekin' with Grant Cameron Wednesday, March 1, 2006

<http://frankwarren.blogspot.com/2006/03/interview-former-white-house-asa.html>

Grant Cameron (Sml) What do all the presidents from Roosevelt to "Dubya" have in common? That would be "Grant Cameron" and his highly regarded most informative web site, "The Presidents UFO Web Site."

Stephen Lovekin (Sml) This is why it comes to no surprise that with all the recent hoopla over former Eisenhower White House Army Signals Agency (WHASA) specialist "Stephen Lovekin," that Cameron had previously interviewed him, albeit brief, but an informative exchange nonetheless—FW.

July 21, 2003 Interview of Stephen (Steven) Lovekin and Grant Cameron conducted by phone:

GC: Hello. I am a researcher who runs the presidential UFO website, and I had a couple of short questions. I was wondering if you could answer them? I am doing a story in connection with Mount Weather and UFOs, and I believe you described UFOs and Mount Weather. Can you tell me what the connection was?

Lovekin: There was no connection. The only thing is that I had been there. I spent some time there.

GC: On one of the tapes you had something to the effect that they were tracking them from there.

Lovekin: Well that seemed to be the case. I certainly didn't see any evidence to that effect. There was talk about it. Yes.

GC: OK, I guess I just don't know where you got that. Someone had told you that?

Lovekin: Someone told me that – yes.

GC: You were there one time?

Lovekin: I was there probably a dozen times.

GC: With Signals Intelligence you are dealing with the President's communications and stuff like that?

Lovekin: That is right.

GC: The person that I was looking at was the guy who ran Mount Weather. This would be 1965. Did you have any contact with this person named Bourassa?

Lovekin: No, I was there in 1960 and 1961.

GC: And who was the military advisor that you were under Eisenhower?

Lovekin: Ah...gees...Colonel...I'm trying to recall his name. I can't think of his name sorry. He was a Colonel.

GC: He was a general military advisor, or he was with one of the services?

Lovekin: He was the military advisor to the President. Colonel Schulz.

GC: Some of them had an Air Force advisor, and an Army advisor.

Lovekin: That's right.

GC: Do you remember the guy that was under Kennedy? Did Kennedy know what was going on?

Lovekin: He knew what was going on.

GC: So Kennedy knew.

Lovekin: Yes.

GC: Even though he was a Democrat?

Lovekin: Yes.

GC: And Eisenhower. You never heard Eisenhower. You just heard people talking about Eisenhower knowing about this? You were never there when Eisenhower was talking about it?

Lovekin: Yes I was.

GC: Oh you were. I didn't know that part of the story.

Lovekin: Yes.

GC: When was this? At Mount Weather or...

Lovekin: No, this was at Camp David.

GC: And that was one occasion?

Lovekin: Probably a couple occasions.

GC: Can you tell me what the situation was? Was someone talking to him about sightings, or how did this subject come up?

Lovekin: Well he was waiting for a phone call on one occasion, and he started doodling. That was one of his favorites.

GC: I have seen some of his doodlings.

Lovekin: (Laughs) Anyway, he was doodling UFOs. Anyway, somehow or other he got to talking about UFOs in 1952 shortly before he took office.

GC: What was that?

Lovekin: Those were the sightings in Washington DC.

GC: I see, yes, over the capitol.

Lovekin: Yes. But he was talking about some other things as well. He just kind of rambled on. There wasn't too much that was specific, but he did discuss it. It was a very very important concern of his. I think one of the things that he was concerned about was, we were going through a serious recession back then, and the government had to let go of a lot of its control to the military industrial complex. He was much concerned about that. It just wasn't something that the government could tackle at that moment. Didn't want to tackle I guess would be a better way of putting it. But yes, he was very much into it. He believed in them. He realized the concern. He realized the concern for the American people, and I think that he honestly wanted to do something that was positive, but somehow or other his hands were tied. I am not sure why, but I have an idea. We would sit around with him when we were at Camp David, and he knew who each and every one of us by name. That was the great thing about being under him. I was just a sergeant at the time. I was still privy to some stuff that some people wouldn't be privy to.

GC: I'm not sure about what Signal Intelligence deals with...I know communication, but Mount Weather had direct communication links to the White House. What would you be doing for Signal Intelligence?

Lovekin: Well there were a number of places that the President would go in case of attack. Camp David was one, Fort Ritchie was another, there was a special area set aside for him and congressional leaders at Fort Ritchie, and then there was another one right by Fort Ritchie, which was known as concrete. That was the code name. Then there was another one in West Virginia at Martinsburg. Let's see. Then we know about the one in West Virginia at the Grand Hotel.

GC: What was your particular job as a Sergeant.

Lovekin: Well our job was to maintain the integrity of all the lines, to make sure they weren't tapped – to make sure that whatever he said was either recorded or not recorded correctly.

GC: And how many people would be in a group working around him to perform this job.

Lovekin: Probably was many as 4 or 5. Sometimes there would be more, but that was generally the case. He felt comfortable with small groups and he was a great guy. He was terrific. I would have done anything for that man. He treated everyone with the utmost respect, and I think he was basically a man of integrity. He was a man who was very honest, which is a rare commodity. He would discuss his beliefs yes.

GC: Why do you think that there is a cover-up – why the President doesn't speak out about it? Like a lot of them say that their hands are tied. What's your gut feeling?

Lovekin: Well because so much of the authority was given away to private firms.

GC: Do you think that this was going on already in the Eisenhower administration?

Lovekin: Yes I do. When he said the main thing we have to fear is the military industrial complex, he wasn't kidding, and he had the subject matter we are talking about in mind. He was quite explicit about that.

Take a leap into hyperspace
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EVERY year, the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics awards prizes for the best papers presented at its annual conference. Last year's winner in the nuclear and future flight category went to a paper calling for experimental tests of an astonishing new type of engine. According to the paper, this hyperdrive motor would propel a craft through another dimension at enormous speeds. It could leave Earth at lunchtime and get to the moon in time for dinner. There's just one catch: the idea relies on an obscure and largely unrecognized kind of physics. Can they possibly be serious?

The AIAA is certainly not embarrassed. What's more, the US military has begun to cast its eyes over the hyperdrive concept, and a space propulsion researcher at the US Department of Energy's Sandia National Laboratories has said he would be interested in putting the idea to the test. And despite the bafflement of most physicists at the theory that supposedly underpins it, Pavlos

Mikellides, an aerospace engineer at the Arizona State University in Tempe who reviewed the winning paper, stands by the committee's choice. "Even though such features have been explored before, this particular approach is quite unique," he says.

Unique it certainly is. If the experiment gets the go-ahead and works, it could reveal new interactions between the fundamental forces of nature that would change the future of space travel. Forget spending six months or more holed up in a rocket on the way to Mars, a round trip on the hyperdrive could take as little as 5 hours. All our worries about astronauts' muscles wasting away or their DNA being irreparably damaged by cosmic radiation would disappear overnight. What's more the device would put travel to the stars within reach for the first time. But can the hyperdrive really get off the ground?

The answer to that question hinges on the work of a little-known German physicist. Burkhard Heim began to explore the hyperdrive propulsion concept in the 1950s as a spin-off from his attempts to heal the biggest divide in physics: the rift between quantum mechanics and Einstein's general theory of relativity.

Quantum theory describes the realm of the very small - atoms, electrons and elementary particles - while general relativity deals with gravity. The two theories are immensely successful in their separate spheres. The clash arises when it comes to describing the basic structure of space. In general relativity, space-time is an active, malleable fabric. It has four dimensions - three of space and one of time - that deform when masses are placed in them. In Einstein's formulation, the force of gravity is a result of the deformation of these dimensions. Quantum theory, on the other hand, demands that space is a fixed and passive stage, something simply there for particles to exist on. It also suggests that space itself must somehow be made up of discrete, quantum elements.

In the early 1950s, Heim began to rewrite the equations of general relativity in a quantum framework. He drew on Einstein's idea that the gravitational force emerges from the dimensions of space and time, but suggested that all fundamental forces, including electromagnetism, might emerge from a new, different set of dimensions. Originally he had four extra dimensions, but he discarded two of them believing that they did not produce any

forces, and settled for adding a new two-dimensional "sub-space" onto Einstein's four-dimensional space-time.

In Heim's six-dimensional world, the forces of gravity and electromagnetism are coupled together. Even in our familiar four-dimensional world, we can see a link between the two forces through the behavior of fundamental particles such as the electron. An electron has both mass and charge. When an electron falls under the pull of gravity its moving electric charge creates a magnetic field. And if you use an electromagnetic field to accelerate an electron you move the gravitational field associated with its mass. But in the four dimensions we know, you cannot change the strength of gravity simply by cranking up the electromagnetic field.

In Heim's view of space and time, this limitation disappears. He claimed it is possible to convert electromagnetic energy into gravitational and back again, and speculated that a rotating magnetic field could reduce the influence of gravity on a spacecraft enough for it to take off.

When he presented his idea in public in 1957, he became an instant celebrity. Wernher von Braun, the German engineer who at the time was leading the Saturn rocket program that later launched astronauts to the moon, approached Heim about his work and asked whether the expensive Saturn rockets were worthwhile. And in a letter in 1964, the German relativity theorist Pascual Jordan, who had worked with the distinguished physicists Max Born and Werner Heisenberg and was a member of the Nobel committee, told Heim that his plan was so important "that its successful experimental treatment would without doubt make the researcher a candidate for the Nobel prize".

But all this attention only led Heim to retreat from the public eye. This was partly because of his severe multiple disabilities, caused by a lab accident when he was still in his teens. But Heim was also reluctant to disclose his theory without an experiment to prove it. He never learned English because he did not want his work to leave the country. As a result, very few people knew about his work and no one came up with the necessary research funding. In 1958 the aerospace company Bölkow did offer some money, but not enough to do the proposed experiment.

While Heim waited for more money to come in, the company's director, Ludwig Bölkow, encouraged

him to develop his theory further. Heim took his advice, and one of the results was a theorem that led to a series of formulae for calculating the masses of the fundamental particles - something conventional theories have conspicuously failed to achieve. He outlined this work in 1977 in the Max Planck Institute's journal *Zeitschrift für Naturforschung*, his only peer-reviewed paper. In an abstruse way that few physicists even claim to understand, the formulae work out a particle's mass starting from physical characteristics, such as its charge and angular momentum.

Yet the theorem has proved surprisingly powerful. The standard model of physics, which is generally accepted as the best available theory of elementary particles, is incapable of predicting a particle's mass. Even the accepted means of estimating mass theoretically, known as lattice quantum chromodynamics, only gets to between 1 and 10 per cent of the experimental values.

Gravity reduction

But in 1982, when researchers at the German Electron Synchrotron (DESY) in Hamburg implemented Heim's mass theorem in a computer program, it predicted masses of fundamental particles that matched the measured values to within the accuracy of experimental error. If they are let down by anything, it is the precision to which we know the values of the fundamental constants. Two years after Heim's death in 2001, his long-term collaborator Illobrand von Ludwiger calculated the mass formula using a more accurate gravitational constant. "The masses came out even more precise," he says.

After publishing the mass formulae, Heim never really looked at hyperspace propulsion again. Instead, in response to requests for more information about the theory behind the mass predictions, he spent all his time detailing his ideas in three books published in German. It was only in 1980, when the first of his books came to the attention of a retired Austrian patent officer called Walter Dröscher, that the hyperspace propulsion idea came back to life. Dröscher looked again at Heim's ideas and produced an "extended" version, resurrecting the dimensions that Heim originally discarded. The result is "Heim-Dröscher space", a mathematical description of an eight-dimensional universe.

From this, Dröscher claims, you can derive the four forces known in physics: the gravitational and

electromagnetic forces, and the strong and weak nuclear forces. But there's more to it than that. "If Heim's picture is to make sense," Dröscher says, "we are forced to postulate two more fundamental forces." These are, Dröscher claims, related to the familiar gravitational force: one is a repulsive anti-gravity similar to the dark energy that appears to be causing the universe's expansion to accelerate. And the other might be used to accelerate a spacecraft without any rocket fuel.

This force is a result of the interaction of Heim's fifth and sixth dimensions and the extra dimensions that Dröscher introduced. It produces pairs of "gravitophotons", particles that mediate the interconversion of electromagnetic and gravitational energy. Dröscher teamed up with Jochem Häuser, a physicist and professor of computer science at the University of Applied Sciences in Salzgitter, Germany, to turn the theoretical framework into a proposal for an experimental test. The paper they produced, "Guidelines for a space propulsion device based on Heim's quantum theory", is what won the AIAA's award last year.

Claims of the possibility of "gravity reduction" or "anti-gravity" induced by magnetic fields have been investigated by NASA before (New Scientist, 12 January 2002, p 24). But this one, Dröscher insists, is different. "Our theory is not about anti-gravity. It's about completely new fields with new properties," he says. And he and Häuser have suggested an experiment to prove it.

This will require a huge rotating ring placed above a superconducting coil to create an intense magnetic field. With a large enough current in the coil, and a large enough magnetic field, Dröscher claims the electromagnetic force can reduce the gravitational pull on the ring to the point where it floats free. Dröscher and Häuser say that to completely counter Earth's pull on a 150-tonne spacecraft a magnetic field of around 25 tesla would be needed. While that's 500,000 times the strength of Earth's magnetic field, pulsed magnets briefly reach field strengths up to 80 tesla. And Dröscher and Häuser go further. With a faster-spinning ring and an even stronger magnetic field, gravitophotons would interact with conventional gravity to produce a repulsive anti-gravity force, they suggest.

Dröscher is hazy about the details, but he suggests that a spacecraft fitted with a coil and ring could be propelled into a multidimensional hyperspace.

Here the constants of nature could be different, and even the speed of light could be several times faster than we experience. If this happens, it would be possible to reach Mars in less than 3 hours and a star 11 light years away in only 80 days, Dröscher and Häuser say.

So is this all fanciful nonsense, or a revolution in the making? The majority of physicists have never heard of Heim theory, and most of those contacted by *New Scientist* said they couldn't make sense of Dröscher and Häuser's description of the theory behind their proposed experiment. Following Heim theory is hard work even without Dröscher's extension, says Markus Pössel, a theoretical physicist at the Max Planck Institute for Gravitational Physics in Potsdam, Germany. Several years ago, while an undergraduate at the University of Hamburg, he took a careful look at Heim theory. He says he finds it "largely incomprehensible", and difficult to tie in with today's physics. "What is needed is a step-by-step introduction, beginning at modern physical concepts," he says.

The general consensus seems to be that Dröscher and Häuser's theory is incomplete at best, and certainly extremely difficult to follow. And it has not passed any normal form of peer review, a fact that surprised the AIAA prize reviewers when they made their decision. "It seemed to be quite developed and ready for such publication," Mikellides told *New Scientist*.

At the moment, the main reason for taking the proposal seriously must be Heim theory's uncannily successful prediction of particle masses. Maybe, just maybe, Heim theory really does have something to contribute to modern physics. "As far as I understand it, Heim theory is ingenious," says Hans Theodor Auerbach, a theoretical physicist at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich who worked with Heim. "I think that physics will take this direction in the future."

It may be a long while before we find out if he's right. In its present design, Dröscher and Häuser's experiment requires a magnetic coil several metres in diameter capable of sustaining an enormous current density. Most engineers say that this is not feasible with existing materials and technology, but Roger Lenard, a space propulsion researcher at Sandia National Laboratories in New Mexico thinks it might just be possible. Sandia runs an X-ray generator known as the Z machine which "could

probably generate the necessary field intensities and gradients".

For now, though, Lenard considers the theory too shaky to justify the use of the Z machine. "I would be very interested in getting Sandia interested if we could get a more perspicacious introduction to the mathematics behind the proposed experiment," he says. "Even if the results are negative, that, in my mind, is a successful experiment."

Who was Burkhard Heim?

Burkhard Heim had a remarkable life. Born in 1925 in Potsdam, Germany, he decided at the age of 6 that he wanted to become a rocket scientist. He disguised his designs in code so that no one could discover his secret. And in the cellar of his parents' house, he experimented with high explosives. But this was to lead to disaster.

Towards the end of the second world war, he worked as an explosives developer, and an accident in 1944 in which a device exploded in his hands left him permanently disabled. He lost both his forearms, along with 90 per cent of his hearing and eyesight.

After the war, he attended university in Göttingen to study physics. The idea of propelling a spacecraft using quantum mechanics rather than rocket fuel led him to study general relativity and quantum mechanics. It took an enormous effort. From 1948, his father and wife replaced his senses, spending hours reading papers and transcribing his calculations onto paper. And he developed a photographic memory.

Supporters of Heim theory claim that it is a panacea for the troubles in modern physics. They say it unites quantum mechanics and general relativity, can predict the masses of the building blocks of matter from first principles, and can even explain the state of the universe 13.7 billion years ago.

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March/April, 2006: Metaphors of Contact

I recently spent a considerable amount of time reading about the Fermi Paradox, and the corresponding "Zoo Hypothesis"⁽ⁱ⁾. Specifically, the Fermi Paradox asks why we do not see the aliens, given the conclusion that they must be visiting us as the numbers calculated by the Drake Equation suggest. The theory referred to as "the Zoo Hypothesis" is one potential solution to the Fermi Paradox. This theory argues that they are indeed visiting us. However, their primary activity is covert observation, to monitor us without being seen. They would seldom leave evidence of their presence, unless such artifacts were somehow important to their plan. Only in the most extreme cases would they overtly make their presence known.

So, what is the relationship between them, and us, and how can we apply this metaphor to the various aspects of the UFO/CE4 phenomenon? In my view, an excellent metaphor is an extension of the Zoo Hypothesis, such that we imagine Earth as not just a zoo, but as a managed preserve, or national park, what I call the "National Park" or "Nature Preserve" (NP) Metaphor. In this analogy, we can think of our world as a "wilderness preserve", which is carefully monitored by E.T. "rangers". As in nature preserves set aside by human society, the purpose of such a reserve would presumably be scientific study as well as preservation of the ecology and the species residing there. To the residents of the nature preserve (the wild animals) the presence of the Watchers⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ would be largely transparent. The animals perceive what appears to be a natural environment.

In this metaphor, in a manner similar to the animals in a nature preserve, terrestrial life would be managed and studied, but essentially, would remain "wild". They would have little idea of what actually goes on behind the scenes, what the E.T. "rangers" are actually doing.

In "wild" parks such as the national parks and forests of the USA, naturalists flying overhead, or otherwise covertly approaching, routinely observe the animals. However, in any wildlife management program, a certain amount of careful, covert "contact" occurs in order to conduct scientific study and population management. On occasion, animals

are captured (abducted), studied, banded and released. This gives the naturalists ongoing data about the health and status of the animal population. Yet the process leaves the animals relatively unharmed; only briefly interfering with their lives.

Yet when such "contact" with rangers does occur, we can imagine that to the animal under study, it is of very high strangeness. Two-legged beings in flying machines have little place in the world of the wolf or elk. Such tremendous levels of fear on the part of the animal, which has been rendered helpless and subjected to an experience of which it has little or no understanding. Like the UFO abductee in our human world, a wolf that had been darted and briefly captured might have some hair-raising stories to tell.

In this metaphor we imagine our E.T. Visitors in the role of the naturalists who actively manage us in our wild, nature-preserve Earth. Frequently, for their management of the preserve, these alien "rangers" need additional data, or otherwise need to briefly intervene in the lives of their charges. Thus, just like human naturalists, they need to fly in, pick up one or more human "animals" and do their scientific activities. They then release the humans, confused but generally no worse for the wear. To the human residents of the Earth-Nature-Preserve, this intervention would appear as the phenomenon known as UFO abduction.

Other aspects of the naturalist/NP metaphor have their parts in the CE4 phenomenon as well. Whereas park rangers or wildlife biologists attach bands or radio collars to track animals by radar or satellite, we also have reports of abductees receiving implants⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾. Abductees are often under the impression that these are tracking/monitoring devices – continuously monitoring the status and whereabouts of the abductee.

Abductees also describe how the CE4 phenomenon seems to follow family lineages^(iv). Perhaps this is analogous to the wildlife biologist who monitors successive generations of wolves for wildlife management purposes. This might be to monitor evolution, fertility, behavior, and/or survival trends, a multigenerational research endeavor. Perhaps we are being studied, or even influenced, in an analogous way to the elk, wolves and bears of our own parks.

Limits of the NP Metaphor

Is the nature-preserve hypothesis a complete picture of the human/alien relationship? I doubt that it contains the whole answer. But like any metaphor of contact, it provides a conceptual tool to help frame our understanding of the Visitors. Their motivations and their paradigms of life are undoubtedly much more advanced, just as ours are far beyond those of the wild animals of the nature preserve. So while not the whole story, the NP Metaphor might just offer us an important piece of the puzzle.

Another aspect of the CE4 phenomenon that also seems to defy the NP analogy is the apparent genetics/hybridization program described by experiencers. But again we can ask whether this could be part of some form of E.T. research or "wildlife management" plan (we will discuss the genetic aspects of abduction later in this chapter).

Occasionally the UFO phenomenon displays behavior which is very much at variance with what we would expect from E.T. "naturalists" conducting research. UFO intrusions into military airspace, the appearance of one or more UFOs over urban areas^(v) and similar cases in which the phenomenon seems to take a higher profile, all would imply that this interaction is somehow more than simply scientific study. Or is it? Could these events simply be further examples in themselves, of some form of scientific study, which we do not yet understand? Could these events simply be the surface manifestations of a more covert effort to manage the nature preserve?

In future articles, we will look at abduction reports and ask how aspects of these may fit these models. While we can devise many other possible paradigms and metaphors to help us understand this strange phenomenon, the NP metaphor seems to offer us one of the most interesting and informative working models of the possible motives behind the UFO/CE4 phenomenon.

(i)The Zoo Hypothesis is defined as the theory that E.T. visitors are observing and covertly managing humanity. It is described on the website:
<http://www.physics.hku.hk/~tboyce/sfseti/53sociable.html>

(ii)One name often used in referring to the Visitors is "The Watchers". See Raymond Fowler's book "The Watchers" for a development of this idea.

(iii)Books on alleged implants during UFO abduction experiences, written by Dr. Roger K. Leir: -"Casebook: Alien Implants" (Whitley Strieber's Hidden Agendas series)

-*"The Aliens and the Scalpel : Scientific Proof of Extraterrestrial Implants in Humans"*

(iv)References to family line relationships among abductees are found in books such as Raymond Fowler's "The Watchers", and David Jacobs book "Secret Life"

(v)Budd Hopkins, "Witnessed", Pocket Books, 1997. Describes an apparent spectacular display of the UFO presence occurred in New York, in an event which Budd Hopkins describes in his book.

Cannon Airforce Base UFO Incident - Special Report By Brian Vike Dir. of HBCC UFO Research, 10-20-4 <http://www.hbccufo.com>

This UFO incident took place in 1976 over and around the Cannon Airforce Base which is located a few miles outside of Clovis New Mexico and was witnessed by a student of Journalism.

Bruce, who works for a major media outlet, witnessed the objects, and the jet aircraft that persued them, and who was fortunate to capture one of these objects on film.

A little background on Bruce around the time the incident took place:

Bruce was working in the news department at Channel 3, the PBS station in Portales, New Mexico. In addition to working at the PBS station he held a couple of part time jobs with two of the local radio stations as well. At that time money was an issue due to Bruce being a college student. Working at the different media outlets it was giving him the experience he needed for his upcoming career in Journalism. One of the overnight jobs Bruce had was in Clovis, New Mexico at KMTY FM 99.1 which was at that time one of the 100 thousand watt radio stations in the country.

First Night's Encounter With Unknown Objects

On January 21, 1976 Bruce received a call from the radio station manager to see if he would mind working as the station was going to do some performance checks on the transmitter. Bruce would stay out at a remote location where some of the station's equipment was located. This is how Bruce ended up at the right time, and the right place, to see the events that were about to unfold in front of him in the skies above.

A side note to this story is that Bruce was also a storm spotter for West Texas and Eastern New Mexico. Bruce was given a small kit which held a pair of binoculars, a note pad and a bunch of telephone numbers that he could call if a storm was spotted coming through the area.

Bruce had spent a lot of time at Cannon Airforce Base as he was in the civil air patrol. At that time his senior flight instructor had given him his primary flight lessons. Being on the base, and not in the military, Bruce had become friends with a lot of the base personnel. Since he worked at one of the local radio stations he would play requests that were called in from the base security and night maintenance. He got to know them all very well.

Bruce mentioned that Cannon was located between the University of Portales and Clovis and it was common to see the F-111's and Aardvarks taking off from the base with full afterburners carrying out nighttime flight operations.

Bruce arrived and was sitting in his truck at the location of the transmitter. While waiting for the phone to ring in the transmitter shack he noticed a number of pin-point lights popping up in the sky which appeared to look like light-bulbs on a string. Two of them dropped downward until they reached a lower altitude, stopped and hovered. The lights were seen between his location and the Airforce Base at this time. While watching these strange objects Bruce grabbed the pair of binoculars he had with him. He describes the two lower lights as the classic saucer shaped craft and they had a bluish glow to them with a red radiant glow on the bottom side of the craft. A small dome shape could easily be seen at the top of each of the two objects. In his estimation he believes the objects may have been at least 30 to 50 in diameter. The two objects were hovering parallel to one another and then started to move off at a slow rate of speed in perfect formation heading towards the Airforce base.

Bruce said he followed them with his binoculars for approximately 15 minutes. The objects flew past a number of buildings which were at the edge of the base and they proceeded to climb in altitude as to where they again looked like a small light in the clear night sky. Bruce said it looked as if the lights on, and in, the buildings were dimming due to the objects being in close proximity.

Later after talking to base personnel, this proved to be true, the lights had dimmed, and the objects

were noticed by the base personnel. Bruce usually carried a small camera with him but on this day he had not brought it with him.

Bruce called the station as he was excited to talk about what he had just witnessed. Some of the other people at the station had also been watching the events unfold that night. Through Channel 3's connections they heard that the objects were widely seen by many that night and by the state police. An article was written on the objects seen that January.

Second Night's Encounter With Unknown Objects.

The next evening Bruce had gathered together a few people from the newsroom. Since Bruce was staying in a dorm on campus he knew a good number of folks on campus. He was able to get the keys for the door to the roof so Bruce and his friends could sit up on top of the building's roof to watch the skies just in case something should return. Although a cool night, the group stood watching. This time Bruce did bring the camera.

At approximately 12:45 a.m. four objects dropped down from the night sky and started darting around. (This is where Bruce was finally able to capture an image of one of the crafts on black and white film.) As the people observed the objects, the Airforce Base had scrambled the F-111's jet fighters out of Cannon. The jet aircraft began trying to intercept the objects. As the aircraft got close to the vicinity of the unknown objects, the objects, at an incredible rate of speed, would shoot across the sky making 90 degree turns leaving the fighter aircraft trailing way behind as they just weren't able to keep up with the strange craft. As the objects made unusual turns a plasma type glow could clearly be witnessed by the group of people watching the event.

The cat and mouse chase between the objects and jets went on for approximately 45 minutes. Because the witnesses were on one of the tallest buildings in Portales, New Mexico, they could clearly see the flight-line at the Base. One of the men had brought a 150 power telescope which enabled the fellows to see the objects fly at a low altitude over the flight-line. As the objects passed over the lights running down the flight line, all the lights went out.

Eventually the objects shot up and were gone in a second, or so, and the F-111's were recalled back to the Base and landed safely.

Bruce told me that a couple days after the second night sighting of the objects a couple of the Base security personnel had called and explained how the lights went out over the entire base. Of course, Bruce was asking a lot of questions at this point. The security officer from the Base told Bruce that everyone at the Cannon AFB were freaking out as they did not know what these objects were. Also the security officer said that the Cannon base was bringing in new light towers from a SAC base in North Dakota to place on the flight line. The security officer told Bruce to keep an eye on the base as it would be really lit up after the new lighting was installed. A few days later the AFB was lit up brightly. Bruce talked to another military man from the base who said that the base had radar tape of the objects from both nights but certainly did not want Bruce to mention where the information came from.

Because there were others who were there who witnessed the events that took place over the Cannon Airforce Base I will be attempting to contact these witnesses to gather their reports on the event. One other important bit of information to this case is that there is a Freedom Of Information Act document to say that jet aircraft were scrambled out of the Cannon Airforce Base that evening in 1976. Although there has been no explanation as to why, this still gives us a valuable clue that something very unusual took place that night.

Update: After Bruce went public with his story on the Jeff Rense national radio program, he and his family were threatened. Bruce called me on July 20, 2004, after he appeared on the Jeff Rense radio program with me on Friday - July 16, 2004, when he told what he saw over the Cannon Airforce Base back in January 21, 1976. Bruce told me on the air that he had taken a black and white photograph of one of the objects that had been observed out-maneuvering the jet aircraft which were scrambled from the Cannon AFB. On July 20, 2004 at approximately 1:30 a.m. Bruce had a disturbing telephone call from an unknown person and the report on this is below.

Bruce wanted to point out to me that he does carry two cell phones with him at all times. One is for business, etc.. and the other is for personal business to keep in contact with family and close friends. He stated that no one had his private cell number as it was not listed and the only people that had this number were his wife, children, and some close

friends. His children are grown up and now living on their own. Bruce kept his cell phones on the night table. His work phone turned off, but the private phone turned on, just in case one of his children might need to contact him in case of an emergency.

As I mentioned above, it was around 1:30 a.m., Bruce and his wife had turned in for the night and were sound asleep when his cell phone started ringing. Knowing that he had his work cell phone turned off he knew it was a call from one of his children, and of course being a parent, he worried as he grabbed for the phone. Bruce answered with a hello and a voice spoke back saying, "Mr. Bruce (last name). Bruce said there was a very professional sounding gentleman on the other end. The man said he needed to talk to him about a matter of utmost urgency! Bruce still half asleep asked the man who he was, what was this call was all about, especially at this hour of the morning. The fellow said this is about your recent radio appearance and discussion about some photographs that you took back in New Mexico.

At this point in the conversation Bruce said to the man, "you have to be kidding me," thinking this had to be some kind of hoax, asked who was this. The man said there is no need for you to know who I am. He went on to say, "it would be in your best interest to discontinue this line of discussion and do away with those photographs. Destroy them!"

Bruce at this point is in shock about this man. He looks on the cell phone to see what phone number is displayed and it shows "number not available". The man told Bruce that "this is no joke and 'we' feel that this would be in your best interest, and for the sake of your family, that all of this go away."

Bruce told the man that if he wasn't willing to reveal himself then the conversation would be terminated. The man then went on to tell Bruce what his children were involved in, meaning their daily activities, where they lived, etc., what Bruce's wife was doing, such as personal activities within the family, etc.. and said that he could fax Bruce his life's history within a few seconds. That was it, Bruce hung up and that ended the call with the stranger.

After this incident took place and some weeks had gone by, a neighbor of Bruce's caught up with him outside one day and told him that they had been seeing a lot of traffic in and out of Bruce's property.

Cars would pull up and stay for a while and then drive off. Other times the cars would pull into the driveway, stop, and men would get out and walk around the home. Then they got back into their cars and drove off. These cars that were coming and going had government license plates on them.

One other interesting fact to this story is that Bruce put together a package for me, Jeff Rense, George Filer and Peter Davenport. In this package there was a copy of the photo he had taken over the AFB. Bruce mailed out the packages to us all and not one of us have received the information. Bruce says he is going to try again and send it through a different means. I hope once I receive the material I can update this story.

So that is where this story stands right now. I would like to extend my many thanks to Bruce for coming forward with his story.

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I'd like to offer the following thoughts on preparing for contact. It seems to me that preparing for ET contact requires a multi-pronged approach but has one basic requirement, that is, to change our world view.

Changing peoples world views to accept ETs into their reality is an extremely big challenge. UFO researchers have always underestimated just how difficult it would be and in their ignorance they've often become frustrated by it. The biggest part of the UFO subject that has been almost overlooked is the psychology behind it all.

Whether people are witnesses or experiencers and have to deal with their world view being changed unexpectedly by a sighting or encounter, whether it's researchers who work hard to dig up evidence so as to present proof and gasp when people ignore it, or whether it's the general population who accept or reject what their own eye balls see or their own

mind tells them is true. From my standpoint, it's all about the psychology.

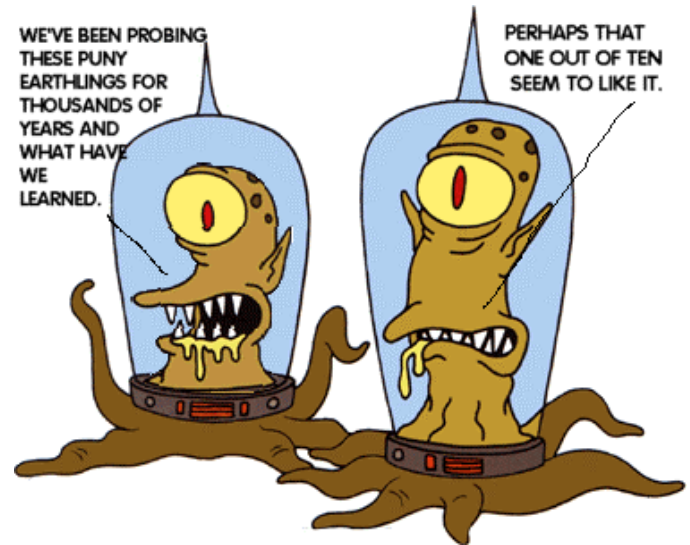
People's minds have been conditioned to think one way and social pressures perpetuate that conditioning. Windows of opportunity into the human psyche are fleeting at best. When they open in the public mind the UFO community needs to be ready. We need:

- (1) To understand that peer group pressure never ceases no matter what age or status we attain in life;
- (2) To educate ourselves about the triggers that shut people down towards the UFO subject so that we might then understand what will open the public mind to the subject;
- (3) To change public perception from the notion that if one goes down the UFO "path" one will have everything to lose, to the idea that one will have everything to gain;
- (4) To help individuals transcend the status quo;
- (5) To cease perpetuating an 'us versus them' attitude towards general society. Create a compassionate approach to ignorance and fear of the UFO subject rather than intolerance. We are all in this together and great change will not come about until more bring it about together;
- (6) To help those who are ready to change their world view find a 'new home' and place to belong in an inclusive and friendly environment.

We have greatly underestimated what needs to be done in order to bring about a true and lasting change of attitude towards the UFO subject including educating ourselves about the human psyche, particularly if we are ever going to break through it.

We need to do some changing ourselves and accept that the UFO phenomenon is just as much about humanity as it is about ETs. Doing so might just throw some light on the real barriers we are up against. Australian biologist Jeremy Griffith states in his book *A Species In Denial*, "the problem may very well be the need for psychological rehabilitation of the western mind" and that might just be the real challenge for the UFO community after all.

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Minnesota UFO Reports (Pending Investigations)

Minnesota Jet Like Plane Hovers
Eagan, MN

Date: January 10, 2006

Full Description of event/sighting:

On January 10, 2006 I was lying in bed and a pulsating star-like object was moving from over a tree into plain sight. I determined it definitely was too close to be a satellite and moving excessively fast. It was kind of pulsating a faint blue and red color. Then the jet like plane thing came to a dead stop and continued to hover to the right and up and down. I, then, awakened my sister and my girl friend. We then noticed another of the same thing farther left and a lot lower. This one was more active and we watched it hover down then to the right and then straight up. They both hovered around for about two hours, then the left. One went really far to the right and disappeared. We continued to watch the one remaining until all of a sudden what is typically the description of a UFO flew really low to the ground and not extremely far from my house. It was bright with lights lighting up the sky and it was actually quiet. The other craft after that flew rather slowly out of sight.

Minnetonka, MN

Date of event: Nov. 2005

Description of event:

Oblong object in the sky, seemed to be illuminated, with blinking lights. Two witnesses.

Maple Lake, MN

Date of event: April 1990

Description of event:

At approx. 5 AM , with very clear skies, a large, round object, with blue/green flame, spinning and rotating. Three witnesses.

Eagan, MN

Date of event: Nov. 2005

Description of event:

A glowing light, bright, changed directions, seen while traveling in car, then still seen for 1/2 hour or longer from home. Two witnesses.

Location: Cabin Resort near Cohasset, MN

Date: July 10, 2005

Time: 10:30 p.m.

Number of witnesses: 1

Full Description of event/sighting:

While staying at a cabin resort with relatives and friends, I had occasion to walk from one cabin to the other alone at about 10:30 p.m. There are many tall trees at this resort and when I looked up at the clear night sky between the trees, I saw a vehicle of some sort passing over head. The vehicle made absolutely no sound, which made me question it being an airplane. It consisted of three, bright white lights in a triangular formation and it moved fairly slowly across the sky. Its altitude appeared to me to be only a few thousand feet. I could not see its body shape per se because of the darkness. I was able to watch it pass over head for about ten or fifteen seconds before it became obscured by the trees. One odd thing about it was that it had no flashing or colored lights. I may be wrong but, I believe aircraft are required to have flashing and colored lights for safety reasons.

Minnesota silver object

Lino Lakes, MN

Date: February 6, 2006

Time: 2:30 PM

Full Description of event/sighting:

It was a very clear day on February 6, 2006, when I looked up at 2:30 PM, to see a silver round oval object at about 40,000 to 50,000 feet. It hovered

for about a minute then just darted straight up and into space. I have never seen anything like it before. Thanks to Peter Davenport, Dir. www.ufocenter.com.

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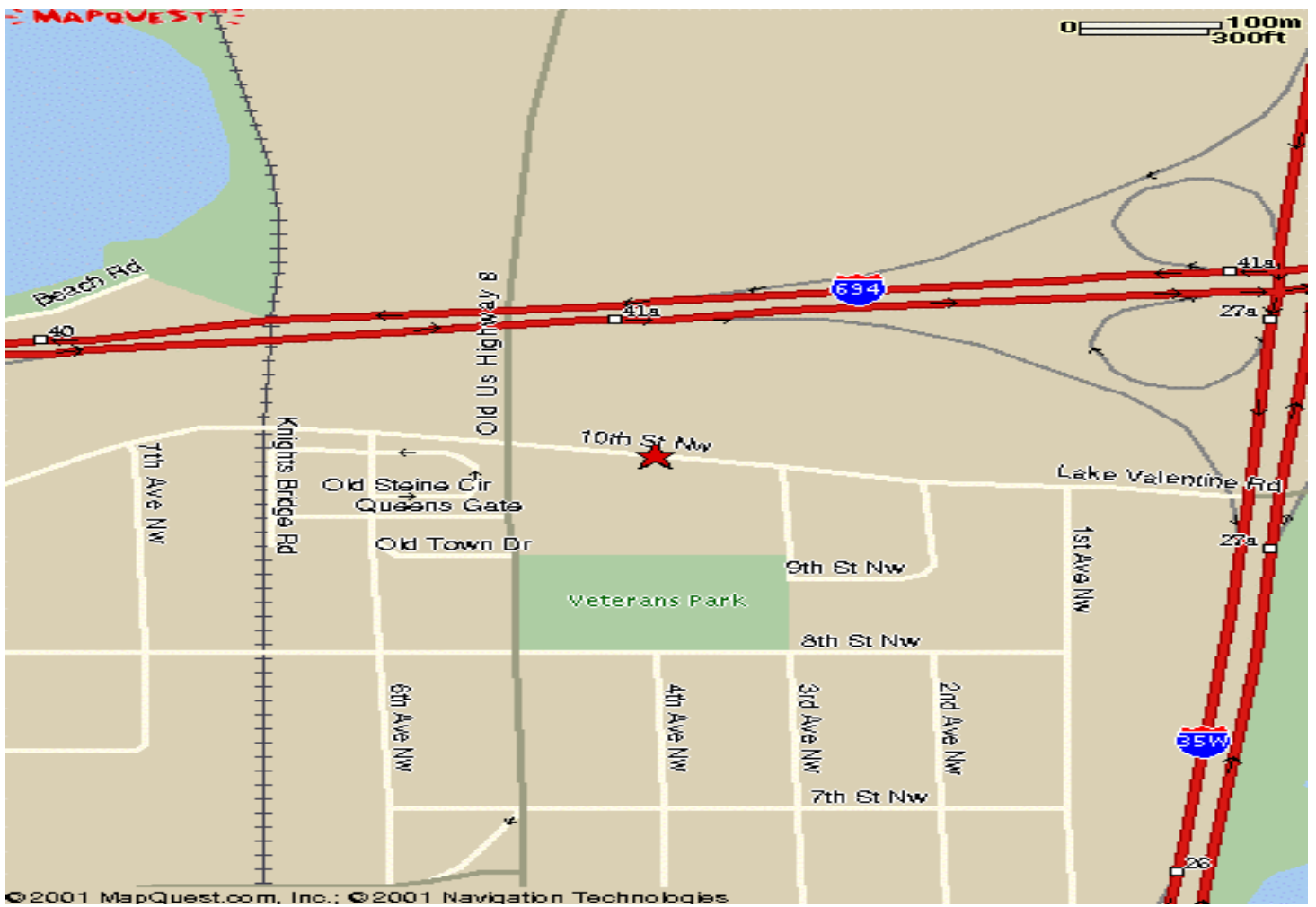
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