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Flying Saucer - Aircraft Encounters **By Dick Moss, MN MUFON State Dir.**

A disturbing component of the UFO problem regards encounters of UFOs and aircraft. The Thomas Mantell case over Fort Knox and the George Gorman case over Fargo are well-known to both ufologists and casual readers of the subject. In Gorman's case it was said that, at one point, he considered the idea of heading straight for the object and ejecting from his P-51 immediately before the plane would then collide with the flying saucer. This did not sit well with the military brass because the incident took place over the north edge of Fargo and there were farm homes close by. Luckily for Gorman, and perhaps some others, the object sped away before he could carry out his plan. One has to wonder what the flying saucer's occupants might have concluded about Gorman's decision. In those days the idea of thought transference between humans and aliens was unknown but we can now assume that the intelligence controlling the object could have been "reading Gorman's mind" during the dogfight.

Over the years additional stories of pilot encounters have appeared in the literature and nowadays we can watch pilot testimonials on TV programs, namely those that are shown on the History and SciFi channels.

An encounter quite the opposite of Gorman's occurred during October, 1954 when Flight-Lieutenant James Salandin was piloting a Gloster Meteor 8 twin-jet fighter plane. Unless the crew on board the flying saucer were blind, their behavior was very aggressive. Sandalin was about three miles up when he saw a large object in front of him on a head-on collision course. It was double-convex shaped with half-spheres on both the top and bottom. The saucer avoided a collision by swerving off to the left side of the Meteor. Salandin later realized he had a loaded camera on the plane but did not have time to snap a picture.

What follows are a few very brief flying saucer - aircraft encounter cases that illustrate the varied forms of UFOs and maneuvers that can occur.

Three red ovals paced plane, were tracked on radar, then climbed out at high speed. A green ellipse paced a plane with electromagnetic effects on instruments noted. An object buzzed a plane, sped away, and photos were confiscated. Three round objects changed their relative positions to each other as they moved. A yellow object darted back and forth, hovered, and sped away. A glowing object ejected six small cigar-shaped objects. When a fighter plane was sent to investigate a black cylinder in a vertical position the object disappeared. A bright glowing sphere paced a plane and sped away



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accompanied by E-M effects. A disk having a dome on top maneuvered near a plane, flew up and down, made sharp turns and was confirmed by radar, An elliptical-shaped object buzzed a helicopter and lit up its interior with a green color. A pyramid-shaped object, tracked by FAA radar, flew alongside a plane and then shot up out of sight. Five glowing red objects circled a plane for an hour off the coast of California. A cigar-shaped object was accompanied by five small spherical objects. A disk was seen entering the base of a thunderhead cloud. A jet fighter plane's electrical system failed while attempting to intercept a UFO over Iran. A white object paced a plane for twenty minutes, left a contrail and a green smoke ring when it departed. A large object emitted small satellite objects and the plane's radio failed until the satellite objects re-entered the large object and departed. A white oval with red lights around its edge circled a plane and turbulence was felt by the crew. A silver disk with ports around the edge maneuvered in front of a jumbo jet. A double globular object flew beneath a plane, made instant course reversals, heavy turbulence was felt and the altimeter malfunctioned. A huge Saturn-shaped object maneuvered near a plane, made sudden position changes and was confirmed by radar. One ring-shaped and two rectangular objects moved erratically with the ring emitting a red blaze of light. A round missile-shaped object only three meters long crossed the path of a descending airline.

Richard Hall's book, *The UFO Evidence - Volume II*, is the source for the above paragraph. Consult pages 115 - 128 for these and additional brief descriptions of UFO - aircraft encounters. The entire 680-page book, published in 1991, is easily in the top ten of books written about UFOs.

TED PHILLIPS

By Lorna Hunter, MN MUFON Field Inv.

Ted Phillips is a man of many talents. He is an engineer, professional musician, professional photographer, professional race car driver, speleologist, etc., etc., etc. ...Yet, in his spare time, he has amassed UFO trace evidence cases that number over 3100 and come from 91 different countries.

Ted's first love was of music, and at the tender age of 18 he had already played drums on several records at the Sun Records studios; with Jerry Lee

Lewis recording down the hall. He then moved to Chicago and played with Bob Scobey's Frisco Jazz Band. He is currently in the process of putting together a band of his own in Branson. The former jazz musician is going back to his roots of 1950's, 60's, & 70's rock and roll, and R&B.

This professional photographer also collects antique wooden cameras, having several from the 1800's, and he uses them! They range in size from giant studio cameras to hand held. The producer of a Tom Cruise movie, set in the 1800's, contacted Ted and asked for advice on the proper camera to use for that era. Ted sold them the camera that was used in the film.

Race car driver? Yes, he races sprint cars and midjets. He's looking forward to getting into a stock car this year because "dirt tracks are more exciting at 140mph." If that wasn't excitement enough he spends weekends exploring caves.

Ted's investigations of UFOs began in 1964, with the Lonny Zamora case in Socorro, NM. He contacted J. Allen Hynek in 1968 with a multiple witness case involving photos and trace evidence. When the two met, Ted gave Allen all of the cases he had investigated between 1964 and 1968. Two weeks later Ted was invited to Chicago where he spent two days with Allen Hynek, Jaques Vallee, and Fred Beckman. It was during this meeting that Ted was asked to join their "Invisible College." Allen also asked Ted to specialize in trace landings, which he continues to do. Allen, Vallee, and Ted met with the United Nations Secretary-General and addressed the UN assembly in 1977. Allen remained a close friend of Ted's until his death in 1986.

It is very fitting that we have Ted Phillips as our guest speaker on the 20th Anniversary of MUFON meetings in Minnesota. Ted was in on the formation of MUFON and spoke at the first MUFON UFO Conference. At that time his file of trace/landing events numbered 157 - it now contains 3,183 (and counting). You'll find Ted's trace evidence cases featured every month in the MUFON UFO Journal. Ted is also founder and director of the Center for Physical Trace Research, and he has appeared in many of the History Channel's "UFO Files" videos. Ted's presentation at our April 14th meeting will consist of several of his "high quality" cases, lots of images and some video. It should prove to be a very interesting afternoon!

The CE4 Corner
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Skeptics and Experiencers: Notes from MarsCon 2007

The first weekend of March, I conducted my annual series of lectures at the MarsCon SF convention. There, I also introduced my book, *The Cosmic Bridge*, to somewhat less than spectacular results. It seems that, when faced with the nonfiction of contact, most of the people I met quickly became skeptics. For many in the SF community, alien contact is OK, as long as it is only in science fiction. The prospect that it might be real is not acceptable.

The prevalence of skeptics within the SF community was surprising. I had envisioned science fiction fans as being more open to over-the-horizon ideas. Yet, I noted that many SF fans avoided the prospect of their fiction being real. Often, they seek out science fiction as an escape, rather than as a new avenue for exploration. Thus, alien contact is OK if it's fiction, but non-fictional contact is unacceptable. Klingons and Romulans are fine, Grays are not...

I discussed the idea of UFO encounters being real with several people at my table, as I was trying to sell copies of *The Cosmic Bridge*. To my relief, many were simply skeptical, in the truest sense of the word. They were open to new ideas, but UFOs being reality was beyond their ability to accept.

For most, there was no compelling reason to suspend disbelief. Overall, I consider this good - a healthy discernment is vital in today's world. When people tell me they are skeptical, I usually say "good, you should be." I would not expect anyone to believe in alien abduction, contact or even the reality of UFOs, unless they have reason to do so. I have said this often - usually adding an invitation to read material such as *The Sturrock Report*. This is usually enough to convince the open minded that there really is a legitimate mystery (though this says nothing about the nature or origin of UFOs). This is all we can ask, as we truly don't know much more than that, ourselves. While this argument didn't sell many books, it did open several rather skeptical visitors to my table to the possibility of UFO reality.

While most people were skeptical, I found that this year as in previous years, a core group of attendees was very interested in the topic of UFO encounters.

These folks were largely (but not entirely) experiencers. Indeed, I had done regressions with several of them in the past. I even arranged regression work with at least one person as a result of our conversations at the con.

I largely attend SF conventions to meet experiencers. I have noted that many UFO experiencers seek out science fiction as a way to cope with the reality-shattering influence of contact. In the Roper polls of unexplained experiences, the percentage of the population who may have had experiences is something less than one percent. Among the science fiction community, I have noted that a far greater percentage of attendees seem to be experiencers. Thus, again this year, my strategy of attending SF conventions was, at least in part, a success.

After my Friday evening lecture on UFO sightings in Minnesota and Wisconsin, a law enforcement officer came up to me to tell me of a sighting he had had several years before. Later that same evening, an experiencer, whom I had met on several earlier occasions, told me that she had had more experiences since I had last talked with her. Throughout the weekend, several more people took me aside to tell me of their encounters. For many, I was the first person they had talked to that accepted their accounts with a sympathetic ear.

Later that weekend, I had a chance to talk with another experiencer whom I had previously interviewed. This person told me that he had had several interesting experiences since we had last talked. However, he described them as positive - contacts rather than abductions. This person's events appeared to be similar to those of many other experiencers later on in their close encounter "careers."

Years earlier, when I conducted hypnotherapy with this man, I noted that the phenomenon had had a reality-shattering impact on him. Now that he had entered midlife, he did not seem to have the issues he had originally described. He seemed to have built his own unique and positive relationship with his experiences. I have noted that for many experiencers, these later-life events appear to be more positive, taking on a deeply spiritual, often metaphysical tone.

So was it worth it? Did I make any meaningful contributions to UFO research on that weekend? I probably did - and I provided a lifeline to at least

one experimenter in the process. Unfortunately, I didn't sell many books.

Chicago phenomenon rekindles UFO debate

**By DOM ARMENTANO, guest columnist,
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http://www.tcpalm.com/tcp/opinion_columnists/article/o,TCP_244_63_5358207_00.html

On Jan. 2, the Chicago Tribune did something extraordinary for a major newspaper: It ran a UFO story on its front page. The newspaper reported that in the late afternoon of Nov. 7, 2006, a gray, egg-shaped object was observed hovering over Gate C17 at Chicago O'Hare International Airport.

The object was unusually low (below the 1,900-foot overcast), remained visible for several minutes, and was observed by several mechanics and various United Airlines ground personnel. The object eventually disappeared straight up through the overcast by reportedly "punching a hole" through the clouds.

Observer descriptions of the object are remarkably consistent. It had no wings or lights. Its surface appeared metallic but with a soft luster that shone "like a pearl." Several witnesses reported a haze around the bottom of the object akin to heat waves off a hot road. One witness in an airport parking lot said that the object appeared to be spinning counter-clockwise. She also said that a small crowd of fellow observers were pointing up at the object and that several were taking pictures with digital cameras.

The Federal Aviation Administration first told the Chicago Tribune that it had no knowledge of the alleged incident but then quickly reversed its position after the newspaper filed a Freedom of Information Act request.

The agency now claims incredulously that the November sighting was some (unspecified) weather-related phenomenon. Sure.

Even more troubling, United Airlines continues to deny the incident entirely despite the fact that several of its employees maintain that they filed written reports on the sighting with their company, including drawings. United Airlines employees further state that they were instructed by their employer explicitly not to talk about the incident.

In defiance of the company gag order, however, one United mechanic told the Tribune: "It definitely was not an (Earth) aircraft."

UFOs are a 60-year-old mystery made even more mysterious by decades of absurd government denials that anything truly mysterious is going on. UFO proponents say we are seeing space ships from other worlds, while debunkers say eyewitness testimony is remarkably inaccurate and that almost all reports are misidentified natural phenomenon or man-made objects.

Who is right? Draw your own conclusions from just two of the earliest secret, official UFO government documents released under the Freedom of Information Act.

On Sept. 23, 1947 Gen. Nathan Twining, commanding general of the Air Material Command, sent a then-secret memorandum to Brig. Gen. George Schulgen at the Pentagon, stating that "The reported phenomenon (the flying disc) is something real and not visionary or fictitious. There are objects the shape of a disc ... with operating characteristics such as extreme rates of climb, maneuverability ... and action which must be considered evasive when sighted or contacted by friendly aircraft or radar.."

One month later, on Oct. 28, 1947, Lt Col. George Garrett prepared a so-called Intelligence Collection Memorandum for Air Force Intelligence which listed some commonly reported features of flying discs: "The ability to group together very quickly in a tight formation when more than one aircraft are together; evasive action ability indicates the possibility of being manually operated, or possibly by electronics or remote control; and under certain conditions the craft seems to have the ability to CUT A CLEAR PATH THROUGH CLOUDS ..."

It is apparent that technical analysts for military intelligence had concluded as early as fall 1947 that some "flying discs" were real, intelligently controlled, unexplainable objects that could be evasive and even cut a clear path through clouds, precisely like the reported disc-shaped object over O'Hare International Airport.

Will the Chicago UFO incident currently unfolding be the beginning of the end of the 60-year government cover-up?

Armentano, a Vero Beach resident who has published several books on antitrust policy and has written commentary and reviews for newspapers, magazines and journals on various public policy issues, has been following the UFO controversy for 40 years.

DIALOGUE WITH AN EXPERIENCER **By William I. McNeff**

I asked an experiencer whom I have known since 1989 for his opinion of what is really going on with ET. He, his wife and his three sons have reported multiple experiences with the familiar small gray aliens. He is very intelligent and is a computer expert, both hardware and software. I'll call him "Andy".

Andy: Bill, I think we need to get past the "we need more proof of alien contact". I'm about convinced there likely won't be an admission of any ET existence any more than we can ever change something simple, like the use of gasoline, and reveal alternative fuels and devices capable of replacing our crude fossil fuel systems that we power our cars and drive our world with. Our first attempt, nuclear power, has been a failure. The ET impact on society would be a million times greater than just say fuel, and that's not including the abduction connection. Word has it the aliens have in a small way experimentally introduced extremely efficient high tech energy generation devices and the devices have disappeared as well as the people involved with them. The oil czars who own and control the oil cartels are [extremely] clever...

I think what we need to know now [is] if religion is a psychological pacifier -- [if] in fact these seemingly interdimensional life forms are the creators and thus determine what man's real purpose is and how/why do we really cycle [from one life to another]...This is still hidden from us...

Bill: I have personally witnessed what I believe to be a miracle, and there have been at least a couple of apparent miracles in my wife's immediate family. So, to me, religion is not just a psychological pacifier, although it serves that purpose for many people. I believe religion can be and is a motivator to people to help others.

Andy: It really appears we're just another life form in the life-chain and have over rated and over-

valued our primitive existence...but why not, we're so stupid we (for the better part) think we're alone in the Universe. We deserve what we get I guess... I'm going way out on a limb and say we're just too primitive to be told the truth and be entrusted with the higher technologies in existence, and are better off living like ants and being farmed...

A small secret society appears to control the world, energy systems, and probably knows the truth. Have you seen any indication that energy will ever evolve past a crude 4 cycle 75% inefficient, grossly polluting gasoline engine...still essentially unchanged for 122 damn years. Refined, made quieter and more expensive but is the same thing essentially as Gottlieb Daimler built over a century ago.

I heard stories as a kid of men inventing devices to make a gasoline engines get 100 miles to the gallon only to have the patents destroyed before they ever went public. I'm inclined to believe these stories now. You have to look at our history, performance and how easily we're led, lied to and want to believe the prevaricators. The energy fiasco is a excellent example of how easily we can be and are manipulated...

Man at large is evil at heart, greedy and dangerous... Power & success breed greed, not virtues & values unfortunately... There's little evidence of change... maybe the aliens, or whatever they really are, can change us by selective breeding, but it's not likely. Their breeding program goes back thousands of years and has not been very effective if they indeed are even trying to help us at all. I think not...

I think further higher level mind experiments (hypnosis, meditation etc.) need [to] concentrate on who we are, where we came from, and where are we headed "existence wise" rather than spinning our wheels fighting an uphill, no-win battle of revealing the life forms above us to an easily-led public, who really only cares about the next SUV model and how big a flat screen television they can afford, how soon can they get a 5,000 square house. Most don't care, find it more comfortable to laugh at us and write us off as conspiracy paranoids. Believing simple explanations (for example) of the unknown such as "two old men Doug and Dave made all crop circles world-wide", end of story.

If the extraterrestrials do not care enough to reveal themselves to the masses and prefer to exploit us

rather than help, we're at their mercy, as we have been for probably thousands of years... Why would any of this change now...

Bill: There seems to be evidence that humans are changing or are being changed. This evidence is the purported existence of "star children" or "indigo children". One of our local members is a schoolteacher and believes she is seeing highly intelligent children, who take the existence of extraterrestrials for granted, and very often have "scoop marks" or round, indented scars on their faces. Craig Lang has more to say about this in his book 'The Cosmic Bridge'. These marks have been found on many people who have evidence that they have been abducted by non-human beings. I see no evidence that the extraterrestrials are exploiting us, although they may take certain minerals and foodstuffs from Earth from time to time.

A number of years ago there was a mysterious, overnight disappearance of a quantity of grain from a grain elevator at Sioux City, Iowa. This was apparently a one-time event and was never solved. It seems possible that aliens were involved, although the probability is admittedly low. There was also a case in Australia where a potato farmer received a letter with cash in it asking him to take a load of potatoes to a hill at a certain location. He did so, and a bright light descended on the hill, and when it left, the potatoes had disappeared! And here we thought the aliens only like strawberry ice cream!

**DUTCH ABDUCTION REPORTS MATCH
U.S. PATTERN by Filip Coppens**
<http://www.cfree.org/contact/Abduction/Cases/Case005.html>

*[A leading Dutch hypnotherapist, Hilda Musch, has shown that reports of apparent abduction among Dutch experiencers seem identical in every respect to such reports in the United States. This might come as a surprise to some European researchers who have previously claimed that reported abduction by "grey aliens" is primarily a U.S. phenomenon. ISCNI*Flash thanks Dutch journalist Filip Coppens for the following story. Filip is editor of the magazine "Frontier 2000" <http://www.fsf.nl/default.asp?url=Engels> and can be reached by email at: fsfilco@glo.be.]*

[March 1, 1996] -- At a recent UFO meeting in Holland, Dutch hypnotherapist Hilda Musch

presented an illustrated lecture on the abduction phenomenon. So far, she has counseled over 80 people whom she believes are abductees. Hilda asks her patients to draw what they saw, as a means of emotional release and coping with the situation. Her abductees see scenes and beings identical to what is reported in the American abduction literature: grey beings, with a taller being in control, ice-cold surroundings, "mindscans", baby- and fetus presentations, etc.

Hilda has drawings from children (the youngest she counseled was 4 years old) and adults. While there are obvious differences in style, all depict the same characteristics. Hilda showed how all, independent of one another, drew the "examination room," in which the abductee was examined, as a round enclosure with a large opening, a door, at one end. Above are two curved lines, a detail not mentioned frequently, but still drawn by a majority of people who had recollections of being in such a room.

Also at this lecture was a woman named Ine, an abductee. One evening, she was walking outside her house with her husband and other relatives. All saw a UFO arrive and disappear. Not all of them saw the UFO up close, but Ine and her sister-in-law did. At that time, Ine was four months pregnant. The day afterwards, when she got up, she noticed her belly was "small" again. Her husband believed that as the day progressed, it would "show pregnant" again; but it didn't. Therefore she consulted a doctor, who informed her she had been pregnant, but the baby was gone. The day before, she had also visited the doctor, who had confirmed the baby was alright. "I was really pregnant, and have documents to prove I was," Ine said. [If this is true, it would be one of the first fully documented instances of "missing fetus" associated with abduction. Though this claim is often heard, a number of researchers in the United States have tried without success to locate medical histories of pregnant women that clearly demonstrate a missing fetus under such conditions. - ed.]

Under hypnosis, Ine was able to remember certain details; a beam of light from the UFO touched her belly and "took" the baby away. She did not see any beings.

Ine had had children before, and one since who suffers from some form of mycosis. She believes this might be "abduction-related."

Holland is slowly but definitely learning about UFO abductions, mainly through the work of Hilda Musch, who wrote about the phenomenon in several magazines, including magazines for the clinical community.

Clinicians frequently refer clients to Hilda Musch whom they feel might be abductees.

Hilda Musch has no idea what the phenomenon might be about, but she does report that a majority of the abductees are told that "they" are "doing this" because of what we do with this planet. And that is a clear echo of what Professor John Mack has heard from American abductees.

TV show planned on hunt for Texas Bigfoot By Bill Hanna, Star-Telegram Staff Writer

<http://ufoexperiences.blogspot.com/2007/02/bigfoot-tv-show.html>

It was probably only a matter of time before someone came up with a Bigfoot reality-TV show.

And that time has apparently come.

Next month in the woods outside Paris, (Texas) a pilot will be filmed for the proposed series Capturing Bigfoot.

"You've got a hot spot out there in your back yard, a hot spot like no other," Bigfoot explorer Tom Biscardi, 58, said by telephone from Northern California. Biscardi, who retired from the insurance industry to pursue Bigfoot full time, has made the creature his life's work. On his Web site he sells Bigfoot DVDs, Bigfoot mugs, Bigfoot T-shirts and pewter Bigfoot belt buckles. He also hosts a weekly Internet radio show about all things Sasquatch.

He believes a Bigfoot family is living in old World War II Army bunkers buried on an abandoned portion of Camp Maxey north of Paris, near the Oklahoma border.

"I think it's a family pod," Biscardi said. "What we found is baby footprints next to a mother. This is the first time that has ever happened."

Not only is Biscardi participating in the TV pilot, but he is also inviting enthusiasts to go along. For \$375, anyone interested in finding "America's King Kong" can join him on a 24-hour expedition as part of the team trying to capture the elusive beast.

The news that a Bigfoot family is roaming the woods north of town was a surprise to Lamar County Judge Chuck Superville.

Nonetheless, the judge predicted that most residents in the predominantly rural county of 49,644 would welcome the attention, noting that Paris was abuzz recently over an episode of the CW Network's One Tree Hill being filmed in the area.

"It puts us on the map, which is good," Superville said. "I think Northeast Texas is a good place to live. It's a garden paradise."

Biscardi describes the 16,000-acre area around Camp Maxey -- part of which is still used as a Texas National Guard training center -- in more dramatic terms. "You've got to look at this place," Biscardi said. "It's prehistoric. It looks like something straight out of Jurassic Park."

The producers will try to sell the show to cable television outlets. If it isn't picked up, the expedition could be turned into a DVD, said Robert Barrows, a spokesman for the project.

But Biscardi is already drawing the ire of other Bigfoot enthusiasts. Craig Woolheater, chairman of the Texas Bigfoot Research Conservancy, which has annual conferences in Jefferson, does not condone Biscardi's methods, which he says "are produced for the sake of media coverage or for commercial purposes."

"This expedition is not a scientific expedition in my opinion; from what I understand it is being filmed for a reality-TV show entitled Capturing Bigfoot," Woolheater wrote in an e-mail. "As such, the TBRC is in no way, shape or form, affiliated with the very controversial Tom Biscardi."

Biscardi says he is often the only person willing to go out to people who have been traumatized by Bigfoot encounters. And he has never denied that he lives off his Bigfoot earnings.

But if by some chance Biscardi is successful, what will he do with Bigfoot? "We've got two compounds at undisclosed locations where we'll conduct studies for 90 days, then release it back where we found it, I promise," Biscardi said.

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Pilots, UFOs and Job Discrimination

By Don Allis, Feb 1, 2007

<http://www.nationalledger.com/cgi-bin/artman/exec/view.cgi?archive=9&num=11327>

Has it been standard practice for major airlines to discourage their pilots from reporting a UFO sighting and/or going public by implying to them, in some way, that their jobs and pensions could be in jeopardy by them doing so? This is probably not something that the airlines would admit to, but we have all heard of such intimidations and fear factors to quiet employees from coming forth with reports.

We can only speculate that they practice such procedures in fear of scaring away perspective customers from using their airline service so they can remain competitive. They may also not want to be perceived by the public or their rivals as the joke airline, which employs mentally unstable pilots who are prone to seeing little green men.

Pilots, UFOs and Job Discrimination

We also don't know just how much this practice is influenced by governments who want to maintain cover-ups in order to keep the general populace ignorant to the truth of the existence of UFOs.

Pilot Commentaries: from NARCAP - National Aviation Reporting Center on Anomalous Phenomena: <http://www.narcap.org/>

"We didn't say anything. We figured nobody would believe us." - Charter Pilot

"Upon return to my domicile, JFK, I reported our sighting to the proper authorities. I was shortly visited by two federal investigators who evidently thought I was hallucinating for one of them stated he had seen spaceships while fishing in Great South Bay and was quite obviously trying to prove that I was a loony." - Captain, Pan Am (ret.)

"It must have been Huge! We were all due back at JFK about the same time two days later so I waited in the crew ready room to talk to them. None of them wanted to talk! They were afraid management would take them off of flying status and have them tested for booze and drugs. The story never came out!" - Flight Engineer, TWA (ret.)

"a group of lights in the air appeared at our 12o'clock position. I called departure control and asked them if they had any traffic in that area. When they came back and said NO, what do you see, I said no, just checking. For at that time when a

pilot reported seeing a UFO he was in a lot of trouble." - Captain, Ozark Airlines (ret.)

"I, and Flight crew saw something (in broad daylight) that did things that no known aircraft could do without killing any living thing inside. I will only give sketchy details to protect the privacy of the rest of the crew. If you are interested, and all information (is) kept anonymous, contact me. I will not present myself for public ridicule." - Captain, NW (ret.)

"Reports to NARCAP of UAP observations and incidents are riddled with this type of commentary. Over and over again conservative, responsible airmen are heard to say that they fear that their competency will be questioned, that their careers will suffer, that they will be humiliated for reporting their observations. A serious result of these fears is inaccurate or incomplete data regarding potential hazards." - Ted Roe

Read Ted Roe's complete report can be read here: <http://www.narcap.org/reports/TR8Bias1.htm>

Are any of the larger national UFO groups, such as MUFON, affiliated with attorneys that will work pro bono? This is a very important question to be answered and needs to be brought to serious consideration.

Is it possible to encourage pilots and other airline employees to publicly come forward with their sighting reports if one or more of these national UFO groups would back them in the courts with one or a team of attorneys that are willing to work pro bono? I believe this to be possible and very plausible. We have now reached a point of having enough universal forces and power in ufology to pull together and fight such threats against these employers. There must be many attorneys who have had sightings and/or encounters of their own and are very open to what is going on within ufology and many who are already MUFON members who would love to be able sink their teeth into a bureaucratic government bully.

If this can be done, then it is possible to reverse the FAA policy of discrimination on such practices, which would then start freeing up pilot testimonies, so that pilots will start coming forward with sighting reports. Assembling a team of attorneys that will go after cases with the appetite of voracious tigers and bring legal action to the forefront and the attention of the international press may just be the catalyst that we need. By

bringing enough attention to the public through the media that is being focused directly onto the airlines, this may be enough to cause them international embarrassment. It would also focus attention on them, which they would prefer not to be made public. It then just may be possible to bring disclosure a step closer to reality by opening up a new wealth of very credible witnesses. This would make it harder for the governments to continue to discredit pilots sighting reports and to continue with their denial of the truth.

Many will have their doubts that we can rely on the mass media for honest and unbiased reporting. However I believe we can start changing the medias views through the pressure from public opinions and educating the press with the overwhelming data that is available. Sure it has been a tough job in doing so, but worldwide acceptance of ufology, and its need to hear more balanced reporting, and the undeniable mountains of data will be the catalyst to sway the press.

The O'Hare airport story that broke a short time back may be a breaking point of the major press starting to open up once again and provide fair press coverage into this phenomenon that they have chuckled at and belittled for far to long. By the UFO groups backing legal action against employers that would threaten their employees job security and bringing legal actions to the attention of someone in the press like Jon Hilkevitch, the Chicago Tribune's transportation reporter who covered and broke the O'Hare story, then it is possible to have the news coverage spread internationally, like what occurred with the O'Hare story. It is only then that the world's attention will be forced into taking such cases seriously, which would unleash a barrage of embarrassment directed at the FAA and any major airline that tried to discredit an employee with threats of possible job and security loss.

It is my belief that the new world acceptance into the belief that we are not alone, for their growing mistrust for governments and their need to know the truth will garner enough support, financially and morally, to wager legal counter attacks against such bureaucratic bullies that have used their power in the past to quiet any reputable witnesses from coming forward. However this has been handled in the past, it now must include the world media to bring attention and embarrassments to these bullies who have so ruthlessly controlled us with their intimidations. We, as Ufologist, are very

capable of being a reckoning force by pulling together as one union to fight these shameful discrimination attacks if we can only bring the media to our side. I think this is a plausible goal we can set for ourselves. Let us start focusing on educating the media with the available data, so we can bring their views into the proper perspective of the truth.

There is more than enough data available, it is just presenting it to right people in the media and getting them to digest it in order to start turning the tide that will open the floodgates in our favor. This and of itself is enough power to bring the world together to be able to demand more cooperation from our governments to stop harassments and threats against their employees.

The more of these very credible witnesses that are able to come forward, then the more the press will take notice, which in turn will encourage more witnesses to come forward until there is a non-stoppable force flow that no governments will then be able to control. We are a growing force in ufology that is capable, by coming together as one powerful group, to defend all who want to speak out openly and report on their experience so that the world will now start coming to grips with the reality we live in and to just what that reality is.

**Film Mixes Christianity with UFO's
by Kevin Jackson, Christian Post
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http://www.christianpost.com/article/20070227/26049_Film_Mixes_Christianity_with_UFOs.htm

A creative new movie released by Five and Two Pictures merges two worlds that have never been seen before together - UFOs and Christianity.

Unidentified, written and produced by Christian director Rich Christiano, attempts to fuse these unique subjects while still promoting a Christian message.

“The subject of UFOs is interesting but also very confusing,” Christiano said in a release. “This film aims to bring some rhyme and reason to this subject from a biblical perspective.”

The production tries to deal with UFO issues such as whether they are hoaxes, if aliens are real and a threat, and whether they play into the end times.

The plot follows the story of two investigative reporters who are assigned to an unusual topic. While driving home, a 38-year-old man was allegedly taken from his vehicle and abducted by aliens. The two journalists must reveal the truth to this claim. One considers the assertion while the other rejects it. Along the way, they are both caught off guard by what they find.

The cast includes many newcomers including Christian superstar Rebecca St. James in a supporting role.

In the Christian community, the film has been receiving a lot of praise as being stimulating as well as Christ-centered.

“Unidentified is very thought-provoking and will hold your attention all the way to the end,” explained Tom Saab, director for Christian Film Festivals of America, in a release. “This movie will enlighten, challenge and motivate everyone who sees it to follow the Lord. It certainly gives you something to think about.”

The movie can now be purchased on DVD.
More on the web: www.UnidentifiedTheMovie.com.

Navy Shot at UFO in 1896
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Navy Shot at UFO in 1896
Portsmouth, New Hampshire Naval Yard 1896

Picture this: you are standing on a small wooden bridge that leads from the shore to a wooden dock in the Piscataqua River in Portsmouth, NH. The year is 1896. You are guarding a United States Navy ship that is tied up to the dock. It is dark and the air is still and chilly. All you hear is the slight slapping of the water on the dock and the creaking of the boards you are standing on.

You have the latest and best rifle in your hands and you are getting a chill from the river breeze in the cool night air. The ship is tied to the dock and once in a while you hear the creaking noise of the old wood that the ship is tied up to.

All of a sudden the man who is guarding the navy ship calls out to you. "Hey what is this?" There,

coming down the river and heading for the ocean is a silent object that looks like a white/yellowish oblong flying thing. It is flying, but has silent: you don't hear a sound, except the slight slapping of the waves on the pier and the ship. It is getting closer. What to do? Do you fire at it or just watch in awe and amazement of the "something" flying and coming at you and the ship?

There is no one to call or ask. The object is getting closer. It is almost over your head. As it gets nearer and closer you look at each other and decide this thing, nobody has seen before and you get panicky. What to do? So both men bring their guns up and fire at the object as it passes over their heads.

You hear the bullets hit the object. The sharp ping, ping on the metal surface. Now the object brightens up and silently gains speed and heads down the river and out to sea. Both men look at each other in bewilderment. One of the guards runs to get a superior officer. As the officer and the other servicemen run back they witness the White-yellowish silent object head out to sea. This is something that no one, not even an officer, has ever seen before.

The object that two armed navy men shot at and hit was still flying. It continued making no noise and appeared to have no engine or wings. No one has ever seen any thing like that before. It was reported to the base commander. He doesn't believe what he is hearing! A flying object, completely silent and all the servicemen heard was the sound of the bullets bouncing off its hull. The officer tells the navy admiral and the admiral gets the testimony of all three men who swear to the incident in written statements. Remember it is 1896.

I read the report of this sighting in the archives of the Portsmouth Herald Newspaper dated November of 1896.

The United States had nothing flying in the air in 1896, so what was it? We might never know, or now, do we?

Publisher's Note: Read more about the history of UFOS in the 1800s by reading an excellent article by B J Booth, Before the Wright Brothers...There Were UFOs.

More UFO Sightings 1896 - Newspapers carried a growing number of reports of airship experiments, setting off the "Airship Hysteria" of 1896-97. There

was an increase in airship patent applications in the late 1890s. Samuel Pierpont Langley tested his first aeroplane model on May 6, 1896. Swedish explorer Solomon Andree made an unsuccessful attempt at an Arctic balloon trip May 31. William Paul crashed his airship Albatross in September. The Sacramento Bee reported Nov. 17 that three New York men would attempt to fly an airship to California, and over the next several days hundreds of reports of airship sightings came in from people around Sacramento.

Another wave of hundreds of sightings took place from January to May in 1897. Most of the sightings were at night during the winter months, started in California and spread east, and were fueled by sensationalistic newspaper stories. William Randolph Hearst published an editorial in his San Francisco Examiner, Dec. 5, 1896, critical of this sensationalism: " 'Fake journalism' has a good deal to answer for, but we do not recall a more discernible exploit in that line than the persistent attempt to make the public believe that the air in this vicinity is populated with airships. It has been manifest for weeks that the whole airship story is pure myth." (quoted in Frazier p. 20) Source: www.sandiego.edu.

A Triangular Shape Hovering And Missing Time

<http://www.hbccufo.org/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=2196>

Moose Lake Area, Minnesota
United States Reports Posted: March 13, 2007
Date: 2002 Time: 11:00 - 11:30 p.m.

I also wanted to pass along another thing that happened to me in 2002. I was on my way up to see a friend in Two Harbors, Mn. It was a Thursday night and I left the house at 10:00 p.m. I was about an hour and a half into the trip which put me up around the Moose Lake area. Being 11:30 p.m. on a Thursday night I was the only thing on the road. Up in the distance I could see what I thought to be an emergency vehicle on the shoulder. The closer I got I see it was up in the air off past the fence running along the highway. The object was around 200 feet off the ground and was a triangle shape. It had a light on each corner and they were alternating red, blue and green. There was also a dome shaped thing on the bottom that was also lit up and looked like mother of pearl. It looked like it was liquid and was mixing or oozing around in there.

I stopped the car on the shoulder and got out. I leaned on the roof of the car and watched it for what I would guess to be about 5 to 10 minutes. It then started to move off to the east and I got back in the car and continued on to my friends house. I should have arrived there at 12:30 a.m. or so. When I got there all the lights were off and I had to wake him. He came to the door and said "What the heck took you so long?" "Do you know what time it is?" He said."It's 2:30". I told him that I had not stopped anywhere except for a couple minutes to watch these strange lights. He just thought I was jerking his chain. I got back home on that Sunday and told my wife about the lights and drew her a picture of what I had observed.

She thought that it was pretty weird and folded the drawing up and put it in her jewelry box. Then in 2004 we had all kinds of crazy sightings as you know. I was on the internet and happened across Jerry Pippins web site and when I clicked on his area called UFO FILES. Up popped the same triangle thing I had seen. It's the same thing that Darrell Barker the police officer witnessed. The other night I was at the hotel my wife works at and happened to run into a lady that mentioned she is from the Moose Lake area. I couldn't help telling her about the sighting. She just smiled and told me that her husband was the Chief of Highway Patrol (retired). She went on to tell me that two officers had reported the same thing on the east side of the highway in 2002.

Thank you to the witness for the report.

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IBM search tool targets flying saucers, ghosts and goblins

NetworkWorld.com Community Layer 8's blog

By Layer 8 on Thu, 03/08/2007

<http://www.networkworld.com/community/?q=node/12246>

Hey! Where's my flying jet car? IBM wants to help you find out if UFOs are real. Well, sort of. With UFO sightings seemingly on the rise, Big Blue is teaming with The Anomalies Network to offer UFO

Crawler, a new search engine specifically tuned to search for information about the paranormal, unexplained or just plain bizarre. The search tool employs IBM's OmniFind Yahoo! Edition enterprise search software and the UFO Crawler (<http://www.ufocrawler.com/search/>) should help users precisely target and gather information from relevant sources, including thousands of documents and files collected in the vast Anomalies Network archive, as well as multiple global resources across the Web on topics such as such as ghosts, conspiracy theories and extraterrestrials, the companies said in a statement. Previously, using a conventional Web search engine, a search on a term such as Area 51, for example--would return thousands of irrelevant and inaccurate results, the companies said.

The companies hope to tap a growing national interest in UFOs and all things odd. Indeed UFO sighting do seem to be on the rise. For example: * In February at Chicago's O'Hare Airport, pilots, managers and mechanics at the United Airlines terminal saw an odd, disc-shaped object hovering silently overhead, just below the dense cloud layer. * This week in the UK people reported an odd object floating across the moon. * Also in February calls poured in to police and TV stations after many residents of the metropolitan Phoenix region observed a line of four bright lights near the horizon.

In addition to launching UFOCrawler today, The Anomalies Network is also introducing numerous site enhancements to enable better collaboration among users as well as major performance enhancements to the site. The 10-year old Anomalies Network, touts itself as being the world's largest alternative information source. It also announced site enhancements that include new content and features to help more users contribute and collaborate and share information based on their interests. According to a press release the site will feature a new user-driven search and RSS subscriptions as well as account access also enable users to customize and view only information of interest to them. The site is also undergoing major performance improvements including the deployment of the NetliOne Platform for global site caching powered by Netli, as well as further network improvements at their state of the art datacenter hosted by Silicon Valley Web Hosting.

Paradigm Research Group Press Release - March 5, 2007

Paul Hellyer, Drudge Report, Rush Limbaugh and "Fastwalkers"

Washington, DC - In concordance with PRG's recently released Open Letter to Albert Gore, Jr., Paul Hellyer, former Canadian Defence Minister (under Lester Pearson) and Deputy Prime Minister (under Pierre Trudeau), has asserted that suppressed technology derived from extraterrestrial crashed vehicles could, if disclosed, significantly impact global warming response.

This dramatic assertion was revealed on February 28 in the Ottawa Citizen, Toronto Sun and Yahoo News - three days after Al Gore accepted an Academy Award for his documentary, "An Inconvenient Truth."

On March 1 a link to the Yahoo News article appeared on the Drudge Report. That afternoon, as if on cue from the White House, Rush Limbaugh unleashed a vitriolic attack on Gore, global warming theory and Paul Hellyer.

Reporters wishing to question Mr. Hellyer directly may do so at a press conference on March 7 just prior to the Canadian premier of "Fastwalkers," a documentary about the extraterrestrial truth embargo. The press conference will be held at 5:30 pm at the De La Salle College Theatre, 131 Farnham Rd. Toronto - Canada. The film begins at 7 pm. Mr. Hellyer will also take questions after the film along with PRG Executive Director, Stephen Bassett, and "Fastwalkers" Producer, Robert Miles.

Links:

Ottawa Citizen article:

www.canada.com/ottawacitizen/news/story.html?id=3e57926c-bfeb-4ff3-acf6-50c575ee996c

Toronto Sun article:

<http://torontosun.com/News/OtherNews/2007/02/28/3676270-sun.html>

Yahoo News article:

http://news.yahoo.com/s/afp/20070228/od_afp/canadaenvironment_kyoto_070228180440

Fastwalkers: www.fastwalkers.com

Open Letter to Albert Gore, Jr.:

www.paradigmresearchgroup.org/Open_Letter_Gore_1-29-07.htm

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April meeting program

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April 14, 2007: Celebrating 20 years of MUFON meetings in MN

Welcome and opening remarks Richard Moss

Joining us today as Guest Speaker - TED PHILLIPS
Founder and Director of the Center for Physical Trace Research.

In his 40+ years investigating UFO landings and sightings Mr. Phillips has compiled over 3100 cases. The presentation today will consist of several of his best cases and a sampling of his newest cases.

Break – Refreshments provided
Drawings for door prizes
Craig Lang will be signing copies of his book “The Cosmic Bridge”
Ted will have DVDs of his best cases available to purchase.

After the break, Ted will be available for Question and Answer Session / Group Discussion.

Meetings are held 1:30 – 5:00pm at the New Brighton Family Service Center, 400 10th St. NW, New Brighton, MN 55112. For more information or driving directions www.mnmufon.org Suggested donation - \$5 per person.

New BLT report re relationship of UFOs & crop circles by Nancy Talbott

bltresearch@comcast.net 28 Feb 2007

We've just posted a new report on the EYEWITNESS REPORTS page at BLT, regarding a Polish witness' account of a UFO and "humanoids" directly involved in the occurrence of a crop circle. Report includes photos and drawings by the witness of the UFO and the entities he encountered,

with many details. You can also access the new report through the UPDATES page on www.bltresearch.com.

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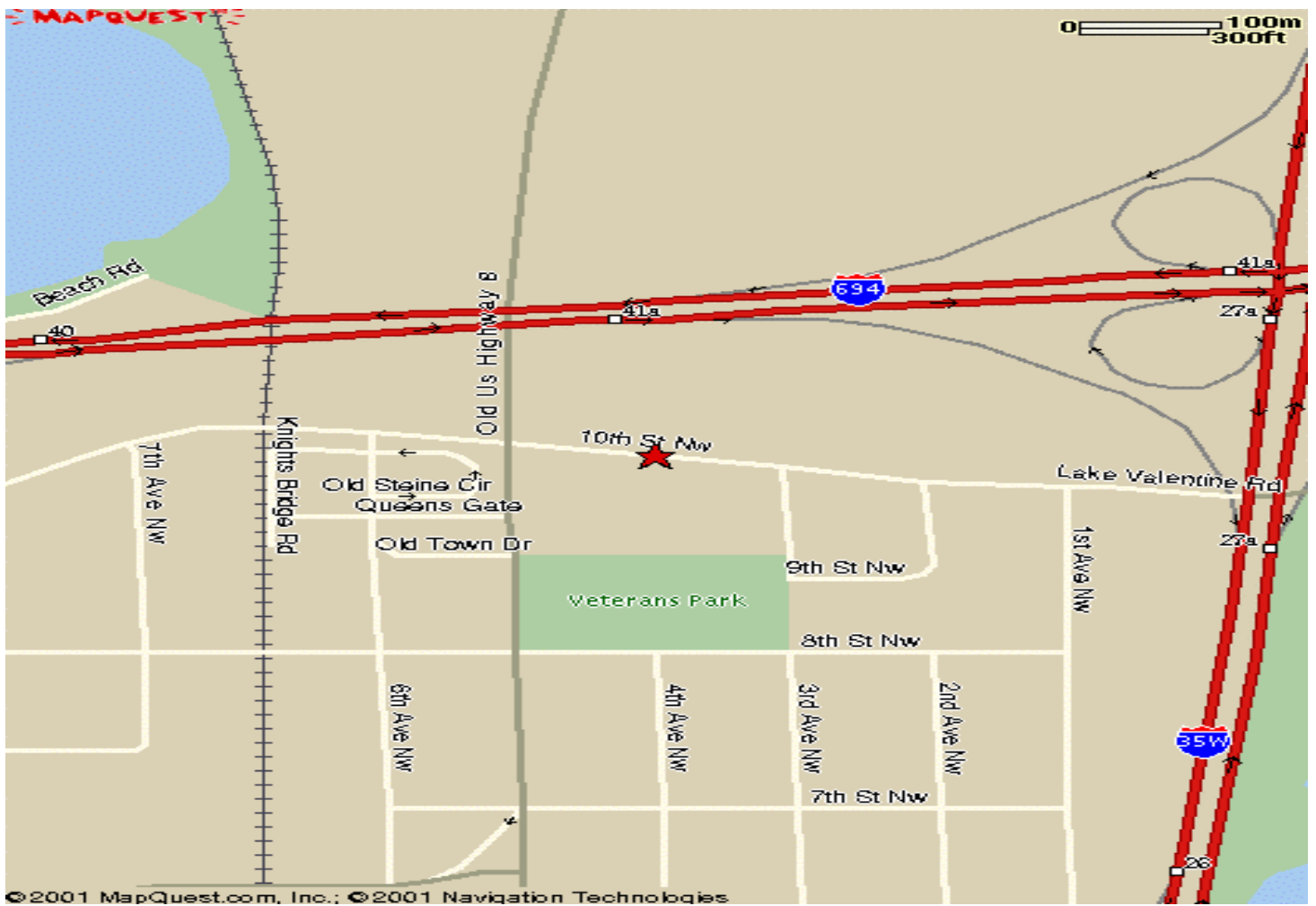
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